



Training Schedule

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These are State Certified Courses, thus no more than 10% of class time may be missed, even with instructor approval, to receive course credit!

Course	Location	Date	Register
Fundamentals of Realistic De-Escalation (FSI) – 8 Hour	Kankakee County Sheriff's Office	Monday May 12, 2025	Register
FULL LE Defensive Driving for Sedans, SUV's & Pick-up Trucks	Autobahn-Country Club	Tuesday May 13, 2025	Register
Mental Health First Aid	Kankakee County Sheriff's Office	Wednesday May 14, 2025	Register
Crime Scene Photography - BLTD	Romeoville PD	Thurs. – Fri. May 15 – 16, 2025	Register
FULL Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (Drones) in Law Enforcement	JJC, Weitendorf Agricultural Center	Mon. – Thurs. May 19 – 22, 2025	Register
FULL Crime Scene Investigation 2	Will County Sheriff's Office	Mon. – Fri. May 19 – 23, 2025	Register
FULL LE Defensive Driving for Sedans, SUV's & Pick-up Trucks	Autobahn-Country Club	Tuesday May 20, 2025	Register
Investigating Child Physical Abuse and Death 16 Hour - Hillgoth	Romeoville PD	Thurs. – Fri. May 22 – 23, 2025	Register
FULL 32 Hour IPMBA Police Cyclist Course	JJC, Weitendorf Agricultural Center	Tues. – Fri. May 27 – 30, 2025	Register

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FULL LE Defensive Driving for Sedans, SUV's & Pick-up Trucks	Autobahn-Country Club	Thursday May 29, 2025	Register
FULL Tactical Emergency Casualty Care	Plainfield PD	Thursday May 29, 2025	Register
Tactical Emergency Casualty Care	Plainfield PD	Friday May 30, 2025	Register
Instructor Development Course – 40 Hour	Kankakee County Sheriff's Office	Mon. – Fri. June 2 – 6, 2025	Register
FULL LE Defensive Driving for Sedans, SUV's & Pick-up Trucks	Autobahn-Country Club	Tuesday June 3, 2025	Register
ILETSB – SRO Recertification - Butts	Plainfield PD	Thurs. – Fri. June 5 – 6, 2025	Register
FULL LE Defensive Driving for Sedans, SUV's & Pick-up Trucks	Autobahn-Country Club	Tuesday June 10, 2025	Register
Media Relations for Law Enforcement (RAR)	Plainfield PD	Tuesday, June 10, 2025	Register
POSTPONED Brill Law Enforcement Action in Democracy (LEAD) – 4 Hour	Plainfield PD	Wednesday June 11, 2025	Register
Proactive Patrol Tactics and Terrorism Intelligence Gathering Vehicle Stops	Plainfield PD	Thurs. – Fri. June 12 – 13, 2025	Register
Death Investigation	Mokena PD	Monday June 16, 2025	Register
IDNR Explosives Safety, Recognition and Handling Course	Morris PD	Tuesday June 17, 2025	Register

Avoiding Preventable Use of Force	Plainfield Fire Protection District HQ	Wednesday June 18, 2025	Register
Animal Cruelty and its Link to Domestic Violence	Romeoville PD	Thursday June 19, 2025	Register
FULL Ballistic Shield Instructor Course—40 hour	Plainfield PD & Joliet Country Club	Mon.—Fri. July 28—Aug. 1, 2025	Register
Criminal Procedure for Detectives and Patrol Officers	Will County Sheriff's Office	Monday August 4, 2025	Register
ILETSB – School Resource Officer Training by Butts	Plainfield PD	Mon. – Fri. August 4 – 8, 2025	Register
Building a Better Police Report	Lockport PD	Wednesday August 6, 2025	Register
Acting Patrol Officer in Charge	Mokena PD	Thurs. – Fri. August 7 – 8, 2025	Register
The Legal and Justifiable Use of Force - Pavletic	Will County Sheriff's Office	Monday August 11, 2025	Register
Sexual Assault Investigator Training (Day-2)	New Lenox PD	Friday August 15, 2025	Register
Non-Escalation & De-Escalation Scenario-Based Training	Plainfield PD	Wednesday August 20, 2025	Register
Writing Effective Search Warrants, Report Writing & Effective Courtroom Testimony	New Lenox PD	Monday August 25, 2025	Register
LE Defensive Driving for Sedans, SUV's & Pick-up Trucks	Autobahn Country Club	Tuesday September 2, 2025	Register

LE Defensive Driving for Sedans, SUV's & Pick-up Trucks	Autobahn Country Club	Tuesday September 9, 2025	Register
LE Defensive Driving for Sedans, SUV's & Pick-up Trucks	Autobahn Country Club	Tuesday September 16, 2025	Register
Basic Marine Law Enforcement Officer Training	Will County Sheriff's Office	Tues. – Thurs. Sept. 16 – 18, 2025	Register
Adaptive Decision Making for Law Enforcement	New Lenox PD	Friday September 19, 2025	Register
Exploring the Sexual & Violent Offender	Plainfield Fire Protection District HQ	Mon. – Tues. Sept. 22 – 23, 2025	Register
LE Defensive Driving for Sedans, SUV's & Pick-up Trucks	Autobahn Country Club	Tuesday September 23, 2025	Register
LE Defensive Driving for Sedans, SUV's & Pick-up Trucks	Autobahn Country Club	Tuesday September 30, 2025	Register

FULL ~~Basic Crisis Negotiations-40 Hours~~ **FULL**

Mokena Police Department
10300 W. 191st St., Mokena, IL. 60448
Monday-Friday, May 5-9, 2025
8:00 am till 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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| • Crisis Intervention | 9.0 Hours | |
| • Emergency Medical Response Training | 2.0 Hours | |
| • Legal Updates | 1.0 Hour | |
| • Officer Wellness/Mental Health | 1.0 Hour | |
| • Procedural Justice | 5.0 Hours | |
| • De-escalation Techniques | 5.0 Hours | (5.0 Hours Scenario-Based) |
| • Officer Safety Techniques | 5.0 Hours | (5.0 Hours Scenario-Based) |

Course Description: This basic 40-hour course will assist departments in developing individuals to become crisis/hostage negotiators. Students will examine basic philosophy and principles of crisis/hostage negotiation theory, concepts, and general guidelines, including an exploration of the psychological and physiological aspects of hostage negotiation situations.

Course topics include:

- Principles of mediation
- Crisis intervention
- Tactical response to police hostage situations
- Psychological issues
- Suicide intervention
- Communication skills
- Legal and policy issues
- Intelligence
- Command issues
- Police stress
- Types of mental illness
- De-escalation strategies
- Role of the negotiator during an incident
- Safety considerations
- SWAT team and patrol coordination

Additionally, the main goal of this course is to provide student officers with appropriate communication skills needed to safely and effectively diffuse each type of crisis/hostage negotiation situation that could potentially be faced in the field.

Instructor: Michael Wargo served over twenty-seven years with the Illinois State Police. His entire career has been in the investigative section of ISP. His investigative assignments have included narcotics, white-collar crime and counter terrorism. Mr. Wargo has been assigned to the Crisis Negotiation Team since its inception in 1984. He has worked in the Communication Center and his current duties include Crisis Negotiation Coordinator for the northern third of the State of Illinois. **(CONTINUED)**

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Prior to his retirement from ISP in November 2002, he was assigned as the Illinois State Police representative to the Joint Terrorism Task Force in Chicago, Illinois. Mr. Wargo has written and published more than 50 articles on the subjects of crisis negotiation, suicide intervention, dignitary protection and terrorism. His special assignments have included the 1989 National Governors' Conference, the 1994 World Cup Matches and the 1996 Democratic National Convention. Mr. Wargo has received numerous awards and commendations from police agencies throughout the Midwest. He is the lead Hostage Negotiation, Terrorism and Suicide recognition and Intervention Instructor for KEBCOR.com's programs to Police and Dispatchers. He has extensive experience in training all levels of police, security and military personnel.

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

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Fundamentals of Realistic De-Escalation (FSI) – 8 Hour

Kankakee County Sheriff's Office

3000 S. Justice Way, Kankakee, IL. 60901

Monday; May 12, 2025

8:00 am till 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

- Crisis Intervention 0.50 Hours
- De-escalation Techniques 7.00 Hours (1.00 Hour Scenario Based)

Course Description:

Members of the law enforcement profession have come under intense pressure in recent years to prioritize efforts at employing de-escalation techniques in force encounters. Fundamentals of Realistic De-Escalation is a one-day course describing the often-challenging expectations placed on law enforcement officers that they gain compliance without using physical force. Oftentimes, not using physical force at all may not be realistic or safe. The legitimate goal of de-escalation tactics is to resolve problems with minimal use of force.

This course presents concepts and methods to support de-escalation efforts when personal connections can be made. Participants will be provided with knowledge to apply in real-world situations. This includes learning ways to address the needs of people in a state of a mental health crisis, or those whose perception of reality is altered. Worst-case scenarios in these types of situations can end with harm to the officer, bystanders or the subject, and scenarios such as suicide by cop further complicate the picture for responding officers.

Topics include:

- Articulate what "de-escalation" actually means, what its objectives are and in what situations they can and cannot consider it.
- Discuss the tactical principles of de-escalation, risk assessment and decision-making.
- Quickly evaluate an interaction to determine whether de-escalation is reasonable to consider, tactically practical and likely to be successful.
- Apply concepts from the Force Science approach, such as the "Response-ability Zone" and the "7 Ts De-Escalation Evaluation Model" to evaluate tactics that are needed or likely to be successful in supporting a de-escalation process.
- Make better connections, establish rapport and use effective principles of persuasion when dealing with difficult subjects, including those who are mentally ill, through the application of the "Behavior Influence Stairway Model."
- Enhance de-escalation efforts by strategically combining human performance research findings, observations of subject behavior and psychological tactics for negotiation and influence.
- Apply the "Thought/Emotion Behavior" (TEB) Matrix to quickly recognize whether a subject is in "conflict," "crisis" or has "contaminated" thinking, and therefore which strategies of persuasion are most likely to be effective. **(CONTINUED)**

- Better ensure that officers' approach and control strategies maximize their response options while minimizing the potential for unnecessary emotional or physical escalation.
- Balance the desirability of trying to resolve a conflict peacefully with the need to maintain officer and public safety.
- Recognize and list common barriers to effective communication that officers often use unintentionally, promoting better practices such as active listening.
- Discuss how professional de-escalation techniques embrace the concepts of "fair and impartial" and "rightful policing" principles.
- Assist investigators and other personnel reviewing uses of force to recognize the pivotal behavioral and situational factors that must go into an assessment of whether de-escalation efforts might have been feasible or potentially effective.
- Help community members and media outlets better understand what realistic de-escalation entails and the challenges that subjects may present that can inhibit, if not prohibit, an officer's ability to safely de-escalate.

Instructor(s):

Will be supplied by the Force Science Institute

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(Members receive priority in registration)

~~LE Defensive Driving for Sedans, SUV's~~
FULL **~~& Pick-up Trucks~~** **FULL**

Autobahn Country Club of Joliet
3795 Centerpoint Way; Joliet, IL 60436
Tuesday; May 13, 2025
8:00 am till 5:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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| • Civil Rights | 0.5 Hour |
| • Const. Use of LE Authority | 0.5 Hour |
| • Officer safety techniques, including cover, concealment, and time | 2.0 Hours (2.0 Hours Scenario-Based) |

In an effort to allow equal training opportunities, all "Member" Officers who have not taken this course will receive priority over those who have, unless their department requests an exception.

Course Description: With rising insurance, repair, and medical costs, reducing or preventing law enforcement accidents is crucial for officer safety, and that of the public they protect. The professional instructors at Autobahn have developed an extensive one day driving program that covers skills training typically found in a multiple day program.

In the classroom, officers will learn the following concepts of driving safety:

- How cars react under emergency environments
- The basics of car control
- Common mistakes of other drivers on the road
- How to avoid accidents in the first place
- Controlling adrenaline
- Maintaining a high level of awareness
- Minimizing the effects of distractions

Throughout the rest of the day, officers will be placed in common emergency situations in a controlled, safe environment designed to replicate common emergency scenarios.

These drills will cover:

- Braking in low traction conditions (rain, snow, etc.)
- Emergency lane change techniques
- Vehicle dynamics training
- Skid control recovery

❖ *To facilitate this one-day program, breakfast and lunch are provided on site.*

Requirements:

➤ **At least one department squad car, SUV, or Pick-up truck is required for every two officers (from the same department) and will be used in the training.**

➤ In order to maximize training, class size is limited to 12 officers.

➤ Officers are required to check-in at the front security/information gate house.

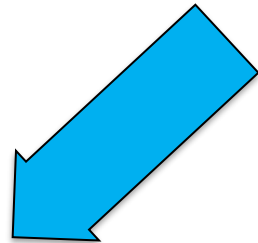
Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(members receive priority)

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Mental Health First Aid

Kankakee County Sheriff's Office
3000 S. Justice Way, Kankakee, IL. 60901
Wednesday; May 14, 2025
8:00 am till 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

- Crisis Intervention 3.5 Hours
- Procedural Justice 2.0 Hours
- De-escalation Techniques 1.5 Hours (1.5 Hours Scenario-Based)

Course Description: Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) for Adults is an evidence-based program designed to teach police officers and first responders how to identify, understand, and respond to signs of mental health challenges or crises in adults. This 8-hour course provides officers with practical tools to assist individuals in need, de-escalate potentially volatile situations, and support overall community well-being. By enhancing mental health literacy and crisis response capabilities, this training promotes safer, more informed interactions between law enforcement and the communities they serve. MHFA equips individuals with the skills to recognize and respond to signs of mental health challenges or crises, such as anxiety, depression, substance use, or suicidal ideation.

Topics include:

- Understanding mental health and substance use disorders.
- Recognizing risk factors and warning signs of mental health issues.
- The impact of mental health on law enforcement interactions.
- Overview of the Mental Health First Aid Action Plan (ALGEE):
 - **A**ssess for risk of suicide or harm.
 - **L**isten non-judgmentally.
 - **G**ive reassurance and information.
 - **E**ncourage professional help.
 - **E**ncourage self-help strategies.
- Crisis response strategies, including de-escalation techniques.
- Connecting individuals to community resources and professional services.

Goals of the MHFA Class:

- Equip officers with the tools to identify and respond effectively to mental health challenges.
- Reduce stigma surrounding mental health within law enforcement and the community.
- Promote officer and public safety by fostering understanding and compassion.
- Strengthen community trust through informed, empathetic interactions.
- Understanding Mental Health: Basic information on mental health disorders, risk factors, and prevalence.
- Crisis and Non-Crisis Response: Training on handling crises (e.g., panic attacks, suicidal thoughts) and supporting ongoing mental health management.

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Instructor:

Valerie Melendez holds a Bachelor's degree in Psychology of Human Relations and is passionate about reducing the stigma surrounding mental health. Valerie is dedicated to educating and supporting first responders to embed peer support programs within their agencies. Currently pursuing a Master's in Social Work with a focus on community service and crisis intervention, Valerie also serves as the Suicide Prevention First Responder Program Coordinator at Iroquois Mental Health Center. Additionally, Valerie sits on the board of a nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting children left behind by suicide. With several years of experience educating people on suicide prevention and the importance of mental health, Valerie emphasizes practical tools and peer-driven solutions to improve mental health outcomes for those in high-stress professions.

Member Tuition: None**Non-Member Tuition: None**

(Members receive priority in registration)

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Crime Scene Photography - BLTD

Romeoville Police Department
1050 West Romeo Road, Romeoville, IL. 60446
Thursday-Friday; May 15-16, 2025
8:00 am till 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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| • Civil Rights | 1.0 Hour |
| • Const. Use of LE Authority | 2.0 Hours |
| • Legal Updates | 0.5 Hour |
| • Procedural Justice | 6.0 Hours |
| • Lead Homicide Investigator | 16.0 Hours (5.0 Hours Scenario-Based) |

Course Description: This course is designed for patrol officers, detectives, investigators, evidence technicians and CSIs. Officers will review camera and photography basics before exploring crime scene photography as it relates to the documentation of scenes involving vehicles, buildings, residences, outdoor crime scenes, and low light/no light crime scenes. Evidential and analytical photography for forensic analysis will be demonstrated and practiced during this course. Officers will review the history, advances, and new technology in crime scene digital photography. The impact of these techniques upon specific criminal investigative disciplines will also be discussed.

Topics to be addressed include:

- Introduction to the functions of a digital camera.
- Camera and Photography Basics.
- Vehicle Photography, Processing and Documentation.
- Overall Crime Scene Photography and Tent Markers for Documentation
- Crime Scene Photography of a Residence or Building
- Outdoor Crime Scene Photography
- Footwear/Tire track/Latent Fingerprint Photography
- Analytical and Evidential Photography and the Forensic Laboratory Disciplines
- Low Light/No Light Photography.
- Victim Photography to include wounds, defects, identification and body positioning.

Officers attending this training must bring: A working Digital SLR Camera, charged battery for the camera or a supply of batteries to keep it operating for course work. Two 64 GB Memory Cards, a Detachable Flash, a 5-foot Shoe Cord or Cable and a Tripod that fits the Department Camera.

Instructors: This course will be taught by Lt. Heather Hansen (ret.), Illinois State Police and Lt. Chris Collins (ret.) with Kane County Sheriff's Department.

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(members will receive priority registration)

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~~Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (Drones) in Law~~ **FULL Enforcement FULL**

JJC, Weitendorf Agricultural Education Center
17840 W. Laraway Rd., Joliet, IL 60433
Monday-Thursday, May 19-22, 2025
8:00 am till 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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| • Civil Rights | 1.0 Hour |
| • Const. Use of LE Authority | 4.0 Hours |
| • Legal Updates | 1.0 Hour |
| • Procedural Justice | 1.0 Hour |
| • Officer safety techniques | 1.0 Hour |

Course Description: This training will introduce officers to the use of Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (sUAS), commonly called “drones”, for both evidence collection and search operations. The course will cover all aspects of UAS operations, including preparations for the mandatory FAA Part 107 licensing. It will include information on the necessary waiver to fly in populated areas and night operation of drones. Hands-on experience with full-sized drones will give officers the confidence and ability to operate in a safe manner. Evidence collections in both photo and video format will be addressed, as well as the legal aspects of how to handle and store this information, as it differs from standard photo/video collection rules.

Finally, the Freedom from Drone Surveillance Act, ILCS 725/167 will be discussed to provide officers and their departments with a clear understanding about operating drones within the confines of the law, including the mandate to inform the State about maintenance and flight operations. Upon completion of this course, attendees will possess the knowledge to successfully take and pass their Part 107 FAA pilot’s exam to become a licensed pilot. They will also be able to assist in creating proper departmental policies and procedures for operating drones.

Course Objectives: Identify the following: All state and federal laws pertaining to Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (sUAS); different types of airspace; weather and weather-related conditions including cloud formations, types of fog, and wind conditions and how they play a role in the flight of a sUAS; loading and performance factors; airport and airfield standards, including left traffic patterns, METARS, TAFs, sectional charts, longitude and latitude; crew resource management, including types of attitudes, visual observers, Remote Pic, and the effects of drugs and alcohol; radio communication including 2.4 and 5 GHz, AWOS, ASOS, licensed frequencies, and CTAF; Emergency, Lost-Link, and Flyaway procedures; launch and recovery; and Plan B and C.

- ✓ Perform the procedures for: Vertical takeoff and landing, basic flight maneuvers, recording video, taking still images, autonomous flights, pre-flight and maintenance, equipment replacement, record keeping, pre-and post-flight inspection, and logbook maintenance.
- ✓ Gain the necessary knowledge and skills to test for and earn the FAA certification for sUAS Operator.
- ✓ Understand the Freedom from Drone Surveillance Act. **(CONTINUED)**

Instructor: Chris Edwards, Associate Professor at Rend Lake College, the primary instructor for this class, holds an AAS degree in Information Technology from Rend Lake College, a Bachelor's Degree in Information Technology from Southern Illinois University Carbondale, and a Master's Degree in Cybersecurity from Liberty University. He is licensed as a Remote Pilot by the FAA. Chris teaches in the Information Technology Division at Rend Lake, with an emphasis on Cybersecurity and Computer Forensics. He has developed the sUAS curriculum for the college. Chris has taught a related series of courses for over three years and has added several other courses to the curriculum.

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(members have priority in registration)

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FULL ~~Crime Scene Investigation 2~~ **FULL**

Will County Sheriff's Office / Donohue Grove Preserve
16911 W. Laraway Rd., Joliet, IL. 60433 / Donohue Rd., Wilmington, IL.

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday; May 19, 20, 22, 23, 2025, 0800-1600

****Wednesday; May 21, 2025, 1400-2200****

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

Civil Rights	0.50 Hour
Const. Use of LE Authority	0.50 Hour
Human Rights	0.50 Hour
Legal Updates	0.50 Hour
Procedural Justice	4.00 Hours
Officer safety techniques, including cover, concealment, and time	0.50 Hour (0.50 Hour Scenario-Based)
Specialized:	
Lead Homicide Investigator	40.0 Hours (0.50 Hour Scenario-Based)

Prerequisite: 40 hrs. of Basic E.T. or CSI Training

Course Description: This course is designed for Crime Scene Investigators, Detectives, and Task Force Officers. It will expose officers to advanced techniques in evidence collection, identification, and preservation. This course will incorporate field scenarios to hone or refresh the skills needed to examine and investigate major crime scenes.

Topics include:

- Latent Print Advances
- Trace and Toolmark Evidence
- Biology and DNA Advances
- Blood Patterns
- Autopsy Protocols
- Firearms/Ballistic and Trajectory Evidence
- Courtroom Testimony

Each officer must bring the following to class:

- **Lap Top Computer with USB Port**
- **Camera (per person) and Memory Card (minimum 16 GB)**
- **Tripod To Fit Camera (per person)**
- **Detachable Flash and Cord**
- **Latent Print Development Kit**
- **Set of Tent Markers #1-20**
- **Flashlight**

This training will incorporate numerous field training exercises. Days 1, 2, and 3 will be held at the Will County Sheriff's Office. May 21, 2025 class is held from 1400-2200. Days 4 and 5 will be held outdoors at the Donohue Grove Preserve on Donohue Rd., Wilmington, IL.

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Instructor: This course will be taught by Lt. Heather Hansen (ret.), Illinois State Police and Lt. Chris Collins (ret.) with Kane County Sheriff's Department.

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(members have priority in registration)

Funded in Partnership with the Illinois Law Enforcement Training & Standards Board / LHI Grant

~~LE Defensive Driving for Sedans, SUV's~~ **FULL** ~~& Pick-up Trucks~~ **FULL**

Autobahn Country Club of Joliet
3795 Centerpoint Way; Joliet, IL 60436
Tuesday; May 20, 2025
8:00 am till 5:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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| • Civil Rights | 0.5 Hour |
| • Const. Use of LE Authority | 0.5 Hour |
| • Officer safety techniques, including cover, concealment, and time | 2.0 Hours (2.0 Hours Scenario-Based) |

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- Common mistakes of other drivers on the road
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- Maintaining a high level of awareness
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These drills will cover:

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- Skid control recovery

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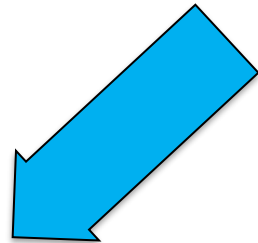
Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(members receive priority)

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Investigating Child Physical Abuse and Death 16 Hour - Hillgoth

Romeoville Police Department

1050 West Romeo Road, Romeoville, IL. 60446

Thursday & Friday, May 22-23, 2025

8:00 am till 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

• Human Rights	5.5 Hours
• Procedural Justice	2.0 Hours
• Psychology of Domestic Violence	1.0 Hour
• Reporting of Child Abuse and Neglect	6.0 Hours
• Specialized:	
○ Lead Homicide Investigator	16.0 Hours
○ Juvenile Law	2.0 Hours
○ Officer & Youth Interaction	3.0 Hours

Course Description: This course goes more in depth than the offered 8-hour course, with added discussion and exercises. It is designed to provide law enforcement officers with a comprehensive overview on various crimes against children involving child abuse. Each topic will be discussed in a way that professionals working child abuse can recognize and distinguish various offenses involving children, appreciate their unique characteristics, dispel common myths and outdated practices, discern how injuries may or may not present, understand the complexities involved and learn how to overcome the challenges these cases present. This session will also provide guidance with responses to these specific calls while acknowledging the unique characteristics and discuss how to work with an MDT (Multidisciplinary Team) for the best outcome. The importance of an adequate investigation will be highlighted on cases where victims are unable to tell their story. The focus will include real case scenarios of incident investigation, suspect interviews, child interviews, non-offending caretaker/witness interviews, crime scene evaluation and creation of timelines. The most common forms of physical abuse will be discussed, which will include bruises, burns, fractures and abusive head trauma as well as child death investigations.

Course Goals:

- Officers can recognize and distinguish offenses of child maltreatment
- Officers can appreciate how responses may appear and the unique characteristics of crimes against children, including challenges and barriers specific to child victims
- Officers will learn about Adverse Childhood Experiences, trauma informed responses and understand how these responses are related to epigenetics and long-term outcomes including intergenerational trauma responses
- Dispel common myths and outdated practices with physical abuse
- Recognize the importance of trauma informed and victim centered responses
- Discern how injuries may or may not be present
- Understand the complexities involved with evidence in physical abuse and death investigations
- Appreciate the unique judicial processes involved with crimes against children, which includes criminal court, juvenile court, family court and DCFS hearings
- Discuss the involvement of a child forensic interview, a children's advocacy center and child abuse specialists
- Learn how to overcome challenges these types of crimes present

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- Demonstrate how to identify and utilize the evidence to interpret who and what caused a child's injuries and/or death.
- Explore the necessary MDT investigative process needed to determine mechanisms behind serious abusive injuries and death investigations
- Apply medical aspects of child maltreatment to a comprehensive MDT investigation of child abuse and/or death

Instructor: Jennifer Hillgoth has been in law enforcement for 20 years and has been a detective for approx. 9 years. Jen has conducted hundreds of investigations involving crimes against children and is also a child forensic interviewer, which has afforded her the ability to conduct numerous child forensic interviews on both child victims and witnesses. Jen has provided expert witness testimony in child abuse, she is an active member on the Illinois Child Death Review Team, the Child Protection Team at Central DuPage Hospital, the Community Advisory Board with Lurie Children's Hospital in Chicago and the Family Violence Coordinating Council. Jen has provided training and education for law enforcement, medical providers, child life specialists, social workers, attorneys, DCFS, CASA, Children's Advocacy Centers and educators. She has presented for The American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children (APSAC), Children's Advocacy Centers of Illinois, Children's Advocacy Centers of Mississippi, Louisiana MDTs including Louisiana Supreme Court, CASA and Children's Advocacy Centers, Prevent Child Abuse Illinois, Family Violence Coordinating Council, Northwestern/Delnor Hospital, Lurie Children's Hospital, Child Advocacy Center of McHenry County, Kane County Major Crimes Task Force, Aurora University and Kane County CASA. She has a Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice with a minor in Psychology and is finishing her studies at Loyola University Chicago where she will obtain a Masters of Jurisprudence in Children's Law and Policy.

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(Members have priority in registration)

**This course is grant funded by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board.*

FULL

Tri-River Police Training Region - MTU 16

FULL

~~32 Hour IPMBA Police Cyclist Course~~

JJC, Weitendorf Agricultural Education Center

17840 W. Laraway Rd; Joliet, IL 60433

Tuesday - Friday, May 27-30, 2025

8:00am – 4:00pm*

***Thursday, May 29 class will be 1:00 pm – 9:00 pm** (tentative time)

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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| • Legal Updates | 1 Hour |
| • Officer wellness/mental health | 3 Hours |
| • Procedural Justice | 1 Hour |
| • De-escalation Techniques | 4 Hours (4 Hours Scenario-Based) |
| • Law concerning stops, searches, and the use of force | 1 Hour (1 Hour Scenario-Based) |
| • Officer safety techniques, including cover, concealment, and time | 4 Hours (4 Hours Scenario-Based) |

Course Description: This course, which is nationally certified through the International Police Mountain Bike Association (IPMBA), has been developed for officers and First Line Supervisors and focuses on the use of the bicycle as a patrol vehicle. Participants will spend approximately half of each day riding their bikes and negotiating obstacles. Students will learn to safely handle their bikes while in traffic and how to use the bicycle when making traffic stops, citizen contacts, and suspect contacts. They will also learn how to safely handle bicycles in pursuit situations.

The course includes:

- Bicycle, uniform, accessory, and clothing selections
- Basic physical fitness and injury avoidance
- Critical situation riding techniques
- Basic maintenance, tire changing, brake and gear adjustment, lubrication
- Pre-ride safety inspections
- Traffic strategies and approaches to calls
- Negotiation of basic obstacles
- Patrolling, vehicle stops, suspect stops
- Pursuits and takedowns

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- **Night patrol (evening class will be Thursday, May 29th)**
- Drug enforcement
- Community relations
- Bicycles and firearms

Equipment requirements:

Participants **MUST bring:**

- ✓ A multi-gear, quality mountain bike
- ✓ Headlight and rear reflector (or taillight)
- ✓ Bicycle helmet that meets CPSC standards,
- ✓ Protective eyewear, including clear lenses for the night class.
- ✓ Pedal retention, such as toe clips or power grips.

Highly recommended:

- Bike water bottle
- Cycling gloves
- Padded bike shorts
- Rear rack gear bag
- Rear mounted kick stand
- Body armor
- Police radio or cell phone

IMPORTANT NOTE: Student bikes **MUST** meet IPMBA standards for appropriate frame height and size, i.e. there should be 1.5 to 3 inches of clearance between the rider and the top tube of the bike when the rider is astride it in a flat-footed stance.

It is recommended that students wear department bike uniforms and duty gear for this course. If not available, clothing identifiable with 'POLICE' markings is also acceptable. It is also suggested that participants bring a basic tool kit, frame pump, replacement tire tubes and a rain jacket.

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Instructors:

The lead instructor for this class will be Sgt. Bernie Hogancamp, Homewood Police Department (Retired). Co-instructor is Craig Lepkowski.

Member Tuition: None**Non-Member Tuition: None**

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~~LE Defensive Driving for Sedans, SUV's~~ **FULL** & ~~Pick-up Trucks~~ **FULL**

Autobahn Country Club of Joliet
3795 Centerpoint Way; Joliet, IL 60436
Thursday; May 29, 2025
8:00 am till 5:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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| • Civil Rights | 0.5 Hour |
| • Const. Use of LE Authority | 0.5 Hour |
| • Officer safety techniques, including cover, concealment, and time | 2.0 Hours (2.0 Hours Scenario-Based) |

In an effort to allow equal training opportunities, all "Member" Officers who have not taken this course will receive priority over those who have, unless their department requests an exception.

Course Description: With rising insurance, repair, and medical costs, reducing or preventing law enforcement accidents is crucial for officer safety, and that of the public they protect. The professional instructors at Autobahn have developed an extensive one day driving program that covers skills training typically found in a multiple day program.

In the classroom, officers will learn the following concepts of driving safety:

- How cars react under emergency environments
- The basics of car control
- Common mistakes of other drivers on the road
- How to avoid accidents in the first place
- Controlling adrenaline
- Maintaining a high level of awareness
- Minimizing the effects of distractions

Throughout the rest of the day, officers will be placed in common emergency situations in a controlled, safe environment designed to replicate common emergency scenarios.

These drills will cover:

- Braking in low traction conditions (rain, snow, etc.)
- Emergency lane change techniques
- Vehicle dynamics training
- Skid control recovery

❖ *To facilitate this one-day program, breakfast and lunch are provided on site.*

Requirements:

- **At least one department squad car, SUV, or Pick-up truck is required for every two officers (from the same department) and will be used in the training.**
- In order to maximize training, class size is limited to 12 officers.
- Officers are required to check-in at the front security/information gate house.

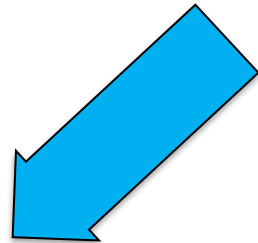
Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(members receive priority)

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FULL ~~Tactical Emergency Casualty Care~~ **FULL**

Plainfield Police Department
14300 Coil Plus Dr., Plainfield, IL. 60544
Thursday; May 29, 2025
8:00 am till 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

- Emergency Medical Training & Certification 8.0 Hours (4.0 Hours Scenario-Based)

Course Description: Officers will discuss and visualize the concept of Tactical Emergency Casualty Care as it applies to law enforcement tactical situations and the treatment of injured officers. Officers will learn and demonstrate specific treatments and interventions for the most commonly encountered wound patterns.

Officers are asked to bring clothing appropriate for weather conditions for scenario training.

On completion of the course, each participant will receive a Medical Patrol Officer Kit for duty use. Each kit contains: One C-A-T Combat Application Tourniquet, an OLAES Emergency Trauma Dressing and a Hyfin Vent Compact Chest Seal.

Upon completion of this period of instruction, officers will be able to:

- Identify the concepts of Tactical Emergency Casualty Care, its use in the law enforcement environment and how this concept differs from historically taught conventional First Responder medical treatment practices.
- Identify the most commonly sustained officer injuries and preventable causes of death.
- Identify the importance of mindset and maintaining situational awareness when wounded and when treating fellow officers.
- Identify signs and symptoms of airway problems and demonstrate airway interventions.
- Identify signs and symptoms of serious bleeding and demonstrate control interventions.
- Identify signs and symptoms of shock and demonstrate prevention and treatment interventions.
- Perform a Casualty Evaluation/F.A.S.T. Rapid Trauma Assessment and tactical evacuation.
- Plan and perform a vehicle and non-vehicle officer down rescue/extraction in a high-threat environment.

Instructor: Justin D. Rottmann is a police officer and a firefighter/paramedic. He has been part of the ILEAS Region 8 SRT since 2012. He currently serves as the TEMS (tactical EMS) team leader.

Member Tuition: None*

Non-Member Tuition: None* (Members will have priority in registration)

**This course is funded by the Illinois Department of Transportation through the Police Traffic Services Training Project and administered by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board.*

Tactical Emergency Casualty Care

Plainfield Police Department

14300 Coil Plus Dr., Plainfield, IL. 60544

Friday; May 30, 2025

8:00 am till 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

- Emergency Medical Training & Certification 8.0 Hours (4.0 Hours Scenario-Based)

Course Description: Officers will discuss and visualize the concept of Tactical Emergency Casualty Care as it applies to law enforcement tactical situations and the treatment of injured officers. Officers will learn and demonstrate specific treatments and interventions for the most commonly encountered wound patterns.

Officers are asked to bring clothing appropriate for weather conditions for scenario training.

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Member Tuition: None*

Non-Member Tuition: None* (Members will have priority in registration)

** This project will be supported by funds from the Department of Homeland Security, Federal Fiscal Year 2022 Homeland Security Grant Program. CFDA #97.067.*

Instructor Development Course - 40 Hour

Kankakee County Sheriff's Department
3000 S. Justice Way, Kankakee, IL. 60901
Monday-Friday; June 2-6, 2025
8:00 am till 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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| • Cultural Competency | 3.0 Hours |
| • Officer wellness/mental health | 1.0 Hour |
| • Procedural Justice | 3.0 Hours |

Course Description: This new 40-hour curriculum has been designed to provide new instructors with the skills needed to become dynamic, effective trainers. In this highly interactive and participatory program, students will be introduced to a multitude of techniques that can be used successfully within traditional law enforcement environments and applications, including the classroom, field operations, simulated scenes, scenarios, and assessment training. This course focuses on techniques of instruction that address different adult learning styles and will provide a comprehensive overview of different classroom management principles. Participants will complete numerous practical exercises in public speaking, demonstrative instruction, and lesson plan preparation. Class will culminate in each participant providing a block of instruction on a law enforcement-related topic of their choosing. Attendees will be encouraged in the development of their instructional skills through immediate, supportive feedback from instructors as well as their fellow classmates.

Topics to be addressed include:

- How to instruct to all adult learning styles
- Time management of a training program or unit of instruction
- Organization and lesson plan preparation
- Writing course objectives
- Different types of class participation
- How to construct exam questions
- Classroom media, including PowerPoint, and Poll Everywhere

Instructors: This course will be taught by Lt. Heather Hansen (ret.), Illinois State Police and Lt. Chris Collins (ret.) with Kane County Sheriff's Department.

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(Members receive priority)

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~~LE Defensive Driving for Sedans, SUV's~~ **FULL & Pick-up Trucks FULL**

Autobahn Country Club of Joliet
3795 Centerpoint Way; Joliet, IL 60436
Tuesday; June 3, 2025
8:00 am till 5:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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| • Civil Rights | 0.5 Hour |
| • Const. Use of LE Authority | 0.5 Hour |
| • Officer safety techniques, including cover, concealment, and time | 2.0 Hours (2.0 Hours Scenario-Based) |

In an effort to allow equal training opportunities, all "Member" Officers who have not taken this course will receive priority over those who have, unless their department requests an exception.

Course Description: With rising insurance, repair, and medical costs, reducing or preventing law enforcement accidents is crucial for officer safety, and that of the public they protect. The professional instructors at Autobahn have developed an extensive one day driving program that covers skills training typically found in a multiple day program.

In the classroom, officers will learn the following concepts of driving safety:

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- The basics of car control
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- Maintaining a high level of awareness
- Minimizing the effects of distractions

Throughout the rest of the day, officers will be placed in common emergency situations in a controlled, safe environment designed to replicate common emergency scenarios.

These drills will cover:

- Braking in low traction conditions (rain, snow, etc.)
- Emergency lane change techniques
- Vehicle dynamics training
- Skid control recovery

❖ *To facilitate this one-day program, breakfast and lunch are provided on site.*

Requirements:

- **At least one department squad car, SUV, or Pick-up truck is required for every two officers (from the same department) and will be used in the training.**
- In order to maximize training, class size is limited to 12 officers.
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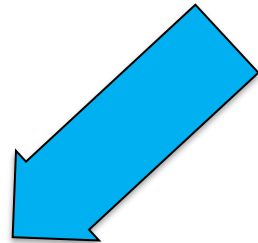
Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(members receive priority)

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ILETSB - SRO Recertification - Butts

Plainfield Police Department

14300 Coil Plus Dr., Plainfield, IL. 60544

Thursday & Friday, June 5-6, 2025

8:00 am till 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

• Civil Rights	2.0 Hours
• Const. Use of LE Authority	2.0 Hours
• Crisis Intervention	1.5 Hours
• Cultural Competency	0.5 Hour
• Human Rights	0.5 Hour
• Legal Updates	1.5 Hours
• Officer wellness/mental health	0.5 Hour
• Procedural Justice	3.0 Hours
• Law concerning stops, searches, and the use of force	1.0 Hour (0.5 Hour Scenario-Based)
• Officer safety techniques, including cover, concealment, and time	3.0 Hours (1.5 Hours Scenario-Based)
• Specialized: School Resource Officer	
○ Active Threat Response	4.0 Hours (2.0 Hours Scenario-Based)
○ Juvenile Law	3.0 Hours
○ Officer & Youth Interaction	3.0 Hours

**** Students MUST bring a laptop or tablet that can utilize a thumb drive, those who do not, will not be allowed to stay for the training.****

Course Description: This 2-day, 16-hour program has been designed by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board to provide students with the required training in use of police personnel within the school setting in accordance with SB 2925 (PA 100-984). SROs must be police officers of law enforcement agencies who are to serve within a school setting pursuant to a memorandum of understanding between the employing law enforcement agency and a school district within the agency's jurisdiction. Any officer serving in this role as of January 1, 2021, must have a special certification issued by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board ("Board"). Such officers must have attended a special training course or attained a waiver by the Board before they can serve in this role.

This course consists of the three primary components addressed in the curriculum: Juvenile Law, Officer and Youth Interactions, and School Threat Response. Students will participate in guided discussions/lectures, interactive activities, and performance-based exercise.

Instructors: This course will be taught by a team of Instructors. Lead Instructor, Danielle Butts is the Founder and Executive Director of All Our Children's Advocacy Center. She has been a Forensic Interviewer for 20 years and conducted over 4,000 interviews. Danielle is a member of the Cook County Child Abuse Advisory Board and the Children's Advocacy Center of Illinois Legislative Committee. She has been a law enforcement instructor for over 15 years and currently teaches; Interviewing Children, Juvenile Investigations, Sexual Assault and SRO.

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(members have priority in registration)

**This course is grant funded by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board.*

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~~LE Defensive Driving for Sedans, SUV's~~ **FULL & Pick-up Trucks FULL**

Autobahn Country Club of Joliet
3795 Centerpoint Way; Joliet, IL 60436
Tuesday; June 10, 2025
8:00 am till 5:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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| • Civil Rights | 0.5 Hour |
| • Const. Use of LE Authority | 0.5 Hour |
| • Officer safety techniques, including cover, concealment, and time | 2.0 Hours (2.0 Hours Scenario-Based) |

In an effort to allow equal training opportunities, all "Member" Officers who have not taken this course will receive priority over those who have, unless their department requests an exception.

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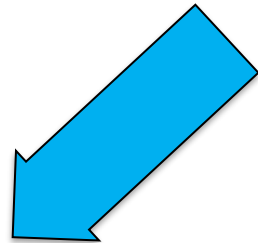
Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(members receive priority)

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Media Relations for Law Enforcement (RAR)

Plainfield Police Department

14300 Coil Plus Dr., Plainfield, IL. 60544

Tuesday, June 10, 2025

8:00 am till 4:00 pm



This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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| • Const. Use of LE Authority | 1.5 Hours |
| • Procedural Justice | 5.0 Hours |
| • Lead Homicide Investigator | 8.0 Hours |

**** The target audience for this course is upper-level command personnel, or Public Information Officers. ****

Course Description:

This program is tailored specifically to meet the unique media relations needs of law enforcement agencies. While meeting those LE needs is *always* the principal focus, this class is presented from the instructor's media perspective as an award-winning, veteran broadcast journalist who has 30 years of experience as a major-market TV and radio news anchorman and reporter. From that foundation, the primary goal is to give participants in-depth insights into working with mainstream news media, by sharing the *inside story* on what reporters do and why they do it, so you can own your full half of a *mutually effective* relationship with them.

This course is designed to give students instruction on a broad spectrum of situations, detailing strategies and tactics that must be understood and applied if LE professionals are to engage in successful media (and public!) relations. You will learn *real-world, real-life, practical* skills and techniques that will dramatically increase your abilities to deal with reporters under numerous circumstances, from the most routine day-to-day inquiries to an ugly situation to a major critical incident. Some 3 dozen videos highlight the best and worst of law enforcement - media relations, making this class not only instructive, but highly entertaining as well. Student questions and comments are always welcome and encouraged.

Topics To Be Discussed:

- The Rules of Engagement
- The Public Information Standard Operating Procedure
- Feeding The Animals
- Media Relations "Do's and Don'ts"
- Interviews
- News Releases
- News Conferences
- The Ugly News Situation
- The Big One

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Instructor: Nationally known media relations trainer **Rick Rosenthal** has presented training to government and emergency service staffs across the nation. His client list is extensive and includes the US Marshals Service; state law enforcement agencies, state chiefs associations; state sheriffs associations; the Force Science Institute; the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center [FLETC] Management Institute; Northwestern University Center for Public Safety [Traffic Institute]; Int'l Assn of Chiefs of Police; National Sheriffs Association; IL Law Enforcement Executive Institute; Trainer and Founding Advisory Board Member, and Int'l Law Enforcement Educators/Trainers Association. Rick was the Senior News Anchor on The Nine O'clock News at Superstation WGN-TV, Chicago from 1983 to 1993. Prior to that he anchored The Wally Phillips Show of WGN Radio, Chicago's #1 prime time morning drive radio program from 1976 to 1983. From 1971 to 1976 he was a radio anchor at WTOP News in Washington, DC and then WMAQ Radio in Chicago. Rick graduated from Princeton University with honors in 1967. For the next four years he served as an Army Officer assigned to the Pentagon assigned to public information. Rick is an award-winning journalist, among his many awards is the national Edward R. Murrow Award from the Radio and TV News Directors Association (RTNDA) for the hour-long TV documentary, Laurie Dann: The Untold Story, the Winnetka, IL Police Department's worst nightmare.

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(members have priority in registration)

**This course is funded in partnership with the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board.*

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~~Brill Law Enforcement Action in Democracy~~ ~~(LEAD) — 4 Hour~~

Plainfield Police Department
14300 Coil Plus Dr., Plainfield, IL. 60544

Wednesday; June 11, 2025

8:00 am till 12:00 pm **(4 hours)**

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

- Cultural Competency 1.0 Hour
- Human Rights 2.0 Hours
- Procedural Justice 1.0 Hour

Course Description: This dynamic 4-hour program has been designed to provide law enforcement officers with a compelling historical analysis of the Holocaust that serves as a framework for further exploration of the ways in which abuses of authority evolve over time and how the rights of individuals must be balanced with the need for societal protection. The Law Enforcement Democracy Initiative is a proven program that impacts how police officers consider empathy, ethics, and morals in their decision-making process.

Participants will examine how changes in government policy and law shifted traditional functions of policing in German society to the implementation of human rights abuses and genocidal programs represented as national security and defense priorities. They will consider the effects these incremental policy shifts had on societal, occupational, and personal life, as well as the decision making of individual police officers during the Nazi era. Through examination of historical and contemporary case studies, students will consider the following issues:

- Moral and ethical decision-making
- Explore issues of racism, bias, and violence through exploration of contemporary case studies
- Discuss the dangers of silence and indifference
- Challenges inherent to the law enforcement profession
- Responsibilities officers have to society and each other
- Stereotyping and the abuse of authority
- Empathizing and connecting with individuals
- Current Hate Crime legislation, reporting considerations, and review of high-profile hate crimes

Class will conclude with a Holocaust survivor's eyewitness recounting of events as they happened during the Nazi era.

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Instructors:

Dr. Susan Woollen: I worked in higher education for over 30 years, and I retired from the Department of Criminal Justice Sciences (CJS) at Illinois State University in 2019. I was an administrator in CJS and co-taught a study abroad course on genocide using the Holocaust as a case study. I also taught classes in the College of Education at ISU. My early research focused on equity in education and women's leadership in higher education. Currently, a former colleague and I are conducting research that applies a criminological theory to explain the causes of genocide and how to prevent future cases. I have co-presented results of this research to the American Society of Criminology, as well as to the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime. I am also actively involved with the Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center as a docent, facilitator, and member of the Second-Generation Speakers' Bureau (my mother was a survivor of the atomic bomb that was deployed over Nagasaki, and I present her pre-war, war, and post-war experiences to community members).

Jacqueline L. Schneider is Professor and former Chair in the Department of Criminal Justice Sciences at Illinois State University, Normal, IL. She received her undergraduate degrees in law enforcement and in criminal justice from the University of Cincinnati. She received her Master's in Public Administration from The Ohio State University and then returned to the University of Cincinnati on scholarship to work on her doctorate in Sociology, which she received in 1995. She's taught and conducted research in the US and in England where her work on stolen goods markets has been put forward as best practice in and has attracted interest from policymakers in various countries. In addition to her many grants, she was the first recipient of the Home Office's Innovative Research Challenge Grant (UK) and she received an outstanding teaching award in the United States. Her published works include numerous academic papers and chapters in books. Her book, *Sold into Extinction* received the Distinguished Book Award, 2012 from the American Society of Criminology's Division of International Criminology. Her current research area pertains to the role criminal justice organizations played in the Holocaust and other genocides. Previous research topics included stolen goods markets, and the illegal trade in endangered flora and fauna.

Member Tuition: None*

Non-Member Tuition: None* (Members will have priority in registration)

**Funded through a grant obtained by the Illinois Holocaust Museum and the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board.*

Proactive Patrol Tactics

And Terrorism Intelligence Gathering Vehicle Stops

Plainfield Police Department

14300 Coil Plus Dr., Plainfield, IL. 60544

Thursday & Friday; June 12-13, 2025

8:00 am till 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

• Civil Rights	2.5 Hours
• Const. Use of LE Authority	2.5 Hours
• Cultural Competency	2.0 Hours
• Legal Updates	2.0 Hours
• Law concerning stops, searches, and the use of force	2.0 Hours
• Officer safety techniques, including cover, concealment, and time	2.0 Hours
• Lead Homicide Investigator	14.0 Hours

Course Description: This fast-paced course is intended for patrol officers and supervisors who want to become more effective in detecting and arresting criminals operating motor vehicles, including drug users, drug traffickers, fugitives and gang members. In addition, the program will provide the latest intelligence information about the movements and activities of suspected terrorists in the United States. The training focuses on objective criteria for criminal interdiction and has been approved by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and the U. S. Department of Justice.

Topics include:

- Criminal Patrol Procedures
- Detecting Deception
- Officer Safety
- Arrest Tactics
- Current Patterns and Trends
- Concealment Areas
- Roadside Interviews
- Informant Development
- Terrorist Organizations
- International Driving Permits
- Resident Alien and SSN Documents
- Criminal Activity and Financing

Instructors:

Chief Ed Delmore - Gulf Shores AL PD; A former Patrol Officer, Undercover Narcotics Investigator, Patrol Sergeant, Watch Commander, Deputy Chief and Chief of Police. Chief Delmore has been involved in the seizure of millions of dollars in illicit drugs and currency and has trained thousands of police officers throughout the United States on criminal Interdiction techniques. **(Continued)**

Officer Stacy McElroy - Gulf Shores AL PD; An 18 year police veteran began his career with the Collinsville, IL PD. He has served as a Patrol Officer, K-9 handler, and a Task Force Officer with the Drug Enforcement Administration.

Officer McElroy has made several significant seizures involving thousands of pounds of narcotics and over a million dollars in currency. Stacy has trained thousands of officers in Criminal Patrol Drug Enforcement throughout the country.

Member Tuition: None*

Non-Member Tuition: None*

** Funding provided in whole or in part by the Illinois Emergency Management Agency, Illinois Homeland Security Advisory Board and the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board.*

Death Investigation

Mokena Police Department

10300 W. 191st St., Mokena, IL. 60450

Monday, June 16, 2025

8:00 am - 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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| • Const. Use of LE Authority | 0.5 Hour |
| • Human Rights | 0.5 Hour |
| • Legal Updates | 0.5 Hour |
| • Procedural Justice | 5.5 Hours (1.0 Hour Scenario-Based) |
| • Lead Homicide Investigator | 8.0 Hours |

Course Description: This course was designed to familiarize officers with various aspects of death investigations from scene response through case closure. In Death Investigation, patrol officers and detectives will gain a comprehensive understanding of their roles in death investigations. Instruction includes a focus on collaborating with jurisdictional death investigation agencies, recognizing common causes of death, processing scenes based on various situational factors, and documenting and preserving critical evidence. Review of case studies will encourage critical thinking regarding application of basic investigation techniques and evidence technician skills. Other topics include attendance at autopsies, the process of a coroner's inquest, report writing, and making notification.

Course topics include:

- Understand the fundamentals of a complete and thorough death investigation from initial arrival at the scene through case closure.
- Learn and retain the basic tasks involved in a death investigation including handling of evidence, collecting relevant case information from various sources, working with decedent families, and collaborating with death investigation agencies.
- Recognize the importance and value of working with their jurisdiction's death investigation agency including post-scene follow up and obtaining autopsy and toxicological evidence.
- Know the various and unique steps involved in a death investigation based on initial observations and suspected manner of death.
- Obtain the skills necessary for performing an on-scene body examination to ensure an accurate cause and manner of death are established.
- Learn the best practices of working with next of kin including making notification, providing resources, and following up after initial contact.

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Instructor: Kiersten Reif, D-ABMDI is an experienced instructor and law enforcement professional with over a decade of varied experience in patrol, investigations, and crime scene processing. After earning her bachelor's degree, she started as a patrol officer and major crash investigator for the Highland Park Police Department. She then pursued a career in the medical field while continuing to work as a patrol officer and major crash investigator. As a death investigator certified by the American Board of Medicolegal Death Investigators at the Lake County Coroner's Office, she conducted death investigations and collaborated with local agencies. Kiersten utilizes her knowledge as a former death investigator and current patrol officer and evidence technician on the Lake County Major Crime Task Force to instruct new and veteran officers in various topics related to death investigation and evidence processing throughout the state at local departments, conferences, webinars, and the Homeland Security Training Institute. She is also a member of her region's Child Death Review Team and the Illinois Division of the International Association for Identification.

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(Members receive priority registration)

Funded in Partnership with the Illinois Law Enforcement Training & Standards Board

IDNR Explosives Safety, Recognition and Handling Course

Morris Police Department
200 E. Chapin St., Morris, IL 60450
Tuesday; June 17, 2025
8:00 am till 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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| • Legal Updates | 3.5 Hours |
| • Procedural Justice | 2.0 Hours |

Course Description: This is a one day 8-hour class being provided by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, OMM-Explosives and Agg. Division. The class will provide hands on education for recognizing the different types of high/low explosives and their requirements at both the State of Illinois level, as well as the BATFE (Federal) level. In addition to general explosive recognition, the specifics and differences of consumer fireworks (1.4) vs. professional grade fireworks (1.3G) and the laws that pertain to them will be discussed in great detail.

This class is being provided by the IDNR to help educate law enforcement and to provide direct assistance, on scene, when dealing with explosive situations. The IDNR regulates / investigates high and low explosives including 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, and 1.5. Too many times law enforcement does not have the education to know how to identify an explosive and/or if a bomb squad needs to be called. Bomb Squads, Explosives Breaching SWAT Teams, and BOMB Dog Handlers already possess the IL Individual Explosives License. The IDNR must be notified immediately upon any recovery of a regulated explosive and/or device to pursue the information necessary for enforcement.

If the Officer and their respective department so desire; after completing the class and passing the exam they can receive an IL IDNR Individual Explosives License, to be used in association with their law enforcement duties. A random monthly bank of test questions will be administered at the end of the class which will consist of 50 questions that will be multiple choice and/or True-False. Each officer receiving the license will fill out an application and must pass the test with an 80% or higher. Officers who do not pass the test will be provided an opportunity to retest in the near future.

- **Licensing is recommended but not required to attend.**

There are eight chapters covered in the presentation and each officer will be provided a packet of information from the IDNR consisting of a copy of the IL Explosives Act, the Admin Codes that Apply to the Act, a general explosives safety packet, a packet for note taking as the presentation is given, and a small 4-page packet for officers to keep available as a quick reference guide for explosive identification purposes, while on duty.

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Key topical areas to be addressed include the following:

- Illinois Explosives Act
- Explosive Storage Requirements-Law Enforcement and Non-Law Enforcement
- Explosives Safety/Recognition/Handling (m-devices, homemade sticks, etc.)
- Fireworks- 1.3G low explosives (professional fireworks) vs 1.4 low explosives
- Enforcement of 1.3G vs. 1.4 and their requirements

Instructor:

The instructor for this class is Nick Sterling who currently is a Specialist/Inspector/Investigator for the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, OMM-Explosives and Agg. Division. Mr. Sterling's current territory includes Cook, Lake, McHenry, DuPage, Kane, Kendall, Grundy, and Will Counties. Sterling has been with the Department for four years and inspects/investigates all explosive storage facilities (Law enforcement and Non-Law Enforcement), explosives accidents, explosives incidents, and performs random checks/investigations on both licensed and unlicensed individuals. Sterling has 18 years of high explosives experience and teaches the IL Individual Explosives License Class on a regular basis. Over the past few years Mr. Sterling has noticed a lack of education when law enforcement agencies are dealing with explosives related issues, and hopes to help prevent these issues in the future through education and assistance.

Member Tuition: None**Non-Member Tuition: None**
(members receive priority)

Avoiding Preventable Use of Force

Plainfield Fire Protection District Headquarters

23748 W. 135th St.; Plainfield, IL 60544

Wednesday; June 18, 2025

8:00 am till 4:00 pm



NEW

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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| • Crisis Intervention | 0.5 Hour |
| • Legal Updates | 0.5 Hour |
| • Procedural Justice | 3.0 Hours |
| • De-escalation Techniques | 1.5 Hours |
| • Officer safety techniques, including cover, concealment, and time | 1.0 Hour |

Course Description:

During this 8-hour ILETSB-certified free course, highly experienced national trainer, Lt. Jim Glennon (ret.), will dissect real-world force encounters, recorded on body cameras, with the goal of identifying what, if anything, could have been done to reduce or avoid the need to use force.

He will explore an array of important topics including acute stress and its impact on officer decision-making and performance; high-tension interaction strategies designed to depressurize subjects in crisis; legal, ethical and tactical considerations regarding use of force; effective tactical communication; myths and realities of de-escalation; responsibilities of command staff and trainers to thoroughly prepare officers to apply a force-avoidance skillset to forestall the need for force when possible, and more.

This course is designed to realistically take into account human factors limitations that impact officers' mental and physical performance in high-stress, time-compressed circumstances.

Instructor: Lt. Jim Glennon (ret.)

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

Funded in Partnership with the Illinois Law Enforcement Training & Standards Board, ILEAS, and ICJIA.

Animal Cruelty and its Link to Domestic Violence

Romeoville Police Department

1050 West Romeo Rd., Romeoville, IL. 60446

Thursday; June 19, 2025

8:00 am till 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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| • Civil Rights | 1.0 Hour |
| • Const. Use of LE Authority | 1.0 Hour |
| • Legal Updates | 1.5 Hours |
| • Procedural Justice | 0.5 Hour |
| • Psychology of Domestic Violence | 1.5 Hours |
| • Reporting of Child Abuse and Neglect | 0.5 Hour |

Course Description: Criminal offenses committed against animals are often overlooked and not prioritized. However, it permeates and affects most traditional areas of law- including tort, criminal, family, civil and constitutional law. Through extensive research, a link has been established between crimes committed against animals and those committed against human victims. Often these crimes against human victims do not become apparent until the crime against an animal has been discovered. Recognizing and understanding this link and how to properly navigate from the inception of the investigation to the witness stand is the key goal of this course.

Topics to be addressed in this class include:

- Understanding Illinois Current Animal statutes and applicable case law
- A crash course in Domestic violence in general, and how it's been linked to animal cruelty
- Animal hoarding, a mental illness
- Investigating animal cruelty cases
- Search warrants
- Animal forfeiture

Instructor: Assistant State's Attorney Courtney Hogan is assigned as a felony assistant. Along with these duties, she assists as a special prosecutor for animal cruelty cases in the Animal Protection Unit. She has served as a prosecutor in the domestic violence division in Michigan and Will County. She has been a practicing attorney for nearly ten years, graduating from Western Michigan Thomas M. Cooley Law School.

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(Members receive priority)

**Funded in Partnership with the Illinois Law Enforcement Training & Standards Board.*

FULL

Tri-River Police Training Region - MTU 16

FULL

~~Ballistic Shield Instructor Course – 40 hour~~

Plainfield Police Department
 14300 Coil Plus Dr., Plainfield, IL.
 Monday; July 28, 2025
 0800-1600

Joliet Country Club
 1009 Spencer Rd.
 Tuesday-Friday; July 29-August 1, 2025
 0800-1600

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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| • Const. Use of LE Authority | 1.00 Hour |
| • De-escalation Techniques | 20.50 Hours (17.00 Hours Scenario-Based) |
| • High-Risk Traffic Stops | 6.00 Hours (6.00 Hours Scenario-Based) |
| • Law concerning stops, searches, and the use of force | 1.00 Hour |
| • Officer safety techniques, including cover, concealment, and time | 10.50 Hours (10.50 Hours Scenario-Based) |
| • Specialized: School Resource Officer (SRO) Pre-Qualified | |
| ○ Active Threat Response | 40.0 Hours (33.50 Hours Scenario-Based) |

Course Description: This 40-hour (5-day) basic Hand Held Ballistic Shield In-House Instructors Course is designed to provide all of the tactical skill sets, printed material, and training outlines required to teach officers, within their own agency, to deploy and utilize a hand held ballistic shield. This course focuses on the ballistic shield and related equipment, training and operational considerations when deploying the shield during law enforcement functions. Topics covered include Stances, Movement, Reload/Malfunction Drills, live fire, basic CQB, perimeter operations, arrest team strategies, building searches and other high-risk patrol operations, Officer/Citizen down rescues, Vehicle clearing/arrest/rescue, and instructor development. The course requires student instructors to learn, practice and demonstrate proficiency in the critical individual and team skill sets required to become certified as a shield operator and teach those skills sets to officers. Student instructors will be required to demonstrate the ability to pass a written test, and teach material from this course.

While not mandatory, it is suggested that departments enroll officers in this program that have previous firearms and/or tactical-related instructor experience. **Students for this program should be selected for the expectation that they will teach or coordinate their agencies in-house Hand Held Ballistic Shield program.**

This is a dynamic, fast-paced course geared towards officers who already have a basic knowledge of firearms handling/deployment and patrol tactics.

***** Students are required to bring a notebook and writing utensil, ear/eye protection, duty leather, pistol, and flashlight, Patrol Rifle if assigned, 300 rounds handgun and 100 rounds long gun ammunition, 100 rounds FX Marking Cartridges and Marking converted weapons, long pants, boots, soft body armor, ballistic shields and helmets (if available), civilian shirt w/no police logos and water to drink during tactical exercises.**

Instructors: Greg Poulos and other ILETSB certified instructors from the Illinois Tactical Officers Association.

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(Members have priority in registration)

**Funded in partnership with the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board.*

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Criminal Procedure for Detectives and Patrol Officers

Will County Sheriff's Department

16911 W. Laraway Rd., Joliet, IL. 60433

Monday; August 4, 2025

8:00 am till 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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| • Civil Rights | 2.0 Hours |
| • Const. Use of LE Authority | 2.0 Hours |
| • Legal Updates | 4.0 Hours |
| • Lead Homicide Investigator | 8.0 Hours |

Course Description:

This course will assist/inform/update Detectives and Police Officers in the criminal procedure laws as they pertain to criminal investigations. This course examines procedural law, substantive law, case law, and photographic crime scene studies. Actual documented case studies are used to illustrate the current state of our laws.

Topics to be discussed:

- Potential Pitfalls in Criminal Procedure | The sources of Criminal Procedure | Due Process of Law | Miranda | Electronic Recording of Custodial Interrogations | Search and Seizure | Right to Privacy | Police Surveillance | Tracking Devices | Searching Vehicles | Canine Searches | Personal Electronic Devices | The "Plain View" Doctrine | Templates regarding Search Warrants, Phone Pings, etc. | Franks v. Delaware | Anticipatory Search Warrants | Securing Buildings | Knock and Announce laws/issues/updates | The Fifth Amendment | Terry Stops | Identification Procedures (Lineups, Photo Arrays, and Showups) | Illinois Supreme Court Rule 3.6 (What An Officer Can and Cannot Say)

Instructor: Jeffrey J. Pavletic is an award-winning trial attorney who has built a reputation of integrity and exceptional skill in the courtroom. As a prosecutor for the past two decades, he has tried countless cases to victory (including approximately 150 jury trials with a concentration in homicide and violent crime). In addition to trying some of the highest profile and complex cases that have occurred in the history of Northern Illinois, Jeff was Chief of the Felony Review Division, and is currently the First Assistant State's Attorney for the Lake County (Illinois) State's Attorney's Office. Jeff served as Special Counsel to the U.S. House of Representatives Judiciary Committee in the impeachment of President Clinton. His duties included all aspects of independent counsel review, the impeachment inquiry, presentation of articles of impeachment to the U.S. House of Representatives, all witness interviews and depositions of trial witnesses, and the actual impeachment trial before the U.S. Senate. Jeff has received numerous federal, state, and local awards. These include Illinois State Crime Commission's State's Attorney of the Year, Felony Trial Attorney of the Year, The Fred L. Foreman Criminal Justice Award, The Ruth Rosengarden Victim Service provider Award, and a special U.S. House of Representatives Award presented by Congressman Henry Hyde.

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Jeff has been featured on 20/20, The Today Show, Good Morning America, Court TV, and the Discovery Channel. Jeff is a published author and a well-respected legal instructor who holds undergraduate and graduate faculty positions and has received accolades as a nationally renowned lecturer, training thousands of police officers, lawyers, prosecutors, and judges.

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(Members receive priority registration)

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BUILDING A BETTER POLICE REPORT

Lockport Police Department

1212 South Farrell Rd., Lockport, IL. 60441

Wednesday; August 6, 2025

8:00 am till 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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| • Const. Use of LE Authority | 0.5 Hour |
| • Procedural Justice | 3.0 Hours |
| • Psychology of Domestic Violence | 2.0 Hours |
| • Use of Force (General) | 1.0 Hour |
| • Lead Homicide Investigator | 8.0 Hours |

Course Description:

This 8- hour course will focus on enhancing an officer's report writing skills so that he or she may better submit clear, accurate, concise, and detailed primary case reports. Emphasis will be placed on detailing probable cause for an arrest, better providing investigators with essentials in primary reports so that follow-up may become more efficient and enhancing case building in a way that will aid prosecutorial success. The course will examine some of the top failure points of poorly written reports as seen by shift supervisors, and then provide a blueprint to organization to better build reports for the future. Added emphasis will be placed on the additional care and challenges presented when preparing initial reports for Domestic Violence, Criminal Sexual Assault, and when an officer has had to apply physical force in the field. This course is geared to both newer patrol officers who may be developing report writing experience, as well as those veteran officers who might benefit from enhancing their report writing skills. Learning will be done through both lecture and a practical writing lab. Students are encouraged to bring a laptop computer with Microsoft Word installed.

Topics to be discussed:

- Developing a winning mindset for proper report writing- Why it is THAT important!
- Top areas of report failure and how to correct them before you commit them
- Eliminating the "Cliffhangers" and communicating to your overall audience (cops, courts, lawyers, and social services)
- Implementing a fool-proof "Blueprint" for organizing any report, every time
- Making the link from describing events to establishing why actions were taken
- Strategy for reviewing reports prior to submitting them
- Challenges in preparing a primary Domestic Violence Report
- Challenges in preparing a primary Sexual Assault Report
- Documenting your use of force within your report

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Instructor: Sergeant Phelan is a 22- year veteran of the Lockport Police Department, and a patrol Sergeant for the last 9. He graduated from the University of Illinois- Chicago earning a BA in Criminal Justice. He is also a graduate of the NUCPS School of Staff and Command. In addition to his formal education, he has served his department by managing the crime prevention/community outreach program where he was responsible for DARE, GREAT, community outreach, as well as writing and implementing a curriculum for his department's Citizen's Police Academy.

He was also the primary grant writer for Lockport in obtaining the Bureau of Justice Assistance's (BJA) Gang Resistance Education Grant, COPS Hiring Grant, Illinois Tobacco Enforcement Reimbursement Grant, and the Illinois Department of Transportation's Traffic Safety Grant. Those roles included the added responsibility of submitting grant proposals, timely progress reports, and preparing follow-up press-releases. He currently is the department's Field Training Manager where he is responsible for assisting in the selection of FTOs and reviewing the overall progress of recruits through the daily submitted observation reports.

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(members receive priority)

Funded in Partnership with the Illinois Law Enforcement Training & Standards Board

ILETSB - School Resource Officer Training by Butts

Plainfield Police Department

14300 Coil Plus Dr., Plainfield, IL. 60544

Monday-Friday, August 4-8, 2025

8:00 am till 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

• Civil Rights	1.5 Hours
• Const. Use of LE Authority	1.0 Hour
• Crisis Intervention	4.0 Hours
• Cultural Competency	2.5 Hours
• Emergency Medical Response Training and Certification	1.0 Hour (1.0 Hour Scenario-Based)
• Human Rights	0.5 Hour
• Legal Updates	3.0 Hours
• Officer wellness/mental health	1.0 Hour
• Procedural Justice	7.5 Hours
• Psychology of Domestic Violence	0.5 Hour
• Reporting of Child Abuse and Neglect	0.5 Hour
• De-escalation Techniques	3.0 Hours (2.5 Hours Scenario-Based)
• Law concerning stops, searches, and the use of force	1.0 Hour
• Officer safety techniques, including cover, concealment, and time	3.0 Hours (2.5 Hours Scenario-Based)
• Specialized: School Resource Officer (SRO) Pre-Qualified	
○ Active Threat Response	7.0 Hours (6.0 Hours Scenario-Based)
○ Juvenile Law	6.0 Hours
○ Officer & Youth Interaction	8.0 Hours

**** Students MUST bring a laptop or tablet that can utilize a thumb drive, those who do not, will not be allowed to stay for the training. ****

Course Description: This 5-day, 40 hour program has been designed by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board to provide students with the required training in use of police personnel within the school setting in accordance with SB 2925 (PA 100-984). SROs must be police officers of law enforcement agencies who are to serve within a school setting pursuant to a memorandum of understanding between the employing law enforcement agency and a school district within the agency's jurisdiction. Any officer serving in this role as of January 1, 2021 must have a special certification issued by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board ("Board"). Such officers must have attended a special training, or attained a waiver by the Board, before they can serve in this role. **To be eligible for this special certificate, a full-time Illinois law enforcement officer must have been actively employed in a law enforcement position within the state for at least three years (five years for part-time officers) before enrolling in the course or requesting a waiver. Each such officer must also be of sound character, free of disciplinary concerns, and open to working with minors.**

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Topics Discussed:

Overview of juvenile law, Juvenile Court Act, role of the juvenile officer, special juvenile considerations, due process for juveniles, detention of juveniles, interrogating juvenile suspects, interviewing juvenile witnesses, rights of parents, SRO introduction, roles of SRO, school structure and hierarchy, school law, adolescent development/teen brain, communication, developing relationships among diverse students, special considerations and disabilities, criminal activity, law enforcement actions in school, ethical concerns, school design and safety, introduction to school threat response, school threat response case studies, role of SRO during a threat, recognizing an active threat, tactical maneuvering on school grounds, solo vs. group response tactics, clearing of school classrooms, identification and response to threat, post event, scenario trainings.

Instructors: This course will be taught by a team of Instructors. Lead Instructor, Danielle Butts is the Founder and Executive Director of All Our Children's Advocacy Center. She has been a Forensic Interviewer for 20 years and conducted over 4,000 interviews. Danielle is a member of the Cook County Child Abuse Advisory Board and the Children's Advocacy Center of Illinois Legislative Committee. She has been a law enforcement instructor for over 15 years and currently teaches; Interviewing Children, Juvenile Investigations, Sexual Assault and SRO.

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(members have priority in registration)

**This course is grant funded by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board.*

Acting Patrol Officer in Charge

Mokena Police Department

10300 W. 191st St., Mokena, IL. 60448

Thursday & Friday; August 7-8, 2025

8:00 am till 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

• Civil Rights	1.0 Hour
• Const. Use of LE Authority	1.0 Hour
• Crisis Intervention	2.0 Hours
• Cultural Competency	3.0 Hours
• Human Rights	0.5 Hour
• Legal Updates	1.0 Hour
• Officer wellness/mental health	0.5 Hour
• Procedural Justice	4.0 Hours
• Use of Force	1.0 Hour

Course Description:

This training program is designed to meet the practical needs of uniformed patrol officers who have supervisory responsibilities and will challenge them to evaluate their leadership styles. The management of numerous patrol challenges will be discussed in a highly interactive setting with safe and proper response to situations being the main theme of this program. Patrol Officers who serve as Officers-in-Charge, Field Training Officers, and newly appointed Sergeants would all benefit from this program.

Topics will include:

- ***Procedural Challenges***
Jurisdiction-discipline-use of force-death notification-hostage/barricaded subject-
Psychiatric emergencies-domestic violence-vehicle pursuits-active assailant-
Reporting unusual occurrence to command staff and many others
- ***Initial Response to Unusual or Violent Deaths***
Crime scene integrity
Search and seizure issues
Identify -- Who, When, Where, What, Why, and How
- ***Response to Critical Incidents***
Command station
Setting up perimeters
Manpower, time, equipment
- ***Case Studies***
Identifying leadership styles
Decision making process
Alternate course of action

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Instructor: Brian Galske, Commander of Operations, Chicago Ridge P.D. (Ret.)

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(Members receive priority)

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The Legal & Justifiable Use of Force - Pavletic

Will County Sheriff's Department
16911 W. Laraway Rd., Joliet, IL. 60433
Monday; August 11, 2025
8:00 am till 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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| • Const. Use of LE Authority | 1.0 Hour |
| • Legal Updates | 1.0 Hour |
| • Procedural Justice | 1.0 Hour |
| • Law concerning stops, searches, and the use of force | 5.0 Hours |
| • Specialized: Lead Homicide Investigator | 8.0 Hours |

Course Description: This course will focus on police officer use of force considerations in on-duty and off-duty scenarios. Practical use of force issues will be examined by viewing actual videos from live police use of force encounters and discussing the officer's decisions in those instances. The course will review U.S. Supreme Court cases, Federal Court decisions, Illinois statutes and case law, and what our courts specifically look for in police use of force situations. The course will also address use of force occurrences, ranging from crimes in progress to the use of force in medical emergencies. The material will consider use of force from an officer's perspective: pre-assault indicators, force options that may be utilized, the use of intermediate weapons, permitted uses of force, prohibited uses of force, and the deadly use of force. Instruction will include proper documentation, Qualified Immunity, Garrity issues, and the Illinois Uniform Peace Officer's Disciplinary Act. The program will conclude with a discussion of the "10 Myths of Police Use of Force."

Topics Discussed:

- Video analysis of actual police use of force events and decision making
- Use of force during crimes in progress; offenders fleeing a crime scene; medical emergencies
- Use of force where offender is neither evading arrest nor committing a crime
- Review of Illinois, Federal, and U.S. Supreme Court cases regarding police use of force
- What our courts consider when evaluating an officer's use of force
- Pre-assault indicators; force options; quantum of force; use of intermediate weapons
- Acceptable methods of force; unacceptable methods of force; use of deadly force
- Documenting an officer's use of force
- Probable cause and Qualified Immunity; Garrity issues
- The Illinois Uniform Peace Officer's Disciplinary Act
- "The 10 Myths of Police Use of Force"

Instructor: Jeffrey J. Pavletic is an award-winning trial attorney who has built a reputation of integrity and exceptional skill in the courtroom. As a prosecutor for the past two decades, he has tried countless cases to victory (including approximately 150 jury trials with a concentration in homicide and violent crime). In addition to trying some of the highest profile and complex cases that have occurred in the history of Northern Illinois, Jeff was Chief of the Felony Review Division, and is currently the First Assistant State's Attorney for the Lake County (Illinois) State's Attorney's Office. Jeff served as Special Counsel to the U.S. House of Representatives Judiciary Committee in the impeachment of President Clinton. **(continued next page)**

His duties included all aspects of independent counsel review, the impeachment inquiry, presentation of articles of impeachment to the U.S. House of Representatives, all witness interviews and depositions of trial witnesses, and the actual impeachment trial before the U.S. Senate. Jeff has received numerous federal, state, and local awards.

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Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(Members receive priority)

Funded in Partnership with the Illinois Law Enforcement Training & Standards Board

Sexual Assault Investigator Training (Day-2)

Attendees must have previously completed the Initial Responders 8-hour in person or 8-hour online class to attend

New Lenox Police Department
200 Veterans Parkway, New Lenox, IL. 60451
Friday; August 15, 2025
8:00 am till 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

• Civil Rights	0.5 Hour
• Const. Use of LE Authority	0.5 Hour
• Cultural Competency	0.5 Hour
• Human Rights	0.5 Hour
• Legal Updates	0.5 Hour
• Procedural Justice	0.5 Hour
• Psychology of Domestic Violence	1.0 Hour
• Sexual Assault Trauma Informed Response	4.0 Hours
• Lead Homicide Investigator	8.0 Hours
• Sexual Assault Investigator Training	8.0 Hours

***** Students are encouraged to bring a laptop or tablet that can utilize a thumb drive; paper copies of the materials will not be provided. *****

Course Description: This course will meet all the requirements of the Sexual Assault Incident Procedure Act (Public Act 099-0801) which was enacted January 1, 2017. This Act requires all agencies employing law enforcement officers who conduct sexual assault and abuse investigations be required to provide specialized training within 2 years (January 1, 2019) of the effective date of this act. The act also requires that agencies present training to all law enforcement officers who are initial responders within 3 years (January 1, 2020) of the effective date of this act.

Instructor:

Commander John Arizzi has worked for the Lockport Police Department since 2005. He is the Investigations Commander and currently serving as a Division Commander in the Will/Grundy Major Crimes Task Force. John is a former Deputy Director of the Metro Area Narcotics Squad and has worked undercover for both state and federal authorities. John is also an FBI certified crisis negotiator and served on the Will County SWAT team. John holds a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from Benedictine University.

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(Members receive priority)

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Non-Escalation & De-Escalation Scenario Based Training

Plainfield Police Department
14300 Coil Plus Dr., Plainfield, IL. 60544
Wednesday; August 20, 2025
8:00 am till 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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| • De-escalation Techniques | 5.0 Hours (5.0 Hours Scenario-Based) |
| • Law concerning stops, searches, and the use of force | 1.0 Hour (0.5 Hour Scenario-Based) |
| • Officer safety techniques, including cover, concealment, and time | 1.0 Hour (0.5 Hour Scenario-Based) |

Course Description:

This comprehensive course offers a deep exploration of the proper use of force for officers, as well as the essential knowledge and practical skills in non-escalation and de-escalation as force alternatives. Participants will engage in stimulating lectures, hands-on activities, and interactive discussions, fostering a holistic understanding of the material and its real-world implications. Officers will have the opportunity to apply their learning in practical scenarios, honing their problem-solving abilities and critical thinking skills.

Instructor:

Dr. Michael Schlosser retired as the Director of the Police Training Institute at the University of Illinois, after 20 years of service – nine years as an instructor and eleven years as Director. He holds a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Governor's State University, a Master's Degree in Legal Studies from the University of Illinois-Springfield, and a Doctorate in Education from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He retired as a Lieutenant from the Rantoul Illinois Police Department after 20 years of service. During that time, he held positions as field training officer, field training supervisor, detective, juvenile officer, wellness director, control tactics instructor, and canine supervisor. When he became the director of PTI in 2012, he continued to teach the courses he was passionate about, including de-escalation training, arrest and control tactics, and police officer wellness. Dr. Schlosser is credited for groundbreaking efforts toward police reform through implementation of innovative curricula for improving police practices. His overall emphasis is on de-escalation training, community policing, and intensive integrated scenario-based training. Dr. Schlosser, through PTI, has been involved in numerous research projects in collaboration with various colleges at the University of Illinois.

Dr. Schlosser has authored dozens of articles, is co-author of the book *The POWER Manual: a Step-by-Step Guide to Improving Police Officer Wellness, Ethics, and Resilience*, made numerous radio and television appearances, and given over 200 presentations across the country on topics such as community policing, police tactics, police training, use of force, de-escalation techniques, control and arrest tactics, the intersection of police and race, diversity, police officer wellness, police family wellness, and various other topics related to American law enforcement.

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(members have priority in registration)

**This course is grant funded by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board.*

Writing Effective Search Warrants, Report Writing & Effective Courtroom Testimony

New Lenox Police Department

200 Veterans Parkway, New Lenox, IL. 60451

Monday; August 25, 2025

8:00 am till 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

- Civil Rights 3.0 Hours
- Const. Use of LE Authority 3.0 Hours
- Legal Updates 2.0 Hours
- Lead Homicide Investigator 8.0 Hours

Course Description:

This multi-disciplinary training course for law enforcement officers will cover specific detailed writing for search warrants from drafting affidavits to testifying a suppression hearing. This course will also cover the do's and don'ts of writing police reports to avoid problems in court. Finally, this course will teach officers how to properly prepare for court and present physical and testimonial evidence at trial.

Topics to be discussed:

SEARCH WARRANTS: > Drafting Affidavit > Informant Affidavit's > Hearsay > John Doe Warrants > Descriptions of places-persons-items to be searched > Probable Cause > Anticipatory Search Warrants Mandates: Civil Rights, Constitutional Use of Law Enforcement Authority & Legal Updates > Misrepresentation of Facts > Omissions > Discovery > Judicial Approval > Telephone corrections > Execution > Timelines > Knock & Announce/No Knock Warrants > Warrant Executed at Wrong Address > Inventory & Return

REPORT WRITING: > Supreme Court Rule 412 - Disclosure > Supreme Court Rule 415 - Duty to Disclose > Officer Personnel Files > Dangers of Poor Report Writing > Keys to Well-Written Report > Report Checklist

COURTROOM TESTIMONY: > The New Orleans Story > Attorneys Rules and Ethics > Understanding Defense Attorneys > How to Prepare for Your Testimony > How to Testify at Trial > Cross Examination > What Not To Do

Instructor: Jeffrey J. Pavletic is an award-winning trial attorney who has built a reputation of integrity and exceptional skill in the courtroom. As a prosecutor for the past two decades, he has tried countless cases to victory (including approximately 150 jury trials with a concentration in homicide and violent crime). In addition to trying some of the highest profile and complex cases that have occurred in the history of Northern Illinois, Jeff was Chief of the Felony Review Division, and is currently the First Assistant State's Attorney for the Lake County (Illinois) State's Attorney's Office. Jeff served as Special Counsel to the U.S. House of Representatives Judiciary Committee in the impeachment of President Clinton.

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His duties included all aspects of independent counsel review, the impeachment inquiry, presentation of articles of impeachment to the U.S. House of Representatives, all witness interviews and depositions of trial witnesses, and the actual impeachment trial before the U.S. Senate. Jeff has received numerous federal, state, and local awards. These include Illinois State Crime Commission's State's Attorney of the Year, Felony Trial Attorney of the Year, The Fred L. Foreman Criminal Justice Award, The Ruth Rosengarden Victim Service provider Award, and a special U.S. House of Representatives Award presented by Congressman Henry Hyde. Jeff has been featured on 20/20, The Today Show, Good Morning America, Court TV, and the Discovery Channel. Jeff is a published author and a well-respected legal instructor who holds undergraduate and graduate faculty positions and has received accolades as a nationally renowned lecturer, training thousands of police officers, lawyers, prosecutors, and judges.

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(Members will receive priority registration)

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LE Defensive Driving for Sedans, SUV's & Pick-up Trucks

Autobahn Country Club of Joliet
3795 Centerpoint Way; Joliet, IL 60436

Tuesday; September 2, 2025

8:00 am till 5:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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|---|--------------------------------------|
| • Civil Rights | 0.5 Hour |
| • Const. Use of LE Authority | 0.5 Hour |
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- Vehicle dynamics training
- Skid control recovery

❖ *To facilitate this one-day program, breakfast and lunch are provided on site.*

Requirements:

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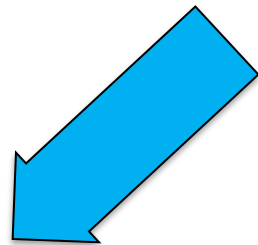
Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

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LE Defensive Driving for Sedans, SUV's & Pick-up Trucks

Autobahn Country Club of Joliet
3795 Centerpoint Way; Joliet, IL 60436

Tuesday; September 9, 2025

8:00 am till 5:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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|---|--------------------------------------|
| • Civil Rights | 0.5 Hour |
| • Const. Use of LE Authority | 0.5 Hour |
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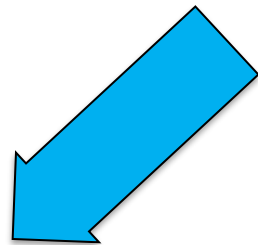
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Non-Member Tuition: None

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LE Defensive Driving for Sedans, SUV's & Pick-up Trucks

Autobahn Country Club of Joliet
3795 Centerpoint Way; Joliet, IL 60436

Tuesday; September 16, 2025

8:00 am till 5:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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|---|--------------------------------------|
| • Civil Rights | 0.5 Hour |
| • Const. Use of LE Authority | 0.5 Hour |
| • Officer safety techniques, including cover, concealment, and time | 2.0 Hours (2.0 Hours Scenario-Based) |

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- Vehicle dynamics training
- Skid control recovery

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Requirements:

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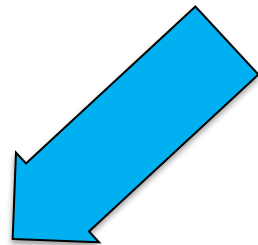
Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

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Basic Marine Law Enforcement Officer Training

Presented by Maritime Responder Training Services, LLC

Will County Sheriff's Department

16911 W. Laraway Rd., Joliet, IL. 60433

Tuesday-Thursday; September 16-18, 2025

8:00 am till 4:00 pm



NEW

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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| • Const. Use of LE Authority | 2.0 Hours |
| • Emergency medical response training and certification | 4.0 Hours (2 Hours Scenario-Based) |
| • Officer safety techniques, including cover, concealment, and time | 6.0 Hours (6 Hours Scenario-Based) |
| • Lead Homicide investigator | 24.0 Hours (6 Hours Scenario Based) |

Priority registration will be given to members who have marine rescue watercraft. Therefore, registrants should indicate such while registering.

Course Description:

This course is structured to give Law Enforcement Officers the knowledge and skills necessary to operate in the maritime environment to include enforcement, search, rescue, and recovery. This course consists of both classroom and scenario-based training on the water.

Topics Discussed:

The objective of this course is to give Law Enforcement Officers the knowledge and skills necessary to enforce all maritime state laws as well as local and county ordinances and to promote safe boating to include: responding to calls for assistance in the maritime environment, responding to boating accidents, search/rescue/recovery operations and sonar operations for death investigations/body recovery.

What to bring:

Students should bring any department issued water rescue equipment available, i.e., PFD, throw bags, rescue lines, rescue watercraft etc. If you do not have any equipment, we will provide everything you need for the water portion of the training.

Instructor: Mike Johnson of Maritime Responder Training Services, LLC.

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

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Adaptive Decision Making for Law Enforcement

New Lenox Police Department

200 Veterans Parkway, New Lenox, IL. 60451

Friday, September 19, 2025

8:00 am till 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

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|------------------------------|----------|
| • Civil Rights | 1.0 Hour |
| • Const. Use of LE Authority | 1.0 Hour |
| • Procedural Justice | 1.0 Hour |
| • Use of Force | 1.0 Hour |

Course Description: The law enforcement environment can often be described as one that is a non-linear, open loop system, that happens at light speed. One where time can be either friend or foe. Operating in this environment creates stress which affects decision-making. Within this time-compressed environment officers often feel they need to act because they are there, rather than allowing the circumstances of the call to determine the urgency to act. The question is how to provide a strategy for officers to effectively control the stress response and to make lawful and ethical decisions. The answer is two-fold; 1) Emotional Intelligence and 2) The Adaptive Decision-Making Model. The Adaptive Decision-Making Model addresses lawful and ethical decision-making. The model's foundation is the 4th Amendment Search and Seizure law. It asks, "Does the officer have the lawful authority to act or search or arrest?" Then examines the urgency to take an action, or what threshold of "government intrusion" will be acceptable to accomplish the law objective? This engaging workshop provides the attendees with strategies to increase their emotional intelligence competencies and develop their critical thinking and decision-making skills.

Course topics include:

- The 5 Pillars of Emotional Intelligence
- The Law Enforcement Environment
- Decision-making and Thinking Mental Models
- The Adaptive Decision-Making Model

NOTE: Participants must bring a laptop computer or tablet capable of connecting to the Internet. The participant's e-device must have a PDF reader (Adobe Reader Recommended). All course materials are provided through Google Drive. If you have any I/T questions, please contact the instructor at (847) 644-6437

Instructor: Thomas Dworak is a retired Sergeant (31 years) from a suburban Chicago police department where he was the Field Training and Evaluation Program Coordinator and the Lead Defensive Tactics/Use of Force Instructor. Thom facilitates training throughout the country in Field Training, Instructor Development, Leadership, Use of Force, Defensive Tactics and is a core instructor for Below 100. He holds the position of adjunct faculty at the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy at the College of Du Page providing instruction to recruits in defensive tactics and scenario-based training. Thom is a court recognized expert in police practices and use of force. He is a member of the International Law Enforcement Educators and Trainers Association (ILEETA), an annual ILEETA conference presenter and the Instructor Development Section Editor for the ILEETA Journal. Follow Thom on Twitter @dworakt

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

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Exploring the Sexual & Violent Offender



Plainfield Fire Protection District Headquarters
23748 W. 135th St., Plainfield, IL. 60544
Monday-Tuesday; September 22-23, 2025
8:00 am till 4:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

- | | |
|------------------------------|------------|
| • Civil Rights | 0.5 Hour |
| • Const. Use of LE Authority | 1.0 Hour |
| • Crisis Intervention | 1.0 Hour |
| • Human Rights | 2.0 Hours |
| • Procedural Justice | 9.5 Hours |
| • Specialized: | |
| ○ Lead Homicide Investigator | 16.0 Hours |

Course Description: This 16-hour course is designed to increase the officer's knowledge of sexual predators, violent predators & psychopaths. The information presented will increase investigation, interview and interrogation skills. Students will receive in-depth instruction on the investigation and understanding of sexual predators, violent offenders, psychopaths, as well as crime victims' response. The training will provide students with the skills and knowledge to effectively interview victims and perpetrators of sexual and violent crimes.

Goals include:

- Identifying & understanding the characteristics and typologies of the sexual offender and violent offender and identify forensic and clinical concerns, personality, offender strategies, grooming strategies.
- Understanding the role alcohol plays in sexual offenses & violent offenses.
- Understanding the role that pornography plays in reinforcing sexual offense behavior.
- Understanding the psychopathic abuser & psychopathic sexual offender.
- Understanding how to investigate, interrogate, and assess the sexual offender and violent offender and how to gather pertinent and invaluable information.
- Understand strategies to effectively interview sex offenders, including juvenile and adult male and female offenders, victims, and psychopaths.
- Learning to detect truth from deception via clinical interview & interrogation & how to effectively interview/interrogate the sexual offender & violent offender.
- Identifying and understanding the profiling strategies necessary to develop a useful and effective profile of a violent offender.

Instructor: Scott A. Johnson, MA, LP, has a Master's Degree in Counseling & Psychological Services from St. Mary's College. He is a Licensed Psychologist (Minnesota). He has over 33 years-experience addressing sexual predators as a forensic psychologist, author, educator, and police trainer. He trains and consults with law enforcement and U.S. Probation nationwide addressing sexual predators and violent offenders. He was involved in the civil commitment of sexual predators for the state of Minnesota for several years. He has taught at numerous colleges and universities. He is the author of several book chapters, booklets, research, numerous journal articles and other professional materials. Mr. Johnson is a forensic psychologist. He is a regular guest on Nancy Grace.

Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

(Members receive priority in registration)

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LE Defensive Driving for Sedans, SUV's & Pick-up Trucks

Autobahn Country Club of Joliet
3795 Centerpoint Way; Joliet, IL 60436

Tuesday; September 23, 2025

8:00 am till 5:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

- | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| • Civil Rights | 0.5 Hour |
| • Const. Use of LE Authority | 0.5 Hour |
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Requirements:

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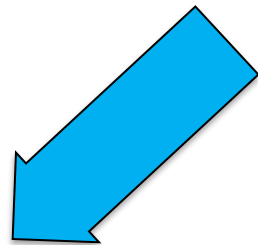
Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

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LE Defensive Driving for Sedans, SUV's & Pick-up Trucks

Autobahn Country Club of Joliet
3795 Centerpoint Way; Joliet, IL 60436

Tuesday; September 30, 2025

8:00 am till 5:00 pm

This course complies with the guidelines of the following mandate(s):

- | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| • Civil Rights | 0.5 Hour |
| • Const. Use of LE Authority | 0.5 Hour |
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Member Tuition: None

Non-Member Tuition: None

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