



Thursday, January 18<sup>th</sup>  
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# Common Instructional Mistakes in the Law Enforcement Classroom

## **DESCRIPTION:**

This one-hour block of instruction will cover common mistakes instructors make in the law enforcement classroom. Instructor development is a skill that all instructors should strive to improve throughout their career.

The goal of any instructor should be for the students to have a positive interaction and gain a broader knowledge base. This goal can be accomplished by understanding how students learn and utilizing a wide variety of instructional techniques.

## **LEARNING OBJECTIVES:**

1. Common issues at the beginning of a course.
2. Student and instructor introduction mistakes.
3. How to turn excessive lecture into a facilitated discussion.
4. How to convert excessive PowerPoint information into a learning activity.
5. How to successfully move through the “Awkward Silence” when no one is answering the question.
6. How to assure all students participate in the classroom.
7. How to properly determine if the students have gained knowledge.

## **SPONSOR:**



## **INSTRUCTOR: BRENT STALKER**

**Brent Stalker** is a Lieutenant with the Fresno County Sheriff's Department. He has been a Deputy Sheriff since 1996 and promoted to Lieutenant in 2015. As a Deputy Sheriff, Brent has had the opportunity to work many different assignments including: three years as a Field Training Officer and three years as a Property Crimes Detective. Brent spent seven years working as a Patrol Sergeant, three years as the Administration Sergeant for Court Services, and three years as the Sergeant in charge of the Fresno County Sheriff's Office Civil Unit. His experience as a Sergeant assigned to these different units has given him experience in uncommon areas of Law Enforcement.

After promoting to Lieutenant, Brent spent two years assigned to Human Resources, two years assigned to Internal Affairs, two years as an Area Commander, and is currently assigned to the Training Unit. These assignments have given him experience with the hiring process for Law Enforcement of all ranks, valuable knowledge in backgrounds, pre-employment polygraphs, and training trends.

Brent has been an instructor at the Fresno City College Police Academy since 1998. He is the lead instructor for the Field Training Officer 40-hour course and Field Training Update course. He also instructs in the Background Investigator course, Supervisor course, and Dispatch course.

Brent is part of the California Commission on Peace Officer Standards (POST) and Training Quality Assessment Program (QAP).

As part of this program, Brent has audited several courses to evaluate the design and delivery of POST certified courses.

Brent has a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminology and a Master's degree in Public Administration from California State University, Fresno.

## **REGISTRATION LINK:**

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