

# Northwest Illinois Criminal Justice Commission

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## **Essentials of Modern Policing**

DATE: September 14, 2020

Registration Ends: September 7, 2020

**TIME:** 8:00 AM—4:00 PM

8 Hours

LOCATION: Dixon Police Department, 220 S. Hennepin Ave, Dixon, IL

INSTRUCTOR: Michael Schlosser, Ph.D. Director Police Training

#### COURSE CONTENT:

## **Essentials of Modern Policing**

This course will cover essential elements for effective policing, including de-escalation training, citizen rights, proper use of force, community policing, and the ability to successfully police in a multiracial society. Practical communication skills can assist law enforcement in preventing unnecessary injuries to both officers and citizens while reducing liability exposure to agencies and units of government. This training will include communication skills necessary to avoid escalation in potentially intensifying circumstances. If events worsen, participants will learn verbal and non-verbal skills for de-escalating potentially violent encounters. Based on current events, it is imperative that officers recognize the rights of citizens to peacefully assemble and express their first amendment rights – versus situations that would justify an arrest. Officers must respect the U.S. Constitution, have a strong understanding of the proper use of force, and remain current on prevailing case law and U.S. Supreme Court decisions. This training will also examine community policing initiatives and nationwide best practices for building community trust. Instruction will include video examples of contemporary events.

### **Topics include:**

- · Non-Escalation Skill Development
- · De-Escalation Skill Development
- Use of Force Strategies
- · Reasonable Force Standards
- · Civil Rights and Legal Issues
- First Amendment Gatherings
- · Constitutional Limits on Police Authority
- The Intersection of Police and Race
- · How Confirmation Biases Shape our World View
- · The Role of Implicit Bias
- · Research Based Community Policing Initiatives
- · Building Community Trust



## About the Instructor:

**Dr. Michael Schlosser** is Director of the Police Training Institute (PTI) at the University of Illinois. 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 (2011). He retired as a Lieutenant from the Rantoul Police Department after 20 years of service. During that time, he held positions as field training officer and supervisor, detective, juvenile officer, wellness director, control tactics instructor, and canine supervisor. Dr. Schlosser has worked for PTI since 1998 and has been a full-time instructor since his retirement in 2004. His instructor certifications include 8th Degree Black Belt in Shotokan Karate-Do, Master Arrest and Control Tactics Instructor, Taser Instructor, O.C. Spray Instructor, Verbal Defense and Influence Instructor, and Certified Fitness Trainer.

Dr. Schlosser is credited for groundbreaking efforts toward police reform through implementation of innovative curricula for improving police practices. These include courses on Policing in a Multiracial Society, Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Questionable (LGBTQ) Ally Training, Understanding Victims of Sexual Assault, Police Officer Wellness, and Wrongful Convictions. These courses were implemented pre-Ferguson. Post-Ferguson brought about many recommended and required courses for police training. These courses, combined with PTI's overall emphasis on non-escalation training, de-escalation training, and community policing, through intensive integrated scenario-based training, have put the Police Training Institute on the cutting edge of police reform and improving the practice of law enforcement.

Dr. Schlosser, through PTI, has been involved in numerous research projects in collaboration with various colleges at the University of Illinois. His research projects have included: Infusing Community Policing Strategies into Hot Spots; Policing Practices: The Impacts on Police-Community Relations in a Mid-Sized City (NIJ grant); Policing in a Multiracial Society; Officer Wellness: Police Recruit Perspectives on Policing; and Recruit Officer Self-efficacy in Defensive Tactics. Dr. Schlosser has authored dozens of articles, made numerous radio and television appearances, and given over 100 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.

Partial funding provided by Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board and MTU#1's request for certification of this course has been approved by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board

#### **REGISTRATION:**

All registrations are received on the MTU#1 website. Find Registration instructions here

This class has been approved by ILETSB for the following mandates:		
Mandated Annually		
Mandated once every 3 years (begin 1/1/16)		
□ Civil Rights    □ Constitutional and proper use of law enforcement authority		
□ Cultural competency	☑ Procedural Justice	☐ Human Rights
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Mandated once every 3 years (begin 1/1/17 all/ within 2 yrs. for investigators)		
☐ Sexual Assault Trauma Informed Response		
☐ Sexual Assault Trauma Informed Investigator		
Mandated once every 3 years (begin?)		
☐ Mental Health Awareness		
Mandated 32 hours every four years after initial training		
☐ Lead Homicide Investigator training		