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Ritualistic Crimes and Religious Extremism

Instructor: Tony Kail

June 12 - 16, 2023 | 8 am - 5 pm

Tuition: \$619

Hosting Agency:

Pasadena Police Academy
6052 Genoa Red Bluff | Pasadena, TX 77507

Lodging information:

Residence Inn by Marriott Houston Pasadena
4711 E Sam Houston Parkway, S | Pasadena, TX 77505
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Room Rate: \$95 plus tax | Free Breakfast, Free Wi-Fi, Free Parking

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ABOUT TRITECH

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

Ritualistic & Occult Crimes Scene Investigations

In today's troubled times, a growing number of law enforcement agencies are encountering cases involving criminal activity, ritual violence and religious symbolism. Many of these cases involve groups and individuals committing acts of abuse and neglect under the guise of religious practices. There is a growth in cases involving deaths resulting from deadly exorcisms and spiritual cleansing rituals. Drug and human traffickers are utilizing rituals and ceremonies of Africa and Latin America for protection from police and furtherance of criminal activities. Beliefs in conspiracy theories are motivating acts of violence including arson, bombings and murder. This five-day Ritualistic Crimes and Religious Extremism course will inform attendees of growing trends, tactics and indicators of religious extremists and ritualistic crimes.

This program's goal is to provide in-depth knowledge of extremist activities, criminal acts and the promotion of safety when dealing with these groups. The course will prepare attendees to recognize the threat of extremist and religious motivated violence. Attendees will learn to interpret symbols, artifacts and ceremonies appropriated by extremist organizations. Likewise, attendees will gain an understanding into many of the misunderstood but constitutionally protected religions and cultures they may encounter in the field.

Key Topics Include

- Constitutionally Protected vs. Criminal: Understanding the Difference
- Extremism: Racial, Religious and Conspiratorial
- Child Abuse and Cults
- Investigations involving Exorcism based Abuse
- The Role of Rituals among Human Trafficking Organizations
- Narco Cults and Ceremonial Protection of Drug Trafficking
- Crime Scenes and Religious Based Evidence
- Officer Safety and Potential Threats
- Interviewing Members, Victims and Leaders

COURSE INSTRUCTOR

TONY KAIL



Tony Kail is a cultural anthropologist that has thirty-years' experience researching and documenting religious cultures, extremist groups and security threat groups throughout the U.S. and Africa. A former Sheriff's Deputy, Kail has provided training and consulting for the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Capitol Police, United States Attorney's Office and the United States Army. He has written for numerous publications including The Journal of Counterterrorism and Homeland Security, Law and Order Magazine and Police

Quarterly. Kail is the author of several books including Narco Cults: Understanding the Use of Afro-Caribbean and Mexican Religious Cultures in the Drug Wars from CRC Press (2015), Magico-Religious Groups and Ritualistic Activities: A Guide for First Responders from CRC Press (2008) and A Cop's Guide to Occult Investigations from Paladin Press (2003). His books are recommended on the F.B.I.'s 2011 suggested reading list of Narco Cult related books for law enforcement.