

## Instructional Biography

# John W. Newton

Captain (Retired), MSCJA

**John Newton** retired as a Captain from the Greenfield, MA Police Department in 2012 after a 32-year career in policing. John earned a Bachelor of Science in Law Enforcement and Master's degree in Criminal Justice Administration from Western New England University in Springfield, MA. He has been an adjunct instructor and periodic curriculum developer for the Massachusetts Municipal Police Training Committee (MPTC) since 1983 and has taught myriad subject areas at the reserve, recruit officer, specialized, supervisory and managerial levels. John has managed and coordinated several MPTC Reserve-Intermittent Police Officer training programs and served on the MPTC Legal Update Statewide Steering committee for six years.

In October of 2011, John was offered the opportunity to participate in a complete curriculum revision of the existing MPTC Instructor Development program which he accepted and has served on the Statewide Instructor Development Steering Committee since that time. John's focus in the re-write was in the areas of Ethics and Integrity and Instructional Design. John has also been an active MPTC Level IV Master instructor trainer since joining the Steering Committee. John has led the development of a Facilitated Learning for Trainers curriculum and has been one of only several certified Field Training and Evaluation Program trainers for the MPTC since 2007 and has been an FTO Statewide Steering Committee member involved in a 2019 complete program revision and new paradigm development of the MPTC Field Training and Evaluation certification program.

From September 2013 through May of 2017, John was a full-time Associate Professor with the Odessa College Criminal Justice program in Odessa, Texas and continues with the college as an adjunct professor in an online instructional capacity. While at Odessa College, John accepted the added role of restructuring and re-instituting a Law Enforcement Training Academy on the Odessa College campus. John managed the application process with the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE), drafted the academy operations manual as well as a staff instructor guide and related documents. John also structured the academy curriculum on the college online learning management system and commenced the work on curriculum development based on TCOLE and Texas Workforce Education Course (WECM) mandates to ensure required standards were adhered to.

John's primary focal areas of study and specialization are Instructor Development, Instructional System Design, Field Training Officer Programs and Development as well as Ethics. John maintains professional affiliations and memberships with the Institute for Law Enforcement Administration (ILEA) – Center for Law Enforcement Ethics as well as the National Association of Field Training Officers (NAFTO).

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