# **Course Description**

### **Characteristics of Armed Persons**

Rich Hobson, Metro DC PD Lt., Retired

Designed to aid law enforcement officers in identifying persons who are unlawfully carrying concealed firearms, this element helps enable officers to make clear observations and distinctions of some of the more common characteristics demonstrated by individuals who carry concealed firearms. Includes instruction defending stops and frisks in court.

#### **Firearms Identification**

Mike Dixon, SA, Headquarters

Provides law enforcement officers with the knowledge, skills and abilities to identify a firearm to the exclusion of all other firearms. Participants will learn to correctly identify recovered crime guns, therefore aiding in investigations, tracing procedures and criminal court hearings.

## Firearms Tracing & Investigative Tools

Ben Hayes, SA, Chief of the National Tracing Center Introduction to crime gun tracing through the National Tracing Center (NTC) and learn how to use the information obtained through a trace request to establish investigative leads, crime gun trafficking patterns and further intelligence on illegal gun sources within their jurisdictions.

#### Where Do Crime Guns Come From?

Mike Dixon, SA, Headquarters

An overview of firearms trafficking and federal laws applicable to the prosecution of firearms offenses. At the conclusion of this session, officers are able to identify sources and market areas, common terminology and key indicators of firearms trafficking.

#### **Interviewing Techniques**

Joe Steele, SA, Burlington, VT

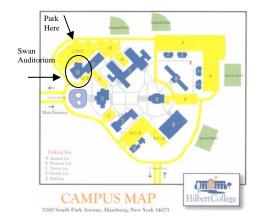
This module exposes investigators to a combination of various interviewing and interrogation techniques that can be utilized in the obtainment of confessions, development of cooperating witnesses, and gathering of evidence. Topics will include interview preparation, building and maintaining rapport, body language, detecting deception, and more. The investigator will be presented with interview/interrogation best practices that they, in turn, may incorporate into their own methods and style for greater success.

## **Directions**

From Buffalo International Airport—Take 33W, merge onto I-90 West. Take Exit 56 (Blasdell). Turn Right on 179W (Milestrip Road). Turn Left onto US62 (South Park Avenue). Hilbert is 2 miles on your left.

From Southern Tier—Take I-90 East. Take Exit 57 (Hamburg). Take Rt. 75 N (Camp Road). Turn Right on US 20 (Southwestern Blvd.). Turn Right onto US62 (South Park Avenue). Hilbert is on your left.





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7:30 am—Registration begins each day

11:00—12:00 pm Lunch provided by The Erie County Law Enforcement Foundation, Inc.

Program runs from 8:00 am—4:30 pm

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There is **no charge** for this law enforcement conference.

Please register by July 2, 2008



To register for this conference, please contact Barb DeLaRosa with the following information:

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# Firearms Investigations Interviewing

Tuesday & Wednesday July 8 & 9, 2008 8:00 am-4:30 pm Registration begins at 7:30

Hilbert College Paczesny Hall William E. Swan Auditorium