Yurii M. Kramarenko. Some issues of training specialists in the field of law enforcement activities. The article focuses on the professional requirements for persons who carry out law enforcement activities. The questions of higher education in the specialty «law enforcement activities» are considered.

The functional responsibilities and personal qualities of investigators of pre-trial investigation bodies and employees of operational units are analyzed. Generalizations are made regarding the working conditions of law enforcement officers. Conclusions are drawn regarding the lack of significant differences in the training of investigators and operational unit employees. The need for a mutual understanding of the essence of the work of the investigator and the operative officer is expressed.

The problematic issues are identified that relate to the uncertainty of employment of graduates of the specialty «law enforcement activities», the experience of the position of an investigator to legal professions, as well as the lack of using the calculation of the norms of time spent for investigators of pre-trial investigation bodies and employees of operational units.

The article suggests two ways out of the uncertain state of graduates of the specialty «law enforcement activities»: 1) the classification of the specialty «law enforcement activities» as a legal education; 2) amending the legislation regarding the requirements of higher education for investigators of pre-trial investigation bodies - to provide for the possibility of having a higher education in the specialty «law» and «law enforcement activities». Work experience as an investigator should be counted as work experience in the field of law, regardless of the specialty received.

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