



DAVE YOUNG

Innovative, Dynamic Law Enforcement Training

Helping officers get home for more than 25 years



About Dave

Dave Young is recognized as one of the nation's leading tactical instructors and an expert in equipment testing and establishing protocols. He specializes in crowd management, non-lethal weaponry, chemical and specialty impact munitions, ground defense tactics, and is the founder of Water-Based Defensive Tactics and S.M.A.R.T. training series for educators, parents and youths.

Dave combines a unique blend of physical expertise, teaching know-how and a hands-on approach to speaking and training engagements. He shows people how to survive instead of just telling them about survival.

Dave graduated from his first law enforcement academy in 1985 and now has over 25 years of combined civilian and military law enforcement and training experience. He was a sworn corrections and law enforcement officer in the state of Florida and has served as a gate sentry, patrol officer, watch commander, investigator, Special Reaction Team (SRT) member, leader and commander in the United States Marine Corps. He has participated as a control system designer for both military and civilian authorities.

Dave brings reality to his training and speaking in order to create a believable environment that allows participants to experience the stress of real-world confrontations in a safe format. From 2005-08, he hosted a television series for National Geographic titled, Crash Test Human. This unique show put Dave's testing and evaluation skills to the test. In the series, he personally survived a head-on collision, escaped a car submerged underwater, spent time in a Hyperbaric chamber, and escaped a burning building. He also wrote a Police Tech series in which he performed his own stunts.

In 2010, Dave founded US Fighting Systems, a company based on teaching real-world survival techniques that are courtroom defensible, easy to remember, based on gross motor skills, and effective when applied based on working within your own physical limitations.

Keynotes & Training Courses

Officer Survival

Dave specializes in officer survival tactics for law enforcement, corrections, security and military operations, addressing attacks and ambushes uniform officers on patrol, risk and threat assessments for undercover assignments, counter combative tactics, surviving knife attacks, how to win gunfights, weapons disarming strategies, articulation of force options, surviving as a hostage and much more. Dave brings field proven solutions for real-world threats.

Crowd Management

Dave has participated and supervised crowd management operations around the world for specialized units, including the United States Marines Corp, Federal Bureau of Prisons, BRIMOB – the elite unit of the Indonesian Police Force, and other agencies throughout Europe, the Middle East and African.

Non-Lethal Weapons

Dave is one of the most sought-after non-lethal weapons instructors in the United States today. He developed some of the first chemical aerosol projectors, tactical chemical munitions, protective mask, specialty impact munitions, distraction devices and other non-lethal weapons deployed by police agencies around the world.

Specialized Presentations

Specialized and tailored presentations by can address everything from the emotional stability needed to win in stressful and ever-changing conditions to the mental strength and physical strategies that work within your own physical limitations.

To invite Dave to speak at an upcoming conference or event, or to schedule training, please contact us at:

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What others are saying about Dave

"I have been a full-time law enforcement trainer since 1981 and I first met Dave in 1992. Since then, I have seen him grow into one of the most innovative, dynamic and sought-after trainers in the business today."

– Ed Nowicki
Executive Director Emeritus, ILEETA

"Dave Young, in my opinion, is one of the best; if not the best trainer I have ever taken training from. His methods are proven and his determination to get the information to the student is remarkable."

– Deputy Vincent Stitt
Cumberland County Sheriff's Office

"I've been an officer for eight years and the training I received from Dave is something I should have been receiving for years. Your guys are going to learn so many things that are so simple. You can put your guys on the street and make them better and make sure they go home at night."

– Greg Kiel
Grand Chute Police Department

"Dave provided me with information and hands on training that literally saved my life and others."

– Michelle Hoskins-Pettingill
Satellite Beach Police Department

"Dave's class has given us tools that we've just never had before. These are lifesaving techniques. Not to offer these to our officers is doing them a disservice and putting them at risk."

– Deputy Shawn Mann
Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office

"After taking Dave's class I feel a lot more confident, being that I'm probably a lot smaller than the guys I come across that I'll be able to defend myself. Not only that, but take a beating, defend myself, escape and get to safety or engage."

– Nicole Berman
Brown County Jail

More about Dave

Dave is a technical advisor for Dr. Bill Lewinsky, President of the Force Science Institute, chairman of the Policeone.com Advisory Board, an Advisory Board member for Police Magazine, and an active member of International Law Enforcement Trainers and Educators (ILEETA), International Law Enforcement Firearm Instructors Association (IALEFI) and Georgia Law Enforcement Firearm Instructor Association (GALEFI).

Dave has also been featured in People Magazine, the Wall Street Journal, and hosted several television shows for National Geographic on police technology.



Partial Client List

United States Marine Corps
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Canadian Ocean Ministries
United States Capitol Police
Serious Organized Crime Agency, UK
Federal Nigerian Police Forces
New York City Police Department
Tallahassee Police Department
Broward County Sheriffs Office

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