

Homicide Investigators Intensive Study Program 2008

The Center for Homicide Research offers an individualized, intensive study program tailored to meet the needs of both experienced and new homicide investigators. Participants select their own areas of study with individualized training from Center for Homicide Research staff. Participants work both independently and side-by-side with others to learn and understand critical aspects of homicide and about the unique aspects which compose the homicide phenomenon.

About the Program

This unique opportunity offers a "learning sabbatical" for investigators, away from the front lines, where they can develop an advanced understanding of the homicide event and its analysis. The program offers investigators a retreat to step away from the daily pressures of investigations to reevaluate their own effectiveness and investigational procedures. This program offers the chance to learn about new research as well as proven tactics. The Center provides an immersion style seminar, with structured learning as well as independent study. Everyone at the Center is a student, learning and teaching at the same time. Programs can be up to five days in length.

Topics available include:

Lethality: What makes killing successful?

Paraphilias: Investigating the deviant homicide

Gay/Lesbian Homicide: Solving the fatal encounter

Expressive Homicide: Investigation of symbolic attacks

Anti-social Semiotics: Signs of killing

Missing Victim Homicides: Adults play hide & seek

Crime-mapping: Connecting all the dots

Police and the Media: Taming the news dragon

Deviant Homicides: Sex on the brain

Increasing Solvability: Achieving 100% clearance

For specialized training needs or other topics, please contact the Center and allow for adequate lead time.

There is not a fee associated with the Center's program, but participants are encouraged to make a tax-deductible contribution. Expenses related to housing, meals and airfare are the responsibility of each participant.

About the Center for Homicide Research

The Center for Homicide Research is a unique, research and education nonprofit organization addressing the issue of homicide. Its mission is to promote greater knowledge and understanding of homicide through sound empirical research, critical analysis, and effective community partnerships. The Center maintains a resource library with more than 1,200 books, an extensive vertical file, and 16 journals. The Center for Homicide Research has offered resources and expertise in over a dozen states and three countries on active, "cold case" and serial homicides.

Additional Information

To discuss the program and enrollment, contact Principal Researcher, Dallas Drake at *dallas.drake@mindspring.com* or by telephone at (612) 331-4820, or visit the Center's website at *www.CHRonline.org*.