

NORTHERN ILLINOIS TRAINING ADVISORY BOARD

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**INVESTIGATING SOCIAL NETWORKS AND UNDERCOVER DRUG  
OPERATIONS**

Date: October 2-3, 2025 **Registration Deadline: September 1, 2025**

Times: 0800-1600 hours (16 hours)

Location: Dixon Police Department  
220 S Hennepin Avenue  
Dixon, IL

Instructor: Rich Wistocki

Member Fee: \$0 Non-MTU Member & Non-Sworn Fee: \$150

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**Items / Materials: Computers provided by students. Must have the following items:**

- Updated Laptop Computer (Please go online for updates 1 day prior to class)
- Download free trial of Snagit from Techsmith.com
- Must be able to access work email remotely from laptop
- Must have a LEO sponsored email address accessible from laptop Instructional

**Goal:**

The decisions made by the Drug Task Force Officers and/or Detectives who can either make or break a case which involves sensitive internet/digital investigation. This 16 hour program will address the ability of Drug investigations response which is crucial in the handling of complaints and investigations related to Drug Possession, Sales and Distribution. Instructional

**Objectives:**

Upon completion of the training exercises, participants will:

- Obtain the basic overview of various social networks and what information they possess.
- Understand how computer / cell phone forensics work
- We will understand how to access the Law Enforcement Portals for social networks

- Obtain crucial information in Internet/Social Network Cases.
- Understand how to obtain IP's, screen names, email headers, Social Network user I.D. and Cell Phone data for the investigation.
- We will learn how to do subpoenas and search warrants for these various social networking sites.
- The student will learn about the Electronic Communications Privacy Act (ECPA)
- Overview of computer and cell phone forensics and when it is appropriate to seize these items from a victim or a suspect to be analyzed.
- When it is appropriate and not appropriate to contact a suspect in any of the cases.
- Examine the various Cell Phone Applications and how people are using them today.
- Being able to write Preservations, Subpoenas and Search Warrants for digital.
- Rules of creating UC Drug Accounts Understanding the photo and video waivers that MUST be signed by a member or designee of Law Enforcement.
- Learn Investigation best practices for using undercover photos. Work actual cases from start to finish in class.

***This course has been certified by the ILETSB and approved to meet the following mandates:***

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2.0 Civil Rights          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2.0 Constitutional & Proper Use of Law Enforcement Authority |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crisis Intervention                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural Competency   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Medical Response           | <input type="checkbox"/> Human Rights  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2.0 Legal Updates         | <input type="checkbox"/> Officer Wellness and Mental Health                                      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1.0 Procedural Justice    | <input type="checkbox"/> Psychology of Domestic Violence   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reporting of Child Abuse and Neglect | <input type="checkbox"/> Sexual Assault Trauma Informed Response                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Use of Force                         | <input type="checkbox"/> De-Escalation Techniques  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> High-Risk Traffic Stops              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1.0 Law concerning stops, searches, and use of force         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Officer Safety Techniques            | <input type="checkbox"/> Firearms Restraining Order Act  |

### **Specialized Training**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Crisis Intervention Team Training (CIT) | <input type="checkbox"/> Lead Homicide Investigator                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> School Resource Officer                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Sexual Assault Investigator Training                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Epinephrine Autoinjector (Epi Pen)      | <input type="checkbox"/> Opioid Antagonist (NARCAN)                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drug Recognition Expert (DRE)           | <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Active Threat Response                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2.0 Officer & Youth Interaction             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Law                            |   |

To receive a State Certificate / training credit for the above listed mandates, no more than 10% of the course hours can be missed.