# Mastering Interview & Interrogation Techniques for Investigators & 1st Responders

### **Instructor:**

Stan B. Walters has spent more than 36 years studying and researching the science of interview and interrogation. He is the author of <u>Kinesic Interview and Interrogation</u>, 2d, ed. and <u>The Truth About Lying: How to Spot a Lie and Protect Yourself From Deception</u> which has been published in 7 foreign languages. He has authored numerous interview and interrogation training guides, audio programs and videos including 145+ videos on his YouTube Channel. Stan maintains a personal library of 1500+ video taped interviews of inmates he personally directed and produced in 37 prisons in 16 states and one foreign country.

Stan worked with Dr. Martha Davis clinical psychologist and Brenda L. Connors of the US Naval War College on ground breaking credibility research project conducted at John Jay College. The research was in association with the NYPD, and the Queens, Manhattan & Bronx DistrictAttorneys' Offices. He is the co-author of 3 published peer reviewed scientific papers on the results of that project. He has also served as an interviewing and interrogation subject

matter expert for Johns Hopkins University.

Stan has more than 50,000 hours on the platform as an instructor. Among others, he has provided training for the National Security Agency, Adjunct Instructor for Defense Intelligence Agency – National Center for Credibility Assessment, US Army 1st, 4th and 25th Infantry, US Army Special Forces, 82nd Airborne, 1 Cavalry & 1 Armored Divisions, Guest instructor at US Army Military Police School, USA Army C.I.D., US Army Inteligence & Counter-Intelligence, US Army Battlefield Surveillance Brigades, USAF O.S.I., USAF S.E.R.E., USAF Security Forces, US Navy EOD, Texas Rangers, US Postal Inspectors, US Marshals Service, US Secret Service – Polygraph, FBI – Polygraph, US Treasury – Inspector General, DFW Airport SWAT, Texas Rangers SWAT, Texas D.P.S. SWAT, Kentucky, Nebraska, & Pennsylvania State Police, Kansas Bureau of Investigation, NASA Inspector General, New York State Police, US Marshals Service, Singapore Police Force & Military, US Courts, US Indian Police Academy, I.C.E., C.B.P., US C.I.S., UAE Police & State Security, Calgary Police Service, Canadian Fish & Wildlife, Canadian Securities Commissions, International Association of Arson Investigators, and numerous other criminal justice agencies and academies throughout North America. He has also conducted training in Australia, New Zealand, the Netherlands, Germany, Singapore and South Korea.

Stan has regularly appeared on Crime Watch Daily with Chris Hansen. He has also appeared on ABC, CBS, CNN, Fox News, Fox & Friends, NBC, France Channel One and Australia Today. He has been profiled twice on National Geographic and was host and technical advisor on the National

Geographic special "The Science of Interrogation."

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### **Mastering Interview & Interrogation Techniques for Investigators & 1st Responders**

#### Course Overview:

Your agency has likely seen time and time again, highly competent investigators struggle to obtain consistently meaningful information from victim, witness and subject interviews. The issue isn't lack of intelligence or bad intent - it's the lack of a usable advanced skill set that is causing them to miss critical information.

Current interviewing efforts may be ineffective for one or more reasons:

- 1. No formal interview skills training, so productive interviews rarely if ever are conducted.
- 2. Poor interview training which result in victim, witness, and subject interviews that are incomplete, missing important details or cause subject contamination.
- 3. Training is based on unscientific concepts and perpetuated myths. Deception is misdiagnosed, victims and witnesses are alienated, and subjects are wrongly accused or missed as persons of
- 4. Techniques being used result in increased liability for the interviewer and the agency.

The Mastering Narrative-Based Interviews course is part of the Practical Kinesic Interview and Interrogation series. The content is based on empirical research into behavioral analysis and effective interviewing of victims, witnesses and subjects. Expertly presented, the proven concepts are immediately usable by your new investigators and upgrade the skills of those with the most experience.

### **Participants Will Learn:**

- Master an effective narrative-based interview.
- 8 principles for improving interviews.
- How to recover 60% more information from victim, witness & subject interviews.
- 3 characteristics of a successful interview.
- 3 reasons investigators fail to accurately spot deception.
- How subjects' statements can be contaminated by the interviewer.
- 3 mistakes interviewers make that cause false confessions and contaminated statements.
- The 5 reaction / response behaviors that subjects exhibit and how to correctly handle each one.

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Introduction to Influence, Persuasion, Manipulation & Coercion.

**Seminar Agenda Mastering Interview & Interrogation Techniques for Investigators & 1st Responders** 

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Tuesday, , October 28, 2025 8:00 a.m.—8:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

Registration
Upgrade Outdated Interview and Interrogation
Techniques with Modern, Proven Methods.
Essential Guidelines for Maximizing Results with
Victims, Witnesses and Subjects.
Key Reasons Why Interviews Succeed or Fail.
Compare Narrative-Based Interviews with Accusatory
Styles for Better Outcomes.
4 Pillars of a Successful Interview for Effective
Information Gathering.
Identify and Avoid Tactics that Lead to Contaminated
Statements and False Confessions.
Lunch (On Your Own)
Introduction to Influence, Persuasion, Manipulation

12:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.

Lunch (On Your Own)
 Introduction to Influence, Persuasion, Manipulation & Coercion: Learn The Distinctions and How Each Affects Interview Outcomes.
 Understanding Reaction/Response Behaviors: Identify Key Verbal and Nonverbal Cues During Interviews.
 Cycle of Behavior Model: This Model Identifies Five Key Stages in The Behavior of Individuals Involved in Unethical, Deviant, Criminal or Violent Acts, Etc. Understanding The Mindset Behind These Actions, Leading to More Focused and Effective Interviews.
 Verbal Cues Analysis: Quickly Evaluate Changes in Voice Quality and Speech Content and Their Significance to The Interviewer.
 Stress vs. Incriminating Cues: Learn to Differentiate Between Cues That Indicate Stress and Those With Potential Investigative Significance.

Wednesday, October 29, 8:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

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Identifying & Handling Reaction/Response Behaviors:
Learn to Recognize The Verbal and Non-Verbal Cues
From Victims, Witnesses and Subjects That Can Either
Enhance or Hinder Interview Quality, Compliance and
Cooperation. Learn The Interviewer's Best Tactical
Response to Each.
Anger: Spot Key Nonverbal and Verbal Signs of Anger
That May Impact The Interview Process.
Depression: Recognize Indicators of Depression
Through Body Language and Speech Patterns That
Could Affect Testimony and The Accuracy of

12:00 p.m.—1:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.

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Lunch (On Your Own)
Identifying & Handling "Reaction/Response" Behaviors (Continued)

Denial: Identify The Verbal Cues of Denial, Helping You Understand When a Subject or Witness is Resisting The Facts of The Case.

Bargaining to Recognize When Individuals

Description of the Case.

Bargaining: Learning to Recognize When Individuals Attempt to, Negotiate of Shift The Narrative to an Emotional Appeal Via Their Verbal Cues.

Acceptance: Spot Key Nonverbal and Verbal Indicators That Reveal When a Subject or Witness Has Accepted The Situation and is Now in a Cooperative Mental and Emotional State.

Thursday, October 30, 2025 8:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. Inf

Information Recovery & Credibility Assessment:

• Utilize a Simple Yet Powerful 3-Step System Designed to Elicit Detailed, In-Depth Statements From Subjects, Sources, Informants and Victims.

Focusing on Key Areas of Deception: This Approach Enhances The Amount of Information Missed by Victims and Witnesses While Revealing Potential Points of Deception By Suspects.

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Creating Cognitive Load For Liars: By Targeting Specific "Topic Areas", Interviewers Can Increase Cognitive Stress on Deceptive Individuals, Exposing The Most Likely Points of Dishonesty And Leading To More Accurate Statement

12:00 p.m. **Certificate Presentation** 

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Techniques for Investigators and 1st Responders

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