First Responders Academy - Law Enforcement Academy

The Investigation of Apparent Suicide: A Guide for Patrol and Investigations
Enhancing Investigative Skills with Empathy and Precision

The "Investigation of Suicide: A Guide for Law Enforcement" course is designed to equip law enforcement professionals with the knowledge, tools, and techniques necessary to conduct thorough and sensitive investigations into suspected suicides. This course emphasizes not only the procedural aspects of such investigations but also the importance of empathy and the thoughtful handling of individuals affected by these tragedies.

Instructor: Dr. Anita Seamens

Course Objective(s):

- Understand the psychological, social, and environmental factors contributing to suicide.
- Develop skills for recognizing signs of suicidal behavior in investigative contexts.
- Learn best practices for collecting and analyzing evidence in suspected suicide cases.
- Explore legal considerations and protocols specific to suicide investigations.
- Build communication strategies for interacting with affected families and communities.
- Enhance multidisciplinary collaboration with mental health professionals and forensic experts.

Course Cost

Enrollment Only: Two (2) Eight (8) Hour Days, $50.00, Minimal 10 Students and Maximum of 40 Students

Upon Completion Student will receive a course completion certificate for 16 hours of training. The 16 hours will be reported to TCOLE as part of your training record. Students must attend all 16 hours of training to have training reported to TCOLE training record.

To Sign-Up for the Course Please email sac-lea@alamo.edu

Payment due day of the class in credit card, debit card, cash (exact amount) or cashier check, personal check, agency check, money order made payable to: **SAC First Responders Academy**

Training Dates and Location

First Responders Academy, 15775 IH 35 South, Atascosa, TX 78002 (exit 139 Hwy 35 S) Room 101

Thursday & Friday, September 25-26, 2025, Time: 8 am to 5 pm – 1 hour for lunch