



# State of California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST)

## Student Learning Outcomes (WEB)

### Introduction

Student learning outcomes are about what your students can do after they've completed your course after they've completed the academy-- in the field, where it matters.

This course gives instructors an opportunity to work with student learning outcomes—pulling the focus back from how to teach a particular subject to establishing a means to ensure students will continue to apply what they've learned beyond the classroom.

In this course, instructors will practice defining student learning outcomes, selecting activities that enable students to meet learning outcomes, and choosing ways to modify activities to better support learning outcomes. Along the way, peers and students will provide feedback on how well the choices result in successful performance in the classroom and, eventually, the field.

### Content Outline

#### Module 1: Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs)

- Welcome to the Course
- What is a Learning Outcome?  
Learning Activity: Participants identify which instructors provide the best advice including how learning outcomes provide criteria for evaluating student performance
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#### Module 2: Targeting SLOs

- Practice Your SLO Skills  
Learning Activity: identify targeted SLOs and learning activities for two courses
- Improve Learning: Laws of Arrest  
Learning Activity: Improve SLOs for a course in the Laws of Arrest
- Select the Activities: Laws of Arrest  
Learning Activity: Determine which activities are best to teach a subject by considering measurable changes, practice, feedback, and the level of the activity.
- Improve Learning: Arrest Methods  
Learning Activity: Improve SLOs for a course in Arrest Methods
- Select the Activities: Arrest Methods  
Learning Activity: Determine which activities are best to teach a subject by considering measurable changes, practice, feedback, and the level of the activity.



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## Module 3: Recommend Modifications

- Modify Learning Activities
- Modify a Video Case Study  
Learning Activity: Evaluate observations from students and advice from other instructors to modify learning activities to best fit SLOs for a video case study
- Modify A Scenario-Based Activity  
Learning Activity: Evaluate observations from students and advice from other instructors to modify learning activities to best fit SLOs for a scenario-based activity
- Modify A Role Play  
Learning Activity: Evaluate observations from students and advice from other instructors to modify learning activities to best fit SLOs for a role play activity
- Modify an Activity for Your Course  
Learning Activity: Evaluate observations from students and advice from other instructors to modify learning activities to best fit SLOs for a communications course
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## Module 4: Challenge

- The Final Challenge
- Learning Outcomes: Ethics  
Evaluation Activity: Improve SLOs for a course in Leadership, Professionalism and Ethics
- Select the Activities: Ethics  
Evaluation Activity: Determine which activities are best to teach a course in Leadership, Professionalism and Ethics considering measurable changes, practice, feedback, and the level of the activity. Activities should relate to the selected SLO.

## Module 5: Conclusion

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