



Law Enforcement Training Advisory Commission

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Officer Survival & Communication Spanish Level I

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8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

LETAC Training Center

840 Spring Street, Suite B, Springfield, IL

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Meets the following mandated training requirements: Civil Rights, Cultural Competency, Human Rights, Constitutional & Proper Use Authority, Procedural Justice, Law Updates & Use of Force

INSTRUCTOR: Adam Chacon is a 26-year veteran in law enforcement, 24 years with the Urbana, Illinois Police Department. He has been an adjunct faculty member at the Police Training Institute (PTI), University of Illinois at Urbana/Champaign since 1994. Adam is a native Spanish speaker and served as the only bilingual hostage negotiator for the Champaign County METRO/SWAT. He supervised the Hostage Negotiations unit for METRO/SWAT 2005-2008 and worked with multiple state, county and municipal Illinois agencies, the FBI, DEA and U.S. Marshall's Service on cases involving Spanish language. In addition to all of his duty-related activities, Adam has taught over 2,800 hours of Spanish training in the last 16 years

ABOUT THE CLASS: This course is designed to benefit law enforcement officers, regardless of their knowledge of the Spanish language. It is intended to provide the students with the skills to:

- * Make arrests and control their surroundings to enhance officer safety
- * Navigate legal and cultural issues pertaining to the language
- * Effectively gather accurate biographical information
- * Understand the construction of Latino names
- * Use interview control to effectively interact with Spanish speakers
- * Be familiar with street slang, gang slang, drug and weapons terms for threat recognition
- * Hands-on practical exercises

This is accomplished through lecture, intensive and repetitive drills, utilization of contextual vocabulary, real world examples and case studies. These classes are highly interactive, to increase retention. The students will be introduced to court cases resulting from language issues, subtle differences in word definitions that could negatively impact their

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arrests and interviews, and simple, yet powerful ways to control conversations. Students will also be taught key phrases and interview-control methods to adapt to almost any situation, obtaining valuable information from Spanish speakers, over and above the limitations of their Spanish vocabularies. As part of the class offering, students will receive a class handout and a practice audio CD.

Non-Member Tuition: \$50.00. Non-Member tuition shall apply to civilians, officers from State/Federal agencies, and officers from Local Law Enforcement agencies which are not a member of any MTU. **It is intended to cover the costs of handout materials provided for the class only.** Tuition will be invoiced to departments upon course completion. If a pre-registered student from a Non-Member agency fails to attend training, and the agency fails to provide advance notice within 7 days of the start date of that class, the agency will be invoiced the entire amount of the student's tuition.

To Register: Email registration to register@letac.org. You may also fill out and submit our online registration form through the website at www.letac.org or call 217-726-7014 to register by phone (be sure to include all pertinent information). MTU #10 local member department officers will be given registration preference until seven days prior to the date of class. After that date, registrations will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis, regardless of MTU status. We cannot accept registrations from individual officers. All registrations must go through your Chief, Sheriff, or department training office, even if you are attending class on your own time.

Cancellation: If a class must be canceled for any reason, every effort will be made to do so at least 2 weeks before the class is scheduled to begin. However, there are circumstances where last minute cancellation is out of our control. All officers who have been registered for training will be contacted at the email address given at registration, so please be sure to provide an email address which is checked often. Cancellations will also be posted to our mailing list and our Facebook and Twitter accounts.