



- Course Title:** HERO Interviewing Techniques– 48 hours
Specialized Course: 9029
- Instructor(s):** Lt. Mark Dainty – Polk County Sheriff’s Office
- Date(s):** September 25, 2025
October 9, 2025
October 23, 2025
November 6, 2025
November 20, 2025
December 4, 2025
- Time(s):** 8:00AM – 5:00PM
- Location:** Polk State College - Center for Public Safety
Kenneth C. Thompson Institute of Public Safety
1251 Jim Keene Blvd
Winter Haven, Florida 33880
- Cost:** Region 8 training funds will pay for Region 8 law enforcement and correctional officers as well as Region 8 support personnel (when seats are available). **Region 8 includes Polk, Hardee, Highlands, and Desoto counties.**
Student applications from outside of Region 8 will be placed on a waiting list to fill any open seats not filled by Region 8 officers.
- Description:** This course will provide students with instruction on techniques, methodologies, and principals of interviewing for those in the criminal justice profession. The course is designed to develop students’ communication skills and inspire the cooperation of others to produce a more successful and efficient investigative outcome. Additionally, students will learn to apply the emotional intelligence ideology to enhance their ability to build trusting and lasting relationships with those they serve.

This course qualifies for **mandatory retraining**.
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Training Authorization & Advanced/Specialized Course Registration

Student Authorization (Formerly CJSTC 15A)

Student Registration

Student Name: _____
(Last Name) (First Name) (FULL Middle Name) (Sr, Jr, etc)

Student SS#: _____ Student email: _____

Supervisor/email _____

Check one: Law Enforcement ☐ Corrections ☐ Correctional Probation ☐ Civilian ☐

Agency Name: _____

Agency Address: _____
(Street) (city) (state) (zip)

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| Date of Birth MM / DD / YYYY | Gender <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female | Telephone Numbers Preferred: Work: |
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Race (Required by the U.S. Office of Education Title VI Civil Rights Act of 1964)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> White (Non-Hispanic) <input type="checkbox"/> Black (Non-Hispanic) | <input type="checkbox"/> Asian/Pacific Islander <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic | <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian/Alaska Native |
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Note: Form MUST be completed in its entirety or the officer WILL NOT be registered. Ensure that you are using the most current form for this class. These forms are pre-filled for specific classes and located with the course announcement online <https://www.polk.edu/ips>.

Officers/Civilians in Region 8 are at \$0.00 fee. Officers/Civilians outside of Region 8 will be placed on a waiting list to fill any open seats not taken by Region 8 officers. Only courses selected for salary incentive will be entered into FDLE's ATMS, with the following exceptions: Instructor courses, Breath Test Operator/ Refresher, Agency Inspector / Refresher, and Canine Team Training.

| Course # | Course Title | Dates | Time | Location |
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Course Credit (Check One): Salary Incentive ☐ Mandatory Retraining ☐

Neither ☐ (support personnel/civilians only)

Authorized Agency Representative (please print): _____

Authorized Agency Signature: _____ Date: _____

Agency Contact Name: _____

Telephone Number: _____ Email: _____