



**Business & Industry Center's  
Public Safety Institute presents...**

# **Fundamentals of Criminal Investigations**



*Nothing matters but the facts. Without them, the science of criminal investigation is nothing more than a guessing game. - Blake Edward*

Basic investigative skills are essential to bring any criminal investigation to a successful conclusion. This session will provide basic knowledge in the areas of:

**Crime Scene Management:** This is an extremely significant task component of investigation because evidence that originates at the crime scene will provide a picture of events for the court to consider in its deliberations. This session will focus on note taking, securing a crime scene, evidence management and scaling the investigation to the event.

**Evidence Collection:** At a crime scene how do you know what evidence is, what do you collect, and what do you process? This session will provide a better understanding of what evidence is and how it can benefit a case.

**Follow-up Investigations:** This is a continuation of the preliminary investigation. The purpose of a follow-up investigation is to identify suspect(s) and evidence relating to guilt or innocence. This session will look at reviewing interviews, records checks, crime review, crime timeline, case check list, case notes, identifying the elements of a crime and basic social media reviews.

**Case Management:** Planning for a successful prosecution should be a consideration from the time the case is assigned. This session will look at how to build a case from the beginning to the end.

**When:** October 16, 2023 1 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. (lunch noon-1 p.m.; responsibility of the attendee)

**Where:** Washburn Tech, 5724 SW Huntoon St., Topeka, Kan. 66604

**Cost:** \$75 (includes course materials and flash drive)

**Format:** Lecture/Student Participant/Particle Application (class limited to 20 participants)

**Hosted by Washburn Tech Business & Industry Center's Public Safety Institute**  
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**[william.cochran@washburn.edu](mailto:william.cochran@washburn.edu).**

**Presenter for this training session:**



**Detective Justin Broxterman**

Broxterman has been with the Topeka Police Department for 21 years and is currently assigned to the FBI-Child Exploitation Task Force. Other assignments include patrolman, community officer and narcotics officer.

**Schedule:**

**0800-0900 Case Management**

**0900-1100 Preliminary Investigation**

**1100-1200 Crime Scene Response**

**1200-1300 Lunch (Students' Responsibility)**

**1300-1400 Crime Scene and Documentation**

**1500-1600 Interview & Interrogation**

**1600-1700 Documentation and Reports**

