**Instructor Bio**

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I began my career as a Sheriff’s Deputy in January 1997. I spent nearly four and a half years as a Deputy assigned to detention. I received my Basic Peace Officers License in 1999 from the San Antonio College Law Enforcement Training Academy. While assigned to the detention center I worked living units the various types of classifications including high risk, mental health, gang members, and administrative segregation. I spent one year as a member Special Emergency Response Team. As a SERT member I received many hours of training in crowd control, cell extractions, and use of force.

In 2001 I transferred to the Law Enforcement tier were I was assigned to Warrants Division for about six months. I received on the job training in locating and arresting wanted persons, civil process including child attachments, child support warrants, and citations.

I then volunteered to transfer to the patrol division and started the Patrol Orientation School and then completed the FTO program. At the end of 2001 I was assigned to Patrol East B-Shift and remained there for about five years. I gained experience as a patrolman working vehicle crashes, family violence assaults, and narcotics offenses. I became a Field Training Officer at the end of 2005.

In 2006 I was selected to transfer to the Special Operations Unit as a member of the Street Crimes Unit. This Unit is a proactive unit designed to address the crimes committed by members of the criminal street gangs. I was assigned as both the Gang Intelligence Officer and The Gang Task Force. I worked with the Bexar County District Attorney’s Office on a gang injunction against the NFL (New Orleans Gang). I also worked closely with I.C.E. Immigration and Customs Enforcements and U.S. Marshalls Office. In 2006 I was selected as a member of the Hostage Negotiator Team. There I was trained in communication and de-escalation.

In 2012 I was assigned to the Bexar County Sheriff’s Office Training Academy where I train both detention cadets and patrol candidates. I also teach such subjects as Defensive Tactics, Fire Arms, Use of Force, Tactical Communications (Verbal Judo), Emergency Vehicle Operations and Taser. I am a Master Peace Officer and TCOLE Instructor.

Then early 2017 I transferred to the S.C.O.R.E. unit (Sheriff’s community outreach and education unit. I currently teach Sheriff’s Explorers, Citizens Academy, and Cellular on Patrol. I am a certified instructor for ALERRT’s Civilian Response to Active Shooter. I am also certified as a Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design specialist.