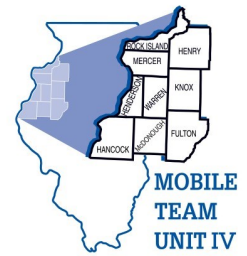




MOBILE TEAM TRAINING UNIT IV

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INTERVIEWING CHILDREN

PURPOSE OF COURSE: This one day, 8-hour program has been designed by an expert in the field of interviewing children for the purpose of providing student officers with additional methods and information for interviewing juveniles during criminal investigations.

COURSE OVERVIEW: This course has been designed to provide patrol officers, investigators, or juvenile officers with additional methods and information for interviewing children in criminal investigations. Interviewing children requires a special skill-set.

This course will provide a framework for interviewing children who are victims or witnesses to crimes. Our instructor conducts over 125 forensic interviews of children per year.

EMPHASIS WILL BE PLACED ON PRACTICAL EXERCISES CONDUCTED THROUGHOUT THE COURSE. THIS COURSE WILL UTILIZE CASE VIGNETTES FOR PRACTICAL APPLICATION.

Topics to be discussed include the following:

- Interview settings for children
- Child development and cognitive abilities – What should your expectations be for different age groups
- Cognitive evaluation
- Types of questions – from open-ended to leading
- Interviewing aides
- Stages of a child interview
- Establishing timelines with children
- Blocks to interviewing children – Disabilities and Mental Health issues

While issues of domestic violence to children and sexual assault of children will be discussed, it is not the intent of this course to teach those types of interview techniques specifically.

DATE: October 1, 2025
TIME: 8:00 AM-4:00 PM

REGISTRATIONS ENDS: September 24, 2025

****NEW LOCATION-FALL 2025****

Location: MTTU IV @ Black Hawk College 6600 34th Avenue, Building 2, Room 126 Moline, IL
Instructor: Danielle Butts

Maximum Enrollment: 30

Cost: MTTU IV MEMBERS: \$ 0.00 - NON MTTU IV MEMBERS: \$0.00. Members have first priority.

Per Board approval, this Class Meets the following Mandatory Training Key Guidelines.

Civil Rights (.5 hours); Constitutional/Proper Use of LE. Authority (.5 hours); Crisis Intervention (.5 hours); Human Rights (.5 hours); Procedural Justice (3 hours);

Lead Homicide Continuing Ed.—8 hours

This course is funded by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board

Mobile Team Training Unit IV has received certification for this course with the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board