

East Central Illinois Mobile Law Enforcement Training Team

MTU #13

Course Announcement



Conversation with a Sex Offender

December 3rd, 2026

0830-1630 Hrs

Denny Stewart Training Center

3121 Dewitt Avenue

Mattoon, Il.

Submit enrollment to:

Registration form at

www.mtu13.com,

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This training has been designed with the purpose of addressing the issues of sex offenders and assuring that law enforcement has the tools necessary to approach, interrogate and better understand the workings of the mind of several categories of sex offenders. They prey on the most vulnerable in our society and will not cease this deviant behavior without legal consequences. The training includes interviews with several categories of sexual offenders. An actual police interrogation will be presented for analysis and critiques.

For participants to more fully understand sexual offenders and their crimes, strategies to identify the psychological profiles of common sexual offenders, behaviors they display and the routines that they utilize to gain access to victims.

The skill addressed will include, but no be limited to, will be the following:

- Identification of the various profile/typologies of sex offenders
- Increased ability in identification of psychological profile of sex offenders
- Be better able to understand the deviant motives of sex offenders
- Understand the common strategies used by offenders to avoid detection
- Be better able to understand the cycle of recidivism of sex offenders
- Understand the clinical process designed to reduce recidivism
- Understand the strategies used by offenders to gain sexual compliance
- Better able to interview and interrogate offenders.

Observed Mandates Include:

Civil Rights Const.

Use of LE Author

Human Rights

Procedural Justice

Lead Homicide Investigator

Instructor: **Gail Sullivan**

Instructor Biography: Gail P. Sullivan, MA. Ms. Sullivan graduated from Loyola University (BA) and DePaul University (MA) with honors. She has worked in the field of social services and criminal justice for the past twenty-five years in the private and public sector. She has provided therapy to children who have been sexually traumatized by abuse and neglect. She managed an organization with a seven million dollar budget consisting over one hundred employees (Illinois certified) to serve the needs of sexually traumatized and problematic children under the age of twelve years. As an expert, she has sat on the States Attorney Task Force for the Mass Molestation of Children and The Cook County Child Death Review Team. She has developed curriculum that meets State requirements for the certification of juvenile police officers. She provides training for the Cook County Adult Probation Department, Illinois Crisis Intervention Team and Homeland Security, as well as MTUs across the state of Illinois. Currently, Ms. Sullivan is the Program Director of the School of Justice for Westwood College – O'Hare campus.

She manages a premier criminal justice program for over four hundred students and twenty five faculty members. She is the Chairperson of the Safety Management Team working with the Westwood team across the country. Ms. Sullivan lives in Chicago, Illinois with her son, continuing to write and present in the areas of homeland security, violence against children, stress reduction, juvenile law enforcement, cultural diversity, multigenerational communication, sex offenders, ethics, sexual harassment prevention, corrections, crisis intervention programs, and numerous other aspects of criminal justice.



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