

Deputy Probation Officer Core Training

Topic 2.0: Professionalism and Ethics

Class 2.3: Social Media

Instructional Time – 2 hours

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Objectives
 - a. Identify potential problems created by inappropriate officer use of social media.
 - b. Identify the safety implications of social media for officers and their families.
 - c. Identify how the use of social media by the offender can negatively impact staff.
 - d. Identify the role social media plays in the supervision of offenders.
 - e. List officer limitations related to using social media to gather intelligence.
3. Activity/Quiz--Online Survey--Personal Social Media Accounts
 - a. Discussion--Online Survey--Personal Social Media accounts
4. Activity/Small groups: Internet research:
 - a. Employee discipline due to social media
 - b. Targeting via social media
 - c. Privacy concerns due to social media
 - d. Define “doxing” and provide an example
 - e. Report out (1 group at a time-interspersed within the hour)
5. Activity: Inappropriate Use of Social Media by officers
6. Social Networking and Posting on Social Media
7. Knowing Vulnerabilities
8. Activity/Small Groups: Safety Implications for officers and their families
9. Today’s society-You are always being watched
10. Peace Officers and release of records
11. Doxing
12. How can I protect myself?
13. Lessons learned
14. Social Media Tips
15. Activity: Role of Social Media when Supervising Clients
16. Open Sources of Intelligence
17. Offender Accountability
18. Activity: Offender Accountability
19. New Crimes
20. Limitations to Social Media Intelligence Gathering
21. United States vs. Kirk Patterson
22. Review / Closing / Evaluations