Sex Crimes Investigations
(40 Hours)

Specialized Training Course

October 19-23, 2009
0800-1700
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Do you know that The National Center for Missing & Exploited Children estimates that 1 in 5 girls and 1 in 10 boys are sexually assaulted before they reach adulthood, yet less than 35% of those child sexual assaults are ever reported to authorities?

Every day people are robbed, have their car stolen, or their house burglarized. When these crimes happen victims feel angry, afraid, or violated. But no crime is quite so devastating as that of sexual assault. The Uniform Crime Reports also indicate that about 90,000 forcible rapes are recorded ever year, but only about 44% of them are "cleared" or solved by the arrest of some perpetrator.

A vast number of offenders are getting away with these crimes. Often the victims are children, and offenders range from family members to perfect strangers. But investigating and prosecuting these crimes is crucial not only to the victim but to society as well. Investigating sex crimes is particularly sensitive and difficult for many reasons.

Students in this course will gain insight into the crimes, their incidence, their impact on victims, the evidentiary aspects of sex crimes, and the way the criminal justice system often responds to these heinous crimes.

This is a Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission Advanced Training Course, and is approved for salary incentive or mandatory retraining.

Topics of instruction include:

- An overview of sex crimes
- Types of sex crimes
- Investigative techniques
- Arrival at the crime scene
- Initial interviews
- Field identification
- Special notification
- Medical treatment
- Collection/preservation of evidence
- Victim interviewing
- Legal aspects and considerations
- Psychology of the sex offender
- Psychology of the victim

Date & Time: October 19-23, 2009 0800-1700
Instructor: Jerry Herren
Location: Ybor Campus Public Service Tech. Bldg. Tampa, Florida
Enrollment: Limited to 50
Registration Deadline: October 5, 2009

This is a Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission Trust-Funded Course for Region IX.

Officers in Region IX attend free of charge.

In order to attend, all officers are required to process the appropriate paperwork through their respective agencies.