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Captain graduates from FBI National Academy

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NORTH CHARLESTON, S.C. – Capt. Fletcher Ferguson of the Charleston County Sheriff's Office on Thursday graduated from the prestigious FBI National Academy in Quantico, Va.

Ferguson, who oversees training at CCSO, was one of 258 graduates who hailed from 45 states and the District of Columbia, 32 countries, five military organizations and six federal civilian organizations.

"While I am incredibly appreciative of the opportunity I was given for this amazing experience, I'm equally excited about getting back home to my family and the agency I love," Ferguson said. "The value of an experience such as this cannot be understated."

Sheriff Kristin Graziano attended the graduation ceremony. "I am so proud of Capt. Ferguson," she said. "I know he will take what he learned at the FBI National Academy, implement it here at the agency and only make us stronger."

The National Academy offers 10 weeks of advanced communication, leadership and fitness training. FBI Academy instructors, special agents and other staff with advanced degrees provide the training; many instructors are recognized internationally in their fields.

Participants must have proven records as professionals within their agencies. Ferguson, a graduate of The Citadel, has been with CCSO since 2003 and has served in a variety of positions. Along with leading the Training Division, he now serves as assistant commander of the SWAT team and commander of the Honor Guard.

Ferguson was nominated by CCSO to attend, and completed a written application, medical examination and physical fitness test before his acceptance.

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A total of 53,181 graduates have completed the FBI National Academy since it began in 1935. The National Academy is held at the FBI Training Academy in Quantico, the same facility where the FBI trains its new special agents and intelligence analysts.



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