

**Texas Department of Public Safety Law Enforcement Polygraph School
Advanced Polygraph Training Course
December 7th – 11th, 2020**

Monday, December 7th

8:00 AM – 9:00 AM	Opening Remarks/Introduction	DPS Command Staff
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM	DLST (TDLR Credit)	Captain McCloskey/Lt. David Stewart
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	Lunch	
1:00 PM – 5:00 PM	DLST (TDLR Credit)	Captain McCloskey/Lt. David Stewart
5:00 PM - 6:00PM	Homework Assignment (DLST)	

Tuesday, December 8th

8:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Mental Health and Crisis Management	Dr. Melissa Graham
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Lunch	
1:00 PM – 5:00 PM	Mental Health and Crisis Management	Dr. Melissa Graham

Wednesday, December 9th

8:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Utah Zone/Directed Lies	Captain Billy McCloskey/Lt. Becky Salazar
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Lunch	
1:00 PM – 5:00 PM	Officer Resilience	Alexis Schminke

Thursday, December 10th

8:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Countermeasures	Lt. David Stewart
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Lunch	
1:00 PM – 5:00 PM	Post Test Interview	SA Anthony Bennet
5:00 PM – 6:00PM	Homework Assignment (Countermeasures)	

Friday, December 11th

8:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Post Test Interview	SA Anthony Bennet
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THE UTAH APPROACH - TBA

This is the introduction and application of the Utah Approach in polygraph. It includes an overview of the history, development and field studies used to validate the approach. This class introduces subject matter unique to the Utah Approach and builds on student's pretest knowledge with the addition of the Free Narrative. The content also includes test question construction and the application of Directed Lie Comparison Questions, in-test operation fundamentals and test data analysis. The Utah approach is then applied through laboratory practical exercises. This course satisfies requirements from the categories of test formats, pre-test, test question construction and chart interpretation.

DLST / Pre-employment Screening Process - TBA

A complete overview of a law enforcement pre-employment process utilizing the Directed Lie Screening Test and a semi-structured interview. This course will expose the student to the DPS automated DLST process.

EMPIRICAL SCORING SYSTEM (ESS) Part I

An introduction to the Empirical Scoring System and the ESS scoring features and the decision policies (cut scores) put in place to determine the outcome of truthfulness or deception on a polygraph examination.

TACTICAL POLYGRAPH –

A course designed to introduce polygraph examiners to idea of conducting polygraphs during the early stages of investigations involving crimes against children. The course emphasizes the tactical polygraph is a screening approach to obtain actionable information regarding the hands on sexual abuse of children. Case reviews of tactical polygraphs conducted in Child Pornography investigations, Solicitation of Minor operations, and Human Trafficking investigations will be provided.

POLYGRAPH PERSUASIVE INTERVIEW - TBA

This course builds on “The Persuasive Pre-test” course providing instruction on the principles of persuasion as they apply to the polygraph room and how an examiner can use the principles to transition to a successful post-test interview. It introduces students to an eight step approach to the pretest interview for polygraph and allows students the opportunity to develop and incorporate their own style of interview utilizing the six principles of persuasion. This course meets TDLR continuing education requirements and students will receive 6 hours credit for TDLR continuing education.

INTERVIEWING BY PERSONALITY TYPE – Dr. Melissa Graham

“Managing and identify individuals in crisis.” This course is an introduction to utilizing the pre-test interview to identify the personality type and sub-types of an examinee and the defense mechanisms of the personality types and sub-types. The course will give instruction on developing interview techniques and themes that are tailored to elicit information from each personality type and sub-type.

COUNTERMEASURES AND PURPOSEFULLY NON-COMPLIANT EXAMINEES

A presentation designed to explore the three most common categories of polygraph countermeasures and a comprehensive overview of countermeasure literature. The course will explain various techniques used to identify purposefully non-compliant (PNC) examinees

and techniques to overcome PNC to include the Last Word Answer Test, Silent Answer Test and the Yes Test.

CONCEALED INFORMATION TEST (CIT)

Course offers an overview and an introduction to the recognition testing technique the concealed information test (CIT). Advantages and weaknesses of the CIT will be discussed. Testing format and examples of how to utilize this secondary test format.

POLYGRAPH BEST PRACTICES

Course offers an overview of evidence based polygraph utilizing validated principles to administer valid and defensible polygraph examinations.

