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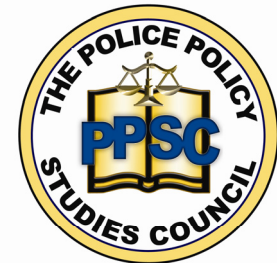
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# ADVANCED FORCE & CONTROL INSTRUCTOR SEMINAR®

## Course Description

AFCI is a five-day, 32-hour academic program. ALL aspects of this program involve principles and theories that are taught within the confines of a classroom. It has been structured to meet the needs of experienced law enforcement trainers, administrators and investigators tasked with managing use of force issues. It is also of considerable value to defense and prosecuting attorneys tasked with reviewing or defending against police misuse of force allegations.

If other prerequisites are satisfied, students successfully completing the AFCI program will be eligible for the PPSC "Certified Master Force Instructor" designation. Visit our website ([www.theppsc.org](http://www.theppsc.org)) to see the requirements for this certification

AFCI is divided into two 2-day modules. In addition, a break-out session is conducted on the final day to channel knowledge acquired in this course into practical exercises that stimulate critical thinking within policy and procedural realms. To accomplish this, each student is encouraged to bring his/her agency policies salient to the use of force.

To successfully fulfill the requirements for a AFCI certification, each student must pass an objective written examination on the fifth day of the course. The examination determines student comprehension and retention of the following learning objectives;

### Upon completion of this course, participants:

- Will understand the basics of risk management, and be able to describe their application to law enforcement.
- Will be familiar with resistance-control continuums and how they are used in use of force management.
- Will understand how to do basic legal re-

search.

- Will be familiar with use of force related Federal case law.
- Will understand how to conduct a training program needs assessment.
- Will be able to describe elements of a defensible use of force policy.
- Will be able to describe the process for developing a use of force training plan.
- Will understand and be able to describe risk management of various use of force disciplines (firearms, defensive tactics, non-lethal weapons, etc.).
- Will understand and be able to describe risk management techniques as they relate to the management of vehicle pursuits.
- Will be able to describe the important elements of defensible use of force report writing and documentation.
- Will know the frequency in which police officers misapply deadly force.
- Will know the most significant correlates associated with mistaken use of deadly force.
- Will identify the most significant correlate pertinent to officer hit ratios and volume of fire.
- Will be able to list the most influential correlates within bunch-shooting incidents.
- Will be able to list the most important operational aspects of policing under low light conditions.
- Will be able to identify the degree of decline in marksmanship and the escalation of volume of fire associated with confrontations occurring under low light conditions.
- Will be able to identify the degree of frequency in which mistake-of-fact shootings occur under low light conditions.
- Will understand the process in which perceptual shorthand contributes to mistake-of-fact shootings.
- Will be able to understand the strategy by which mistake-of-fact shootings might be attenuated.
- Will understand fundamental causal issues associated with negligent discharge of firearms.

## Course Instructors

### Steven Ashley, MS., MLS., MFCI, ARM, CPI

Steve has served in various law enforcement and police training capacities since 1974. In recent years he has also worked as a risk assessment specialist and police policy analyst. Steve is a certified instructor in many police subjects, including firearms, driving, radar, chemical munitions and defensive tactics, and has attended over 5,000 hours of advanced police training. Steve has been a police deadly force consultant, an expert witness in police use of force cases, and a consultant in cases involving police pursuit driving.

### Thomas J. Aveni, MSFP

Tom Aveni has served on the state, county and local levels of law enforcement since 1978. He has worked as a sworn law enforcement officer in three states (NJ, UT, NH). He worked as a training coordinator at Smith & Wesson Academy from 1990-2001, during which time he trained over 12,000 officers in a variety of use of force disciplines. He is widely known as one of the nation's foremost authorities on "questionable" police shootings. Tom currently works as a researcher, consultant and expert witness for PPSC.

Length	5 days/ 32 hours
Tuition	\$650
Dates	Call or visit our website
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