



2020 COURSE CATALOG

Mid-Atlantic Narcotics Training Academy



MANTA is a division of the NC National Guard Counterdrug Program



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This catalog is effective for the 2020 fiscal year (01 October 2019 to 30 September 2020), every possible step has been taken to ensure its accuracy; however, sometimes changes must be made. The Mid-Atlantic Narcotics Training Academy (MANTA) reserves the right to cancel or modify courses. Visit our website (www.ncCounterdrug.com) to view current courses to include any changes that may not be reflected in this catalog.

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MANTA'S HISTORY

The Mid-Atlantic Narcotics Training Academy (MANTA) is a division of the North Carolina National Guard Counterdrug Program (NCNG-CDP) which has been operating since 1989. Comprised of full-time Soldiers and Airmen of the NC National Guard, MANTA originally conducted training for law enforcement out of the Fort Fisher Training Center in Kure Beach. Beginning in 2016, MANTA was reorganized and now provides mobile training teams that travel throughout the entire state of NC offering free training with funding through the Governor's Crime Commission Grant.

OUR MISSION

To provide military unique capabilities and skills to law enforcement agencies with tuition free instruction in advanced counternarcotics training. MANTA supports law enforcement's work to disrupt and curtail illicit drug use and drug related crimes while also enhancing officer safety.

ELIGIBILITY

All courses are available to Federal, State, local, and tribal law enforcement, community-based organizations, and military personnel. Law enforcement officers in the state of NC will always be given priority fill for high demand courses. Personnel from outside the state of NC will automatically be placed in a wait status and only allowed to attend if space is still available at the start date.

REGISTRATION

All course registration is done online, please visit our website (www.ncCounterdrug.com) to view course dates and register. If you are a Training Officer who is registering more than one person, please provide unique email address for each person registered. This will ensure all students receive detailed course information.

CANCELATIONS & NO-SHOWS

We understand that real world operations can be unpredictable and may result in a person being unable to attend training which they have register for. In these cases we simply ask that you notify MANTA at least 48 hours prior to the start of training. This will allow us time to contact the waitlist. Any student who fails to notify MANTA and is not present during the start of training will be considered a "no-show." This is extremely detrimental to our mission as no-shows take away training opportunities from other law enforcement officers. MANTA maintains a roster of all no-shows and repeat offenders could result in negative consequences for both the individual and the agency they represent in regards to future training opportunities.

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COURSES

The following courses only represent those currently planned for this fiscal year. If there is a training topic not currently offered please contact us, we welcome all feedback and are always evaluating which courses we offer based on demand. Visit our website to view current courses and complete online registration (www.ncCounterdrug.com).

MANTA can also conduct courses specifically for your organization. Simply email us at manta@ncCounterdrug.com to request a training topic and number of students.

ACTIVE SHOOTER

Description: This course addresses technical aspects of planning and implementing rapid law enforcement deployment to an active shooter incident. Through classroom presentations, hands-on performance-based field training, and scenario-based practical exercises, attendees build critical skills that law enforcement officers acting as first responders need to effectively respond to mass consequence events, including criminal acts, terrorist attacks, and other large-scale emergencies. The course provides training, guidelines, and resources to address issues such as using a system of command to achieve a coordinated and effective incident response. Practical application of sound response principles is the main theme of this course.

Length: 3 days (24 hours)

Designed for: Law Enforcement Officers

Prerequisites: In accordance with MANTA's [eligibility](#) guidelines.

ADVANCED NARCOTICS INVESTIGATIONS

Description: This course enhances the ability of the investigator so he can successfully conduct a major investigation. Develops the whole of government concept, legally acquired court order electronic surveillances and intercepts (T-3) and why they should coordinate with Federal, State, and local agencies as well as prosecutors in order to ensure successful prosecutions. The course also covers investigations of narco-terrorism and transnational organized crime (TOC) activities. The techniques learned in this course are designed to disrupt the flow of precursor chemicals, materials and illicit finance activities that support illegal drug production.

Length: 5 days (40 hours)

Designed for: Law Enforcement Officers

Prerequisites: In accordance with MANTA's [eligibility](#) guidelines. The student must have completed the Basic Narcotics Course.

AND

Currently assigned OR within one year was assigned OR a supervisor who is assigned to Narcotic/Vice Investigation Units/Teams or Task Force and who have written affidavits for search warrants, worked with informants, conducted

surveillance, made arrests and provided expert testimony regarding narcotic/vice violations.

OR

Be a Prosecutor who is presently assigned to a Narcotics Unit/Taskforce or whose "Case Load" is primarily the prosecution of Drug Cases.

BASIC NARCOTICS INVESTIGATIONS

Description: This course is arranged to achieve the maximum student orientation to the fundamental duties and responsibilities of a narcotics investigator. The skills learned in this course will disrupt the operations of national / transnational organized criminal networks, limit their access to funding, reduce assets and raise their cost of operations.

Length: 5 days (40 hours)

Designed for: Law enforcement officers who have been recently assigned to drug law enforcement units, divisions, or task forces.

Prerequisites: In accordance with MANTA's [eligibility](#) guidelines. Preference will be given to law enforcement personnel who have investigative duties relating to drug enforcement.

BALLISTIC SHIELD

Description: This course teaches student instructors how to train patrol officers and law enforcement teams on the tactical deployment of the ballistic shield in order to deal with barricaded subjects and other high threat situations.

Length: 3 days (24 hours)

Designed for: Corrections and Law Enforcement Officers

Prerequisites: In accordance with MANTA's [eligibility](#) guidelines.

BASIC INTELLIGENCE OPERATIONS

Description: This course is conducted by Counterdrug personnel on the basics of LE intelligence operations to include: toll analysis, financial analysis, electronic data extraction, GIS mapping, language translation and open source searches. Students will gain a deeper understanding of basic intelligence collection and analysis.

Length: 1 day (8 hours)

Designed for: Law Enforcement Personnel

Prerequisites: In accordance with MANTA's [eligibility](#) guidelines.

BASIC UNDERCOVER OPERATIONS

Description: This course is designed to teach the importance of mental toughness, officer survival, report writing, audio/video surveillance, drug informant management, and courtroom presentation. Students will learn the skills necessary to work in an undercover capacity for any environment including but not limited to human trafficking, illegal weapons, and illicit drugs. Students will learn to penetrate national/transnational criminal organizations to eventually disrupt their operations and networks, limit their access to funding, reduce their assets, and raise the cost of doing business.

Length: 5 days (40 hours)

Designed for: Law Enforcement Officers

Prerequisites: In accordance with MANTA's [eligibility](#) guidelines.

COMMERCIAL VEHICLE INTERDICTION

Description: This hands-on course is designed to give students basic knowledge of how the trucking/transportation industry operates and equip them with the knowledge and confidence necessary to identify, apprehend and successfully prosecute those that exploit the industry for criminal gain. It includes "Trucking and the Terrorism Threat" and "Human Trafficking as it relates to the Transportation Industry".

This is a high speed course that exposes students to numerous types of criminal enterprises seeking refuge within the industry including organized narcotics smugglers. This class provides Domestic Highway Enforcement (DHE) personnel the skill set necessary to recognize the criminal element within the interior transportation industry and transnational organizations. Students will be introduced to the National Seizure System (NSS) and the El Paso Intelligence Center (EPIC) and taught how to use them to gain intelligence as well as network with other counter smuggling personnel. During scenario based training, instructors expose students to numerous authentic CMV's (with real hidden compartments) that were used in the commission of criminal offenses. Students will be given pre- and post- test to allow for a measurement of progress.

Length: 3 days (24 hours)

Designed for: Law Enforcement Officers

Prerequisites: In accordance with MANTA's [eligibility](#) guidelines. Preference will be given to those working drug enforcement on the roadways.

Special Equipment: This course includes a fleet of authentic seized vehicles that contain hidden compartments and other hides as well as multiple credible instructors to assist with practical training.

DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY LEVEL I

Description: The Digital Photography Level I is an introductory digital photography course developed for law enforcement first responders and criminal investigators, who are responsible for photographically documenting crime scenes, traffic accident scenes, injuries, or any other type of evidence associated with a criminal investigation.

This fast paced course begins with the fundamentals associated with controlling a photographic exposure using a Nikon Digital Single-lens Reflex (DSLR) camera system. Through a combination of lecture and scenario-based hands-on laboratories, the student develops the necessary skills associated with properly operating a digital camera to capture the high quality evidence grade photographs required in law enforcement.

This program has been approved by the Crime Scene Certification Board and the Forensic Photography Certification Board of the International Association for Identification (IAI) as meeting the requirements necessary for training and professional development towards crime scene and forensic photography certification/re-certification.

Length: 3 days (24 hours)

Designed for: Law Enforcement Personnel

Prerequisites: In accordance with MANTA's [eligibility](#) guidelines whose primary or secondary duty includes investigative photography.

DRUG LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING PROGRAM

Description: The Drug Law Enforcement Training Program (XP) (DLETP) is designed for newly assigned drug investigators or those assigned to street crime units with a drug enforcement responsibility.

Length: 3 days (24 hours)

Designed for: Law Enforcement Officers

Prerequisites: In accordance with MANTA's [eligibility](#) guidelines.

ERD I UNDERWATER CRIME SCENE INVESTIGATIONS

Description: This course combines the first level of Emergency Response Diving to certified open water divers, while also providing the necessary skills and knowledge in performing underwater crime scene investigations, preservation, and proper documentation for court-ready testimony. Some of the topics covered in the course will include: equipment

Length: 5 days (40 hours)

Designed for: Law enforcement officers assigned to a dive team.

Prerequisites: In accordance with MANTA's [eligibility](#) guidelines with

preparation, tender skills, diver communications, search patterns, scene evaluation, methods of documenting scenes, and evidence handling procedures.

CPR and open water diver certifications.

FIREARMS INSTRUCTOR TRAINING PROGRAM

Description: The Firearms Instructor Training Program (FITP) is designed to provide newly assigned firearms instructors with a familiarization of a variety of firearms, to include care and maintenance and the skills necessary to function as a law enforcement firearms instructor. The program also introduces the new instructors to teaching techniques as well as identifying and resolving shooting problems/errors.

Special Requirements: Students must be experienced in or possess the potential for presenting instructional material to LE personnel and qualified in parent agency course of fire. Actively engaged in, or expected to be detailed as a firearms instructor for parent organization, in good physical condition with no medical restrictions and can pass a FLETC health screening. Students must demonstrate firearms proficiency by successfully completing a handgun skills assessment and scoring a minimum of 85% (255) on a standard course of fire during the first day of the program.

Length: 10 days (80 hours)

Accreditation: FLETA Accredited

Designed for: Law Enforcement Officers

Prerequisites: In accordance with MANTA's [eligibility](#) guidelines.

GRACIE SURVIVAL TACTICS

Description: The GST program is specifically designed to give any LE professional, regardless of age, gender, or athletic ability, skills to neutralize the immediate threat from an aggressive subject, retain control of their weapons during the fight, and achieve a position of advantage so they can utilize the appropriate force action.

GST Overview: The GST course consists of 23 stand-up & ground techniques, taught in 24 hours over a 3-day period. Techniques address most common threat scenarios encountered by LE personnel in the field. GST is extremely effective when you are up against much larger & stronger opponents. Reduce liability for agency when officers

Length: 3 days (24 hours)

Designed for: Corrections or Law Enforcement Officers

Prerequisites: In accordance with MANTA's [eligibility](#) guidelines.

learn safe, effective & proven reality-based techniques.

HIGH RISK WOODLAND OPERATIONS

Description: This course trains the LEO/LE team to respond to and control high-risk incidents that occur in a woodland or rural environment. The student will receive instruction in the application of visual tracking, individual and team movement, equipment, camouflage, land navigation, clearing danger areas, arrest tactics, operational planning, and patrol tactics. Each of our instructors has extensive field experience in high-risk woodland operations. A variety of training methodology is used in the course including classroom lecture, drills, field exercises and case study.

Length: 5 days (40 hours)

Designed for: Corrections or Law Enforcement Officers

Prerequisites: In accordance with MANTA's [eligibility](#) guidelines.

LAW ENFORCEMENT INSTRUCTIONAL SKILLS TRAINING PROGRAM

Description: The Law Enforcement Instructional Skills Training Program (LEISTP) is designed to provide training in LE instructional skills focused on curriculum delivery. Students are not required to prepare a lesson plan for delivery, however they do receive an overview of lesson plans, scenarios, and performance objectives. Students are required to bring an agency lesson plan that they will be required to use to deliver a 40 minute practical exercise designed to evaluate their ability to instruct from an existing lesson plan. The LEISTP incorporates a variety of instructional methodologies including participative lecture, student-centered learning, demonstrations, role-play, and presentation labs. To receive a FLETC Certificate of Training, students must pass a written exam and a 40 minute PE.

Length: 5 days (40 hours)

Accreditation: FLETA Accredited

Designed for: Law Enforcement Officers

Prerequisites: In accordance with MANTA's [eligibility](#) guidelines who is actively engage in, or is expected to deliver instruction to LE personnel for your organization.

LAW ENFORCEMENT RIFLE TRAINING PROGRAM

Description: The LERTP is an advanced training program structured to train students in rifle/carbine skills and techniques with iron sights and optical sighting systems. The AR-15/M-4 is the platform used during this program. The program is designed for the LEO who may be required to use a rifle/carbine in various law enforcement situations. Must be in good physical condition with no medical restrictions and pass a FLETC health screening.

Length: 5 days (40 hours)

Designed for: Law Enforcement Officers

Prerequisites: In accordance with MANTA's [eligibility](#) guidelines.

OPEN WATER DIVER CERTIFICATION

Description: The open water diver certification course is designed to give you the necessary skills to safely conduct open water dives. This course is a prerequisite for ERD I Underwater Crime Scene Investigations course.

Length: 5 days (40 hours)

Designed for: Law enforcement officers who are or will be part of a dive team.

Prerequisites: In accordance with MANTA's [eligibility](#) guidelines.

OPERATIONAL SKILLS AND SURVIVAL TACTICS

Description: This course is taught by experienced counterdrug personnel and offers the LEO the skills to operate in an outdoor/rural environment. These skills are presented in both a classroom environment and in day and night practical exercises.

Length: 5 days (40 hours)

Designed for: Law Enforcement Officers

Prerequisites: In accordance with MANTA's [eligibility](#) guidelines.

Objectives:

- Mission Planning
- Camouflage & Concealment Techniques
- Booby-trap Identification
- Movement to Contact
- Risk Assessment
- Land Navigation
- Global Positioning System (GPS) Use

Students should be in good health and physical condition, capable of performing minimal physical skills associated with field exercises.

SEARCH WARRANT PLANNING AND EXECUTION I

Description: This class provides the basics in planning, communications, rehearsals, execution and mechanics of movement. Successful employment of tactics learned in this course not only increases officer safety, but reduces the amount of illicit drugs and usually leads to additional investigations involving national/transnational criminal organizations, street drugs, and OMG's.

Length: 5 days (40 hours)

Designed for: Law Enforcement Officers

Prerequisites: In accordance with MANTA's [eligibility](#) guidelines.

SPANISH FOR DRUG ENFORCEMENT

Description: This course will expose the student to a comprehensive approach in speaking with Spanish only speakers. Speaking Spanish is vital in enforcing laws concerning TCOs. Within the scope of this training, students will be able to read, write and speak Spanish in three verb tenses. Each student will be able to conduct traffic stops in the Spanish language, coupled with the knowledge of the Latino culture. Each student will be able to understand danger phrases, weapon terminology, investigate assault, robbery, domestic violence, drug investigations as well as suspect/victim identification. All students will have a working knowledge of Hispanic name composition and will be able to effectively run individuals through NCIC and the state crime information systems.

Length: 3 days (24 hours)

Designed for: Law Enforcement Officers

Prerequisites: In accordance with MANTA's [eligibility](#) guidelines.

SPECIAL RESPONSE TEAM I

Description: This course is a basic LE tactical team course designed to instruct the student in officer safety techniques and team protective measures during a tactical team deployment in high risk operations against armed suspects. The course focuses on enabling the student to learn the presented tactics and techniques through classroom lessons, supported by live fire ranges and practical exercises. Practical exercises are decision oriented, requiring analysis during stressful tactical team missions in armed 'force on force' simunitions scenarios.

This course prepares responders to deal with wide-ranging incidents including: hostage/barricaded gunman situations, high risk search and arrest warrant service, terrorist incidents, security operations, and response to civil disturbances. Teams are equipped and trained to operate in urban and rural environments in both daylight and darkness. Blocks of instruction include: ballistic theory, reconnaissance, weapons manipulation, movement drills, live fire, structure clearing operations, structure entry methods, tactical team missions, low light operations, and vehicle assaults/takedowns.

Length: 5 days (40 hours)

Designed for: Law Enforcement Officers

Prerequisites: In accordance with MANTA's [eligibility](#) guidelines who is actively engaged in SWAT/SRT operations.

Students should be in good health and physical condition, capable of performing minimal physical skills associated with field exercises.

SYNTHETIC OPIOID/FENTANYL PROCESSING

Description: This course is designed to combat the emerging synthetic opioid threat while focusing on the hazards associated with contact of these dangerous substances. This course will certify the student in the safe processing and transportation of synthetic opioids such as fentanyl.

Length: 1 day (8 hours)

Designed for: Law Enforcement Personnel

Prerequisites: In accordance with MANTA's [eligibility](#) guidelines.

TACTICAL EMERGENCY CASUALTY CARE

Description: TECC is a set of best practice treatment guidelines for trauma care in the high threat pre-hospital environment. These guidelines are built upon critical lessons learned by the US and allied military forces over the past 15 years of conflict. They are appropriately modified to address the specific needs of civilian populations and civilian First Responders. This includes pediatric, geriatric, and special needs patients as well as considerations for underlying medical conditions common in a civilian population, and limitations of civilian EMS and the varied types of threats that all First Responders face.

Length: 2 days (16 hours)

Designed for: Non-medically trained law enforcement officers.

Prerequisites: In accordance with MANTA's [eligibility](#) guidelines.

Students should be in good health and physical condition, capable of performing minimal physical skills associated with field exercises.

TWO GUN OPERATOR

Description: This an intensive live fire course that focuses on the employment of the pistol and carbine rifle.

Curriculum Includes:

- Practical application drills
- Shooting Positions
- Shooting and moving
- Emergency action drills
- Malfunction clearance
- Loading and Reloading techniques
- Carbine and equipment selection discussion
- Carbine/Rifle safety considerations

Length: 3 days (24 hours)

Designed for: Law Enforcement Officers

Prerequisites: In accordance with MANTA's [eligibility](#) guidelines.

Attire & Equipment: Comfortable field attire is encouraged. This class is geared toward officers performing in their duty environment. Please feel free to wear what you work in.

Marksmanship fundamentals
Zeroing procedures (irons/optics)
Ready positions
Vehicle engagement considerations
Sight holdover techniques

Ammo: 600 rounds rifle, 600 rounds pistol

UNARMED SELF DEFENSE TRAIN THE TRAINER COURSE

Description: This train the trainer course covers the basic knowledge and skills necessary for a LEO to utilize their body as a line of defense. Narcotics Agents are often confronted with suspects who are not armed. This course will focus on officer safety, survivability, basic unarmed fundamentals, force continuum, defensive maneuvers, and more. From the uniformed officer performing drug interdiction to the deep undercover agent investigating major traffickers, this course will provide lifesaving skills, and allow the trainee to teach these skills to other officers. The training delivered is a force multiplier which allows officers to deliver the training to their parent organization.

Students should be in good health and physical condition, capable of performing minimal physical skills associated with field exercises.

Length: 5 days (40 hours)

Designed for: Law Enforcement Officers

Prerequisites: In accordance with MANTA's [eligibility](#) guidelines who will be instructing personnel in their parent organization.

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TERMS & DEFINITIONS

- **CMV:** Commercial Motor Vehicle
- **EPIC:** El Paso Intelligence Center
- **ERD:** Emergency Response Diving
- **FLETA:** Federal Law Enforcement Training Accreditation
- **FLETC:** Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers
- **GST:** Gracie Survival Tactics
- **LE:** Law Enforcement
- **LEA:** Law Enforcement Agency
- **LEO:** Law Enforcement Officer
- **MANTA:** Mid-Atlantic Narcotics Training Academy
- **NCIC:** National Crime Information Center
- **NCNG-CDP:** North Carolina National Guard Counterdrug Program
- **NSS:** National Seizure System
- **OMG:** Outlaw Motorcycle Gangs
- **OSST:** Operational Skills and Survival Tactics
- **SRT:** Special Response Team
- **TCO:** Transnational Criminal Organization
- **TECC:** Tactical Emergency Casualty Care
- **TOC:** Transnational Organized Crime
- **DHE:** Domestic Highway Enforcement