

Homicide:

The Investigative Challenge

Natural Death • Undetermined Death • Accidental Death
• Suicide • Homicide • Continued Investigation

Course Objectives:

Other types of death investigations will be covered: autoerotic deaths, non-vehicular deaths (including airline crashes), suicides and unattended natural deaths.

Autoerotic Deaths:

These types of deaths are some of the most unique and challenging cases an officer will face.

Non-Vehicular Deaths:

These types of deaths have a propensity for ending up in civil court and require in-depth and thorough investigations.

Suicides:

Suicides have a multitude of problems that face the investigator. The analysis of these problems will provide the investigator with the skills and tools necessary to objectively examine these cases.

Unattended Natural Deaths:

Most state laws and all the families of a victim(s) who die in apparently good health, require answers and an assurance the death was natural.

Deaths Involving the Use of Force:

Deadly force and the multitude of subjects in dealing with its application by officers, as well as, the deaths of officers in the line of duty will be discussed. Attendees will be provided with the skills that are critical to the understanding of the dynamics and problems that occur during these types of cases.



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Instructor:

David W. Rivers, Sgt. (Retired)
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David Rivers retired as a Detective Sergeant in the Homicide Bureau of the Metro-Dade Police Department after 27 years of service. David was assigned to the Homicide Bureau for 20 of those 27 years, 4 years as a Detective and 16 years as a supervisor. In those capacities he conducted and assisted in several hundred death investigations including homicides, suicides, non-vehicular accidental deaths and numerous officer involved shootings. On April 11, 1986 he was assigned as the supervisor of the F.B.I. Shooting in Miami which, to date, is still the largest shootout in the Bureau's history. In 1988 he was assigned as the supervisor of the "Cold Case Squad" which was responsible for continuing investigation of information received on over 1,800 open homicides dating back to 1951. Additionally he has consulted on cases in Canada, Holland, United Kingdom as well as the United States. He has a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice from Nova University and a Master of Science in Criminal Justice from Florida International University. David is a Charter Member and past member of the Board of Directors of the International Homicide Investigator's Association. In 2012 he received an Excellence and Live Time Achievement Award from the I.H.I.A. for death investigation and training. Additionally, he is a member of several state homicide investigators associations. He is a current member of International Law Enforcement Educators and Training Association (I.L.E.E.T.A.), International Police Association I.P.A. Region 43, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (A.C.J.S.) and the Police Section of A.C.J.S.: In April of 2010 he was certified as a Force Analyst by the Force Science (R) Institute Limited. He again attended the certification course in 2017 (as a refresher). He is currently the President of Voice & Ink Enterprises, Inc., a Florida Corporation that specializes in law enforcement training and expert witness testimony. David has been teaching law enforcement officers since 1981 and is currently an instructor for the Legal & Liability Risk Management Institute. He has instructed law enforcement officers in 48 states and three foreign companies. He specializes in Homicide Investigation and Officer Involved Shootings.

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This two and a half day training module will provide the attendee with the skills and competency to conduct complete and thorough homicide investigations with prosecutorial merit. Additionally, the attendee will be provided with the skills to recognize and handle other types of death investigations, bringing them to a successful conclusion.

At the beginning of the class a case will be examined through discussion, question and answers, as well as, an evaluation of evidence discovered by student observations. After the discussion the students will evaluate whether the classification of the case should be accidental death, suicide or homicide.

The class will cover three basic steps in all homicide investigations: Crime Scene, Follow-up and Case Courtroom presentation.

Crime Scene:

This block will cover the most recent and important relevant court decision regarding search and seizure, as well as, some basic techniques and definitions.

Follow-up:

The follow up phrase is the “detecting” phase. Some of the topics discussed will be interviews, area canvases, technology, Miranda and other court decisions, as well as, some ethnic and cultural issues.

Case and Courtroom Presentation:

Attendees will examine some suggestions provided by defense attorneys, judges and prosecutors on how to be a better witness and how to be better prepared for court.

A brief history of the Cold Case Squads, their makeup and how they have evolved over the years will be discussed. Students will learn the 12 basic steps to re-opening and managing unresolved cases. Some successful cold case prosecutions will be discussed.

Seminar Agenda Homicide: The Investigative Challenge

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Monday, June 17, 2019

8:00 a.m.—8:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m.—10:00 a.m. (With Breaks)	Registration Introduction Class Exercise-Homicide Case Accidental Death Homicide Suicide Natural
10:00 a.m.—11:30 a.m.	Three (3) Basic Steps of a Homicide Investigation Court Decisions, Search & Seizure Relative to Homicide Investigations
11:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.	Lunch (On Your Own)
12:30 p.m.—4:30 p.m. (With Breaks)	Second Phase of a Homicide Investigation Detecting Phase “Follow-Up” Interviews Area Canvass Miranda Ethnic & Cultural Issues Third Phase Case & Courtroom Presentation

Tuesday, June 18, 2019

8:00 a.m.—11:30 a.m. (With Breaks)	Cold Case Homicides 12 Steps to Re-opening & Managing Unresolved Cases Dealing with the Media Next of Kin Notification
11:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.	Lunch (On Your Own)
12:30 p.m.—4:30 p.m. (With Breaks)	Unique Death Investigations Autoerotic Deaths Non-Vehicular Accidental Deaths Suicides Unattended Natural Deaths

Wednesday, June 19, 2019

8:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. (With Breaks)	Deaths Involving Use of Force Investigating Officers Deaths
12:00 p.m.	Certificate Presentation

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2. **Fax Form: 317-386-8228**
3. **Mail Form** to:

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Seminar Title:	Homicide: The Investigative Challenge	Seminar ID #15032
Instructor:	David Rivers	
Seminar Location:	Columbus Police Training Academy 1000 North Hague Avenue Columbus, Ohio 43204	Note: To receive special room rates, please identify yourself with GROUP CODE # 2373759
When:	June 17, 18 & 19, 2019	
Registration Time:	8:00 a.m. (June 17, 2019)	
Hotel Reservations:	Drury Inn & Suites/Columbus Convention 88 East Nationwide Blvd Columbus, Ohio 43215 1-800-325-0720 \$ 90.00 Single or Double (plus tax) (Special Rate ends 5/17/2019)	
Registration Fee	\$295.00 Includes: Homicide: The Investigative Challenge Training Manual, and Certificate of Completion.	

Names of Attendees 1. _____
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