



Certified Search & Seizure Instructor Class

16 Hours

Course Outline

Blue to Gold Law Enforcement Training
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Learners

The Certified Search & Seizure Instructor is intended for academy and in-service instructors. It is also intended for ANY officer seeking to master Fourth Amendment concepts and earn a valuable certification.

Formats

- In Person
- Live Online

Length

Course length is 16 hours and student must pass a comprehensive test available after the class.

Test

All students will be required to pass a comprehensive test within 30 days of completing the class.

Pre-requisites

Must have taken Advanced Search & Seizure, Advanced Traffic Stops, and Advanced Criminal Investigations within the last year. Additionally, instructor development is highly recommended but not required (some states may require it before teaching).

Credit

In-service credit available in some states

Designation

Upon completing the course and passing the comprehensive test students will be permitted to use the "CSSI" designation on any business cards, resumes, Linked-in, and so forth. Students must complete 16 hours of Blue to Gold legal training every two years to maintain the CSSI designation. The 16 hours may consist of webinars (free or paid), short courses or full day courses. Students may repeat courses taken in the previous two-year certification period. For example, students who took Advanced Search & Seizure in 2020 may retake the class in 2022 and count that towards the recertification.

Materials Provided

- Instructor Manual
- PowerPoint to help teach core Fourth Amendment concepts to fellow officers
- FLETC's Ultimate Supreme Court Legal Reference
- Frame-able completion certificate
- Blue to Gold lapel pin
- Blue to Gold challenge coin

Topics Covered/Overview

Goal

Upon completion students will have a solid understand of the Fourth Amendment and will know how to teach core concepts, including reasonable suspicion, curtilage, and objective reasonableness.

Training Modules

1. Three Golden Rules of Search and Seizure
2. How to Research Case Law
3. How to Teach Officers About the Latest Case Law
4. Core Fourth Amendment Principles
5. State Law Differences
6. Independent and Adequate State Grounds Doctrine
7. The Exclusionary Rule
8. Standing and Privacy Interests
9. Overview of the Comprehensive Test
10. Overview of the Training Materials

Training Methods

Our training is high-energy, interactive and never boring legal training.