

Interview & Interrogation Course Outline

Instructor: Tim Randall- Sgt. Tim Randall (Retired) served with the Nampa Idaho Police Department for 31 years. He was assigned as a criminal investigator for 21 of those 31 years. As a lead investigator and supervisor, he conducted and assisted in hundreds of investigations. These include homicides, suicides, child abuse, rape, robbery and internal investigations.

Tim has served in many positions to include, patrol, patrol supervisor, criminal investigations, CID supervisor, SWAT, school resource officer, internal affairs and polygraph examiner.

Tim has served as the supervisor of the Operations of Professional Standard Division and was responsible for recruitment, hiring, and background investigations. Tim currently works for the Twin Falls, Idaho Police Department responsible for hiring and background investigations. Tim also works as an independent contractor conducting background and internal investigations for many agencies.

Tim has been an Idaho POST certified instructor for over 25 years in interview & interrogation, SWAT, chemical munitions, child abuse, elder abuse and juvenile procedures.

Course Description:

Best Practices

Miranda, case law, and documenting interviews.

Profile of a Successful Interviewer

Basic skills needed for an interview and interrogation. Posture, eye contact, tone of voice, and building rapport.

Interview preparation

Room setting, case preparation, and background investigation.

The Interview Process

Question formulation, the don'ts of interviewing, telephone interviews, the cognitive interview, memory retrieval techniques, and corroboration process.

Behavioral Symptom Analysis

Physiological and psychological principles of behavior symptom analysis, and distinguishing deceptive response.

Behavioral Analysis Interview

A questioning process to elicit verbal and non-verbal indicators of truthful and deceptive responses.

The Interrogation Process

Interrogation theme, handling denials, signs of surrender, alternatives, and false confessions.

Day 1

8-12noon

Miranda

Case Law

Documenting Interviews

Profile of a Successful Interviewer

1pm -5pm

Room Setting

Case Preparation

Background Investigation

Day 2

8am-12noon

Question Formulation

The Don'ts of Interviewing,
telephone interviews

The Cognitive Interview

Memory Retrieval Techniques

1pm-5pm

Behavioral Symptom Analysis

Behavioral Analysis Interview

Day 3

8am-12pm

The Interrogation Process

Interrogation Theme

Handling Denials

Signs of Surrender

Alternatives

False Confessions