## Instructor's Bio - Antonio Zarzoza, "Instructor Z"



Antonio Zarzoza, better known by colleagues and students as "Instructor Z," is an internationally recognized police and corrections trainer. He is a Below 100 Core Instructor, a Certified Force Science Specialist, and a Texas Master Peace Officer with over 2 decades of combined law enforcement experience.

He leads training for the University of Texas RGV PD Advanced Law Enforcement Training Center in Edinburg, TX, where he trains local, state, and federal law enforcement officers year-round.

Zarzoza has been qualified in state and federal courts as a Subject Matter Expert in police use of force, defensive tactics, and crisis intervention. Additionally, Zarzoza is an adjunct instructor with Blue HELP/First HELP and has served with the US Department of State as a contract police trainer, providing specialized training for law enforcement officials in Mexico and other countries in Latin America.

Zarzoza's most recent career highlight occurred in June 2022 when he was recognized by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Training (TCOLE) as a Subject Matter Expert in Curriculum Design and Instructor Development Training. He was subsequently appointed by the Commission's Education Services Unit to the 2022 Curriculum Review & Development Committee to oversee the evaluation and redesigning of the commission's curriculum for the Basic & Advanced Instructor Courses.

He is a sought-after conference speaker at national and international events, a published writer, and an entrepreneur operating his own training firm as Instructor Z & Associates International, LLC.

For a list of published work and training programs available from Antonio Zarzoza, "Instructor Z," visit <u>www.instructor-z.com</u>

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