



PROFESSIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

Understanding and Managing Law Enforcement Temporal Arrest-Related Deaths

January 29 and 30th, 2020 · 8:00A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

(16 hours of P.O.S.T. credit)

Hosted at Valdosta State University
Sponsored by The Center for Applied Social Sciences

1203 N. Patterson Street (University Center's Magnolia room) Valdosta, GA 31698

While rare in occurrence, law enforcement temporal arrest-related deaths (ARDs) involve numerous and complex issues including: use of force options and restraint equipment, medical and mental health issues, determination of causes and manners of death, and various legal issues. This seminar provides an assessment of ARD-related incidents involving use of force options, prone restraint, weight force, various restraint devices, CEWs and other intermediate weapons, and liability issues involving multiple-officer response. Law enforcement response to the mentally impaired and those under the influence of chemical substances, including excited delirium syndrome (ExDS) based on the current scientific research are discussed. Common liability issues and the use of force criteria applied by the courts are addressed, as well as examining policy and training issues, assessing officer decision making/field applications, and applicable supervisory issues are also examined. Participants will gain new knowledge and skills in order to return to their agency to update policy and training, improve field response, and enhance administrative review of the incident.

Presenters

Darrell L. Ross, Ph. D., is a professor and department head for the Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminal Justice at Valdosta State University, and is the Director of the Center of Applied Social Sciences. He worked for the MI Department of Corrections, as a correction officer, Unit Manager/Supervisor of a psychiatric cell block with 500 prisoners, and as a probation officer. He taught defensive tactics in the corrections academy, the police academy at Ferris State University, and as an Advisory Board Member he has taught Pressure Point Control Tactics (PPCT) to thousands of instructors nationally and internationally. Dr. Ross has published over 100 peer-reviewed journal articles and 5 books, many on the training topic. Dr. Ross has provided training on issues of using force nationally and internationally in over 900 seminars. He regularly provides consulting services and expert witness testimony in civil and criminal courts, on the use of force and arrest-related/custodial deaths. He is a certified TASER Instructor, Bola Restraint Instructor, and certified by the GA POST.

Michael Brave, J.D., M.S., is a Member/Manager of LAAW International, LLC., is an attorney, consultant, trainer, and sworn police officer. He is an International Association of Directors of Law Enforcement Standards and Training (IADLEST) National Certified Instructor (NCI) and International Certified Instructor (IICI). His experience includes involvement in a wide-range of comprehensive law enforcement risk/liability and litigation management services. He has presented on force options and other subjects over 1000 times nationally and internationally. He serves as Director, CEW [Conducted Energy Weapon] Legal for Axon Enterprise, Inc. and Director of the Science and Medical Research Group. He is a CEW Master Instructor, designated CEW Person Most Knowledgeable, and Legal Advisor Member of the Axon Scientific and Medical Advisory Board and formerly Axon Training Board. He routinely provides expert witness testimony on the police use of force and temporal death incidents.

The course tuition is free. Law enforcement officers, administrators, instructors, correction officers, investigators, emergency response personnel, medical examiners/coroners, risk managers, and attorneys will benefit from this 16-hour course. **Register by emailing Sergeant Michael Browning mrbrowning@valdosta.edu **