EXAMPLE OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OBJECTIVES:

SKILLS

• The art of a good interview. I want to learn how to interview suspects, victims, and witnesses effectively.
• To understand and be able to apply a basic understanding of the laws and Regulations that law enforcement officers must abide by.
• To see how to investigate a crime scene effectively and efficiently.
• To conduct phone interviews and collect information for cases over the phone.
• To learn the elements of good investigation.
• To learn what it takes to be a good investigator.
• To learn how to adapt to new developments and information. How to shift gears from one thought pattern to another with new developments in a case.
• To be able to do multiple things at the same time.

KNOWLEDGE

• A basic understanding of what law enforcement and detective work is about.
• To be able to write reports and letters for cases.
• To learn how to put together and execute a search warrant.
• To have the knowledge about where to go with a case and what to do next.
• To learn the elements in good interviewing of suspects, witnesses, and victims. Any similarities and differences between interviewing different types of people.
• I want to observe an autopsy, if at all possible, to see how they can figure out elements of the crime through an autopsy.
• To see how law enforcement officers interact with the public, and how they deal with different situations and people.

SELF-AWARENESS

• To be able to cope with the stress that comes with dealing with other people’s problems day after day.
• To learn from my mistakes, and be open to new ideas and ways of doing things.
• To have patience and show compassion towards others, especially those who are different from me.
• To be acceptable towards other people and their life styles. To realize that not everyone was brought up the same way that I was, but that doesn’t make them wrong and me right. We are just different.
• To realize that I may not always be able to help someone who really needs my help. That I don’t always have the right answers.
• To know when to step back and admit that I can’t handle something.
• Not to take on more than I can handle. Understand that I am only one person and can only handle so much.