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## DUTY TO INTERVENE

**Date:** February 11, 2025

**Time:** 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

**Location:** John Wood Community College, 1301 S. 48<sup>th</sup> Street, Quincy, IL (Room D023)

**Instructor:** Mark Bridges, Owner/Operator of Bridges Tactical Training and Consulting

**Meets IL Mandates: Constitutional & Proper Use of LE Authority (30 mins); Officer Health & Wellness (1 hr.); Use of Force/De-Escalation Techniques (1 hr./1 hr. scenario-based training); Laws Concerning stops, searches & use of force (4 hrs./1 hr. scenario-based training)**

### COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This 8-hour training course explores the legal, ethical, and practical aspects of the Duty to Intervene for law enforcement officers. It covers Illinois statutes, federal court rulings, and real-life studies where officers failed to intervene. Through lecture, discussion, video analysis, and scenario-based training, participants will learn intervention strategies, review legal precedents, and practice applying these skills in high-pressure situations.

### COURSE OBJECTIVES:

- 1) Define the Duty to Intervene as outlined in **720 ILCS 5/7-16** and understand its legal implications
- 2) Analyze relevant federal court rulings (**Graham v. Conner, Tennessee v. Garner**) that impact officers' responsibilities in use-of-force situations
- 3) Identify and explain barriers that may prevent officers from intervening, such as peer pressure, fear of retaliation, or mental health stressors
- 4) Demonstrate the ability to assess and intervene in scenarios involving excessive force or misconduct
- 5) Recognize the importance of reporting misconduct as required by **50 ILCS 705**
- 6) Apply intervention strategies in scenario-based exercises, demonstrating the ability to de-escalate situations and intervene appropriately
- 7) Evaluate real-life case studies where officers failed to intervene and understand the legal, professional, and ethical consequences of those failures

**To Register:** Follow this link to register: <https://mtu9.org/page/3/register-now> If you experience problems or issues with registration, please email [register@mtu9.org](mailto:register@mtu9.org). All registrations MUST go through your Sheriff, Chief, or Training Officer.

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