

Ohio High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area

2018 Training Schedule



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“The mission of the Training Initiative is to improve the ability of the Ohio HIDTA to counter drug trafficking. Selective training opportunities, provided in support of HIDTA initiatives and law enforcement agencies within the HIDTA, will contribute directly toward accomplishing this objective. This will be achieved by providing timely, relevant training that will enhance the knowledge, skills and performance of all participating Ohio HIDTA law enforcement and support personnel.”

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**ADDITIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT CLASSES
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Law Enforcement Training Schedule for 2018

Searches & Seizures (JP Nixon)	Ohio HIDTA	April 9 - 10, 2018
Proactive & Undercover Investigations (JP Nixon)	Ohio HIDTA	April 11 - 13, 2018
Cell Phone use in Drug Trafficking Investigations (NCTC)	Ohio HIDTA	May 3 - 4, 2018
Courtroom Testimony in Narcotics Cases (NCTC)	Ohio HIDTA	May 16 - 17, 2018
Drug Interdiction & Conducting the Complete Traffic Stop (NCTC)	Ohio HIDTA	June 7 - 8, 2018
Fentanyl: Drug Trends, Investigations & Officer Safety (PLE)	Florence KY Government Bldg.	June 11 – 12, 2018
Social Media & Internet Investigations (INIA)	Ohio HIDTA	July 9 – 10, 2018
Knock & Talk Operation Techniques (PLE)	Ohio HIDTA	July 12, 2018
Tactical De-escalation Techniques (PLE)	Ohio HIDTA	July 13, 2018
Introduction to Narco-Terrorism (NCTC)	Ohio HIDTA	July 25 - 27, 2018
Spanish for Law Enforcement – Level 1 (Steve Gaenzle)	Ohio HIDTA	July 31 – Aug. 2, 2018
Opiates, Street, Script & Synthetic (INIA)	Ohio HIDTA	August 7, 2018
Title III Wire-Tap Investigations (INIA)	Ohio HIDTA	August 27 – 28, 2018
Street Gang Narcotics Investigations (NCTC)	Ohio HIDTA	August 29 - 31, 2018

Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to:

- Describe the factors leading to gang membership
- Relate to the individual gang member for the purpose of developing rapport, developing informants, information, and inhibiting gang membership
- Identify existing and emerging street gangs and their signs within the student's respective jurisdiction
- Describe and identify crimes relating to and committed by gangs in their own jurisdiction
- Develop a synergistic team to combat gangs in their respective jurisdiction
- Locate appropriate resources to assist in the endeavor to identify and combat gangs in the student's respective jurisdiction
- Interact with street gangs in a safer manner

Course Dates & Times:

**(2 days)
8:00 am – 4:00 pm**

**May 3 - 4, 2018
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Courtroom Testimony in Narcotics Cases (50 student maximum)

This course is designed to improve your skills in testimony, to increase your awareness of the court system processes, and guide you to better understand your important role which will increase your ability to be successful. One of the most important tools often overlooked during the training cycle of law enforcement officers throughout their careers is how to win in court. Those involved with investigative and enforcement activities should be aware that successful law enforcement initiatives do not end at the conclusion of an investigation, arrest, and/or issuance of a traffic citation. In fact, the investigation, arrest, or citation is only the beginning stage of many, in what appears to be a never-ending legal process. It is only at the end of this entire process that includes and encompasses the totality of the prosecution, defense, and trial phase of a case that results in a conclusion for the officers involved.

Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to:

- Demonstrate testimony skills in narcotics investigations
- Display an increased knowledge and awareness of the court process
- Exhibit the understanding of language pragmatics during cross examination
- Recognize the anticipation of defense strategies and tactics
- Describe the importance of narcotics evidence and preparation prior to trial for its presentation
- Demonstrate knowledge of the importance of proper narcotics and its relevance during testimony
- Exhibit the understanding of the necessity of pre-criminal trial preparation relationship with the prosecutor
- List civil litigation awareness, preparation, and testimony strategies
- Display an understanding of how to minimize testimony pitfalls
- Describe basic common definitions for testimony validity

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Drug Interdiction & Conducting the Complete Traffic Stop
(50 student maximum)

The Drug Interdiction and Conducting Complete Traffic Stops is a two-day, sixteen-hour course. It is designed to prepare law enforcement officers with the knowledge to conduct successful interdiction stops. Our team of instructors will discuss the most up-to-date criminal patrol techniques currently used on our nation's highways. We will explain how to successfully conduct safe, legal and professional traffic stops.

The roadside interview is a very important component of working criminal interdiction. Our training seminar is intended to prepare officers with advanced skills when conducting the roadside interview. Detecting deception and understanding verbal and non-verbal communication is essential to law enforcement.

Our staff will review past roadside interdiction stops utilizing dash camera footage. We will examine these past cases and go in depth to study the many lessons learned. Officer safety is the main priority when conducting traffic stops. During our course, we will discuss the three levels of threat and other officer safety related topics.

Learning how to detect possible criminal behavior in vehicles is just one of the many tactics we teach our students. Our staff will go into great detail on possible vehicle indicators and how to successfully interdict criminals. Indicators are not illegal, but could lead to raising an officer's suspicion of criminal activity.

Learning traffic patterns and professional smuggling routes can help officers better understand how contraband is moved throughout the United States. We will expose students to the latest concealment methods, hidden compartments, and natural voids used by professional smugglers. We will demonstrate how to use a systematic approach when searching vehicles. In addition to this course, each student will receive a one-hour professional DVD. This video will focus on hidden compartments and natural voids on more than fifteen vehicles.

Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to:

Describe the relationship between increased traffic enforcement & reduction of drug trafficking

- Describe several case studies to show how traffic enforcement reduces drug trafficking
- Identify certain indicators of criminal activity and their meaning
- Describe reasons and justifications for traffic stops
- Describe and understand pre-textual stops
- Describe types of searches
- Describe techniques for the officer to use at the stop

- Symptoms of Exposure
- Response to Accidental Exposure
- Overdose Death Investigations
- Preservation of Evidence during Active Investigation both on Patrol & Undercover Operations
- Packaging and Distribution Methods
- Undercover Operations involving Heroin/Fentanyl
- Current Fentanyl Trends and Cutting Agents
- Evidence Handling & Safety Precautions

Course Date & Time: (2 days) June 11 – 12, 2018
 8:00 am – 4:00 pm Florence Government Building
 Community Room C (lower level)
 8100 Ewing Blvd.
 Florence, KY 41042

Social Media & Internet Investigations (50 student maximum)

Many of the criminal suspects today do not remember a world without the internet. This course will train officers to investigate illegal activity conducted on the internet through the use of Facebook, MySpace, Craigslist, Backpage and more. Many suspects have strayed from the use of cell phones to conduct their drug sales and have begun to use different internet methods to communicate with customers. Also officers will learn to gather information and valuable intelligence on gang members' and drug suspects through the internet. As an investigator, the internet can be a valuable resource that is not utilized to its potential. During this course, you will discover that many ways criminals are visible on the Web. Students will learn how the Internet is used to sell illegal drugs, stolen property, and prostitution through various web sites. During this course you will also be given instruction on running sting operations on the internet and the tools you will need to complete the undercover operations. You will also be instructed on how to capture photographs and discover the location the photographs were taken to help identify suspects and their residences. Instruction will be given on the different methods to capture web sites, videos and images from internet sites that will aid you in the prosecution of criminal cases. You will be given instruction, resource information, and online tools to begin these types of investigations and to give you the edge you need to be more successful.

Topics will include:

- Introduction to Social Networking and Media
- Psychology of social networking users
- Criminals and social media
- Using YouTube to your advantage
- Active social media investigation techniques
- Setting up your own covert undercover account
- Maintaining covert accounts

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8:00 am – 4:00 pm

July 9 - 10, 2018
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Knock & Talk Operations Techniques (50 student maximum)

Knock & Talk operations, when conducted properly, can be a very successful tactic to combat illegal narcotic trafficking. Officers must receive proper training and understand the limitations of knock & talks in order for this tactic to be effective. One of the most difficult aspects of conducting knock & talk operations is gaining voluntary consent to enter a residence and conduct a search. Officers must put themselves in a position to win. This starts with the initial approach to the residence, knocking on the door, and the tone and demeanor presented by the officers.

There are numerous Supreme Court rulings that dictate proper ways officers should carry out knock & talks. The 4th Amendment of the constitution governs illegal search and seizures. Officers must have a clear understanding of the 4th Amendment and current case law to legally conduct knock & talk operations.

This intense one day training course will provide in-depth information and proper techniques and tactics for officers to conduct knock & talk operations. Often times, the difference between reasonable suspicion and probable cause determines if a knock & talk violated the 4th Amendment. Officers will be presented with material to clearly define those differences. Sample policies and procedures will be provided during the course. In an effort to prevent history from repeating itself, case studies supported by video surveillance will be presented where knock & talks turned deadly.

Topics covered include:

- Up-to-Date Case Law
- Obtaining voluntary consent
- Reasonable Suspicion vs. Probable Cause
- 4th Amendment Considerations
- Drug House Indicators
- Affirmative Links
- Multiple Arrests
- Tactical Considerations
- Violent Encounters
- Implementation of Policy and Procedures
- Proper Report Writing
- Successful Prosecution

Course Date & Time: (1 day)
8:00 am – 4:00 pm

July 12, 2018
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Tactical De-escalation Techniques (50 student maximum)

Across the United States, police departments spend countless hours training officers on the use of force involving simple wrist locks and pressure points; chemical agents and physical strikes; and progressing to impact weapons and firearms. While this type of training is absolutely critical for all law enforcement officers, agencies must provide proper “Tactical De-escalation Techniques” to officers as well.

In recent years, the Department of Justice (DOJ) has entered into “Consent Decrees” with numerous agencies. As part of the consent decree, the DOJ requires agencies to train all of their officers in the use of de-escalation. The principal Deputy Attorney General has stated, “*De-escalation tactics are essential skills for police officers and departments both to help to ensure constitutional policing and to improve public safety and officer safety.*”

Regardless of an agency or officers individual views of de-escalation tactics, it **MUST** be implemented into every police departments training program. Many officers believe that the use of de-escalation techniques will jeopardize their safety and place them at a tactical disadvantage. In reality, the proper use of de-escalation has the complete opposite effect. Statistics and studies will show that it actually increases officers’ safety and places the officer in a more advantageous tactical position.

This one day training class will provide officers with the necessary tools to properly de-escalate a situation, while maintaining a tactical mindset. Officers will learn effective techniques for communicating under stress, without escalating a situation. Practical, classroom based scenarios will be presented to demonstrate these concepts. Information will also be presented on the development of reality-based, simulation training involving de-escalation techniques. This information will give officers a jump start on implementing de-escalation training within their own police departments.

Topics covered include:

- Understanding De-escalation
- Review of DOJ Mandates
- Communicating Under Stress
- Showing Empathy to Others
- Minimize Force Encounters
- Increase Officer Safety
- Reduction of Excessive Force Complaints
- Improving Public Perception
- Maintaining Tactical Mindset
- Transitioning to Force
- Reasonable and Necessary Uses of Force
- Proper Documentation
- Case Studies

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**July 13, 2018
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Introduction to Narco-Terrorism (50 student maximum)

This course will expose the narcotics nexus to all forms of terrorist organizations and how they affect the United States as well as foreign terrorist organizations threatening within our borders. A recommended proactive approach to terrorism investigations in all communities will be illustrated with an emphasis on drug-related issues. These tactics can be carried out by any law enforcement officer and will be successful in the fight against terrorism affecting the United States on the mainland. Foreign terrorist organizations such as ISIS, Al Qaeda, Hamas, Hezbollah, and FARC; domestic terrorist organizations; and localized (U.S.) narco-terrorists will be discussed. Identifying and investigating terrorist cells in the United States is a main focus of this course and every type of U.S. law enforcement officer will be shown how to use these methods in the fight against terrorism within our borders.

Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to:

- Identify the nexus between terrorism and narcotics within their jurisdictions
- Discuss the history and current threat by terrorists, especially Al Qaeda, against the US
- Discuss the potential danger of terrorism on US soil
- Identify, interdict and investigate terror cells in their respective jurisdictions
- Identify and determine the current threat of terrorism in their jurisdiction
- Increase the hardening of potential local soft targets
- Initiate an investigation to uncover such threats funding operations, and lone wolves
- Identify terrorist plots within their own jurisdictions and establish a local mechanism for weeding out such plots

Course Dates & Times:	(3 days)	July 25 - 27, 2018
	8:00 am – 4:00 pm	Ohio HIDTA
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Spanish for Law Enforcement – Level 1 (30 student maximum)

This Spanish language course is sought after throughout the country. There are more Spanish speakers in the world than English speakers. This class is a dynamic and practical 24 hour Spanish language training designed for Patrol Officers, Criminal Investigators and other first responders. Officer safety and the ability to have basic Spanish communicative skills are paramount. Through this course of training, the student will be able to read, write and speak Spanish in three verb tenses. Topics covered are: traffic stops/felony stops; drug investigations/terminology; assault and robbery investigations and more. Moreover, danger expressions and weapon terminology will be stressed to the students. Additionally, the course of training will include true to life scenarios performed by each student, facilitating Spanish language skills to be used on the street. Training will incorporate the dynamics of the Latino

family, Latino celebrations and understanding the composition of Latino names. Prior knowledge of the Spanish language is not required in this course. *This course is instructed by law enforcement for law enforcement. All aspects of this course is created and instructed to better assist law enforcement to conduct better investigations and have sharper survival skills.*

Course Objectives: Upon completion of this course, the student will have a working knowledge of the Spanish language. Each student will be able to read, write and speak Spanish in three verb tenses, past, present and future tense. Each student will have a basic knowledge of how to conjugate verbs and speak in various tenses to conduct basic investigations in the Spanish language. Students will have a greater grasp of understanding the composition of Latino names and surnames and how to effectively run names through NCIC with greater success.

Course Outline:

- Assault Investigation
- Arrest Commands
- Basic Interview and Interrogation
- Basic Spanish grammar
- Danger Expressions
- Domestic Violence Investigation
- Hispanic Culture
- How to tell time in Spanish
- Mexican Drug Underworld and associated Icons
- Officer Safety
- Street Drug Identification
- Suspect/Victim Description
- Traffic Stops/Felony Stops
- Weapons Identification

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8:00 am–4:00 pm

July 31 – Aug. 2, 2018
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Opiates, Street, Script and Synthetic: Addictive and Deadly (50 student maximum)

This class will focus on today's most abused substances; where they come from, what they look like and how their potent effects are killing individuals and devastating families. Yet, the biggest impact is usually felt on the rest of society... as drug use is not a victimless crime. An in depth discussion on loopholes on the law, lack of knowledge, limited resources and how low public expectations are impacting communities on a larger scale will be addressed.

Drugs are not just illegal substances abused on the streets. Today designed research chemicals from labs in Southeast Asia exist and here in the US people are attempting to duplicate them in their own backyards. Synthetics are constantly evolving and we are

behind in detection and treatment. Even the marijuana of today is chemically altered with butane or disguised in edibles; both new and powerful. We still have our illegal and popular drugs of heroin, methamphetamine, cocaine and ecstasy but now they are more potent and widespread than ever. Then we have the most dangerous drugs... the legal ones. Prescription drugs, alcohol and the act of smoking and vaping are driving our drug death rates up every year. The US is seeing more people die from drugs than firearms, falls and car crashes.

Attend this class for the updates, outcomes and resources. Most importantly, attend to challenge your thinking and take action to changes these trends.

Course Date & Time: (1 day) August 7, 2018
8:00 am–4:00 pm Ohio HIDTA
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Title III Wire-Tap Investigations (50 student maximum)

Attendees will be exposed to Title III wire-tap investigations from initiation through prosecution. Class environment will consist of complex case analysis and other proprietary investigative techniques. This course is designed to afford law enforcement the ability to actively pursue Wire-tap (Title III) investigatory methods in pursuit of criminal targets. Primary focus will be narcotics traffickers (foreign and US based) and bulk currency smuggling. Attendees will be exposed to the following aspects of Title III Investigations:

- Target identification
- Target telephone analysis
- Needs vs. Wants
- Funding
- English vs. Foreign
- Man (people) power
- Affidavit preparation
- Equipment needs
- Prosecutorial requirements
- Case Analysis

Course Dates & Times: (2 days) August 27 – 28, 2018
8:00 am–4:00 pm Ohio HIDTA
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Street Gang Narcotics Investigations (50 student maximum)

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY:

Course Name: _____ Course Date: _____

Training Location: _____

ALL CLASSES BEGIN AT 8:00 A.M. UNLESS OTHERWISE INSTRUCTED

Name of Registrant: _____
(Last Name) (First Name)

Agency Name: _____

Agency Address: _____
(Streets Address)

(City, State, Zip Code)

Telephone Number: _____ Cell Number: _____

Email: _____ Fax Number: _____

(REQUIRED)

Please include YOUR contact information so we are able to contact you if there is a change to your class.

Are you a member of a HIDTA Task Force? If yes, please indicate which task force:

SUPERVISOR APPROVAL AND SIGNATURE IS MANDATORY

Supervisor Approval: _____ Date: _____

Supervisor Telephone Number: _____

If you cannot attend a class, PLEASE email or call to cancel. Thank you.

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