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**Course Goal:** To Provide the student with an understanding of what constitutes sexual harassment, how to respond to sexual harassment in the workplace and the legal remedies available through the sexual harassment complaint process.

#### Learning Objectives:

- State the legal definition of sexual harassment [42.5A]
- Discuss the federal and state laws dealing with sexual harassment to include Title VII, Government Code Section 12940 et. seq., Concepts of Quid Pro Quo, Concepts of hostile work environment, Current case law [42.5B1-5]
- Explain the legal remedies available to a victim of sexual harassment [42.5C]
- Describe behaviors that constitute sexual harassment including, Verbal, Physical, Visual, Written material, Sexual favors, Threats, Hostile work environment, and Force [42.5D 1-8]
- Understand "Hostile work Environment" and how it impacts Core Values/Community
- Explain the mandated sexual harassment complaint process guidelines [42.5E]
- State the protections the exists to prevent retaliation against anyone submitting a sexual harassment complaint **[42.5F]**
- Describe the methods for responding to sexually offensive or unwanted behavior [42.5G]
- Given a minimum of four POST-developed video re-enactments depicting possible sexual harassment, or an equivalent number of simulations, scenarios, or video representations provided by the presenter, the student will participate in a facilitated discussion which addresses the following: Any behaviors which are illegal, as defined by federal or state sexual harassment laws, Professional, personal, and organizational impacts of the incident, Legal and administrative consequences of the behaviors observed, whether or not state sexual harassment reporting guidelines apply to the situation **[42.7C1-4]**

#### Session 4 Time: 3 Hours

#### **Resources:**

- Classroom with tables
- Laptop, Projector and Speakers
- PowerPoint
- Whiteboard and Dry-erase Markers
- Handouts: "Preventing sexual harassment", Case Studies, Training Bulletin, Vol XLII, Issue 2 "Anti-Discrimination and Retaliation"; Mayor's Executive Directives, No. 11 "Gender Equity in City Operations" and No. 23 "Harassment and Discrimination".
   "Discrimination Free Workplace Policy", "Discrimination Complaint Procedure".
- Learning Domain 42 Cultural Diversity Workbook
- Video: "City of Los Angeles Sexual Harassment Video" (20 Minutes)
- Session Summary: The recruit officer will be able to define and understand the types of sexual harassment, be familiar with Federal and State laws as well as City and Department policies, Understand the legal liability for employees, supervisors and managers, Articulate the

Department's complaint procedure, Discuss ways sexual harassment could occur at specific work sites, Describe what to do if they believe sex discrimination or harassment is occurring, Understand "hostile work environment" and how it impacts Core Values/Community.

				Outline	Instructor Notes
I.				on to Sexual Harassment	
	Α.	Sex	ual	Harassment is a form of sex discrimination and	
				ination in the work place is illegal	
	Β.			ng Activity: Sexual Harassment is about POWER	Learning Activity #1: Sexual
		1.	Wr	ite the word "POWER" on the board	Harassment is about POWER
		2.	Elio	cit meanings for the word "POWER"	
			a.	Expected responses:	
				1) Control	
				2) Authority	
				3) Decision making	Ask: Who has power?
			b.	Expected responses:	
				1) Bosses	
				2) Parents	
				3) Teachers	
				4) DI's	
				5) Sergeants	Ask: Why do people have
			с.	Expected responses:	trouble giving up power?
				1) Change is difficult	
				2) People fear losing control of their own destiny	
			d.	Expected responses:	Ask: What are some of the
				1) Example of teenager, begin taking control of life	reasons for wanting power?
				but parent struggles against giving power	
				because security, status quo, fear of unknown,	
				fear for teenager,	
				2) Power is not easily given up for a variety of	
				reasons, not only because parent thinks child is	Ask: What are some of the
				unable or inferior etc.	tensions that can be involved in
			e.	Expected responses:	power sharing?
				1) Redefining roles	
				2) Defining expectations	Ask: What are some of the ways
			f.	Expected responses:	that we as police officers can use
				1) Threaten not to back them up on their calls	our positions to control another
				2) Threaten to spread rumors	employee?
	C.	Lea	rnir	ng Activity: Definitions	
		1.	De	fine Sexual Harassment [42.5A]	Learning Activity #2: Definitions
			a.		
				and unwanted sexual advances, requests for sexual	Ask: What is it speaking to?
				favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of a	Ask: How does it apply to you?
				sexual nature when:	Ask: What does it mean to me?
				1) Submission to such conduct is made either	
				explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an	

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		individual's employment	
	2)	Submission to or rejection of such conduct by	
		an individual is used aa basis for employment	
		decisions affecting that individual	
	3)	Such conduct has the purpose or effect of	
		unreasonably interfering with an individual's	
		work performance or creating an intimidating,	
		hostile, offensive working environment. (PWB	
		5-3)	
		a) Sexual Harassment refers to sexually	
		oriented behavior that: (WB pg 5-3)	
		(1) Is unwelcome	Ask: Can sexual harassment
		(2) Is personally offensive, and	occur between individuals of the
		(3) Creates an intimidating, hostile or	same gender?
		offensive work environment.	C C
		(4) Expected Response:	
		(a) Yes	
		b) Describe behaviors that constitute sexual	
		harassment [42.5D]	
		(1) Four types of behavior that constitute	
		sexual harassment, (handout pg. 2)	
		(a) Physical <b>[42.5D2] [42.5D8]</b> –	
		touching, force, threats	
		(b) Verbal <b>[42.5D1]</b> - statement, jokes,	
		whistles, requesting sexual favors,	
		threats <b>[42.5D5-6]</b>	
		(c) Written <b>[42.5D4]</b> - letters, graphics,	
		e-mail	
		(d) Visual <b>[42.5D3]</b> -posters, staring	
2.	Discus	s the federal and state laws dealing with sexual	
		ment to include: [42.05.B]	
		le VII, (WB pg 5-5) <b>[42.5B1]</b> (PWD 5-5)	
		Part of the 1964 Civil Rights Act	
	,	Filed with the EEOC	
	•	overnment Code 12940 <b>[42.5B2]</b>	
		Includes sexual harassment as an unlawful	
	-,	employment practice	
	2)	Stated employer must take responsibilities in	
	-/	taking corrective action	
	c. Co	ncept of Quid Pro Quo [42.5B3]	
		A form of sexual harassment in which	
	±)	submission to or rejection of sexual advances is	
		made a condition of employment or	
		employment decision.	
	d. Co	ncept of Hostile work environment [42.5B4]	
		2.5D7]	
	1)	Sexually harassing conduct	
	±)	Service in the sound conduct	

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	2) Within the complainant's immediate work			
	environment			
	3) Which is so pervasive as to interfere with an			
	individual's job performance			
	4) Which conduct may or may not be directed at			
	the complainant			
	e. Current Case Law <b>[42.5B5]</b>			
	1) Refer to current case law to define "Work			
	Environment"			
	2) Refer to current case law when discussing			
	concepts of Quid Pro Quo			
3.	The protection that exists to prevent retaliation against			
	anyone submitting a sexual harassment complaint			
	[42.5F]			
	a. Protection from Retaliation [42.5F]			
	1) Requires employers to prevent and/or stop			
	retaliation against complainant			
	2) Government Code 12950 protects complainants			
	and witnesses.			
	3) LAPD Policy 1/272 Protection from Retaliation			
	(In Workplace Discrimination Guide)			
4.	Explain the legal remedies available to a victim of sexual			
	harassment [42.5C]			
	a. Sexual harassment is a violation of the California			
	Fair Employment and Housing Act.			
	b. Victims can obtain right to sue letter from the EEOC			
	or EEOC can negotiate remedies or make an award			
	to the complaining party			
	c. Officers found guilty of sexual harassment can be			
	subject to civil suits, fines, termination, reprimand			
_	and or other punitive damages.			
5.	Explain the mandated sexual harassment complaint			
	process guidelines [42.5E]			
	a. Penal Code Section 13519.7 mandates development			
	of complaint guidelines for peace officers who are			
	victims of sexual harassment in the workplace. The			
	guidelines apply to peace officers who are			
	employees of:			
	1) City police department			
	<ol> <li>County sheriff's departments</li> <li>Districts</li> </ol>			
	<ul> <li>3) Districts</li> <li>4) State university police departments</li> </ul>			
G	4) State university police departments			
6.	Describe methods for responding to sexually offensive or unwanted behavior [42.5G]			
	a. When appropriate, recipients of perceived sexual harassment may inform the harasser that the			
	conduct in unwelcomed, offensive and should			
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			cease, but are not legally required to do so.		
		b.	Where the complainant is uncomfortable with a		
			personal confrontation, he/she should contact any		
			supervisor, manager, department head, or their		
			equivalent		
		c.	Where the complainant perceives that the		
			department's internal environment is no conducive		
			to making an internal complaint, he/she has the		
			option of reporting the harassment to an entity		
			external to the department	Learning Activity #3: "City of Los	
		d.	Officers are not required to follow the chain of	Angeles Sexual Harassment	
			command in reporting sexual harassment in the	Video"	
			workplace.		
D.	Lea	rnin	g Activity: "City of Los Angeles Sexual Harassment		
		eo"			
	1.	Sho	ow video		
	2.	Del	brief video		
		a.	Advise students that each individual may respond		
			uniquely to sexual harassment. What one individual		
			thinks is humorous, for example, could be offensive		
			to another and therefore considered sexual		
			harassment. Understanding the definition helps		
			them decide what may be discrimination, or		
			misunderstandings, or someone testing their		
			tolerance		
		b.	Emphasize the importance of talking to the person		
		-	and requesting the behavior to stop. Advise the		
			student that this is an option that can be very		
			successful in stopping the behavior. However,		
			speaking to the offender is not mandatory. A victim		
			of sexual harassment may skip the chain of		
			command or go outside the Department to make a		
			complaint of sexual harassment.		
		c.	Direct students to the Workplace Discrimination		
		-	reference guide for resource material.		
		d.	Emphasize that sexual harassment is ethically		
			wrong, counter-productive and illegal.	Ask: If what you are about to say	
E.	FAG	CILIT	ATED DISCUSSION	or do, was videotaped and	
	1.		derstanding the Sexual Harassment definition and	shown to your boss, your spouse	
			s will assist in determining if the behavior rises to	or significant other or your child.	
			level of discrimination, misconduct or	Would you have to explain	
			sunderstanding.	yourself?	
	2.		ite on dry erase board – "3 Prong Test".		
	3.		Prong Test		
			If what you are about to say or do, was videotaped		
			and shown to		
			1) your boss (Chief Moore)		
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		<ol><li>your spouse or significant other</li></ol>			
		3) or your child,			
	b.	Would you have to explain yourself?			
4.	Un	professional Behavior Flow Chart (Write flow chart			
	on	white board)			
	a.	The first level of the flow chart is " <u>Unprofessional</u>			
		Behavior" this is where we can all have an impact			
		on issues of discrimination in the workplace.	Ask: How can we be proactive at		
		<ol> <li>We as peers can intervene when we see</li> </ol>	a point before the situation		
		someone acting in an unprofessional manner.	escalates to misconduct or		
		Peer intervention is the most effective tool	unlawful discrimination?		
		officers can use to modify behavior prior to the			
		behavior becoming misconduct/discrimination.			
		<ol><li>Expected responses:</li></ol>			
		a) Set standards			
		b) Role Model professional behavior			
	b.	The second level of the flow chart is " <u>Misconduct"</u>			
		1) Misconduct defined			
		a) Commission of a criminal offense			
		b) Neglect of duty			
		c) Violation of Department policies, rules or			
		procedures			
		d) Conduct unbecoming			
		2) Must immediately be reported to a supervisor			
	C.	The third level of the flow chart is <u>"Unlawful</u>			
		Discrimination"	Ask: Are you in a setting where		
		1) Sexual Harassment is just one type of	someone may overhear all or		
		discrimination	part of your conversation?		
		2) Criminal in Nature			
_		3) Also Misconduct but more serious	Ask: Could your behavior be		
5.		cation, Audience, Relationship (Write on Board)	misinterpreted?		
	a.	,			
		audience and relationship to determine whether	Ask: Where are you now?		
		their behavior is appropriate in the work place.	(Academy, work?)		
		1) Location:			
		a) Are you in a setting where someone may	Ask: Are you aware of your		
		overhear all or part of your conversation?	audience makeup? (public,		
		b) Could your behavior be misinterpreted?	civilians, sworn)		
		<ul><li>c) Where are you now? (Academy, work?)</li><li>d) Just because you can't be seen doesn't</li></ul>	Ask: Is your behavior suitable		
		mean you can't be heard (locker room and	-		
		cubicles)	for the group you're in?		
		-	Ask: Are you interacting with		
		<ul><li>2) Audience:</li><li>a) Are you aware of your audience makeup?</li></ul>	peers, supervisors or		
		(public, civilians, sworn)	subordinates?		
		b) Is your behavior suitable for the group	Suborumates:		
		you're in?	Ask: Do you interact with		
		you ie iii:	ASK. DO YOU IIILEI ALL WILLI		

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		Commanding Officers.	
		b) Objectively this is vulgar language and is	
		offensive to the reasonable person.	
		However, one isolated comment would not	
		prevent a reasonable person from coming	
		to work and doing their job.	
	3)	Expected responses:	
		(1) Tell him to stop	Ask: How would you handle this
		(2) Discuss the impact of the incident with	incident? Why?
		the recruit officer who made the	
		statement and those who laughed if she	
		-	
		feels comfortable to do so	
		(3) Advise class leader so a statement of	
		can be made to the entire class about	
		appropriate and inappropriate language	
		in the workplace	
		(4) Report to your class supervisor	
	4١		Ask: How does the gender of
	4)	Expected responses	C C
		(1) Gender would be irrelevant to the	the involved parties alter how
		investigation	you view this incident?
3. <u>Ca</u>	se St	udy 2	
a.	Αr	ecruit class is working out on the pull-up bars. A	
		ale recruit did more pull-ups than the two male	
		ruits before her. One of the two male recruits	
		to the other loudly enough for the female	
		ruit to hear, "She must be a lesbian."	
	1)	Expected responses:	
		a) Inappropriate comments	Ask: What is going on in this
		b) Insecurity about their physical ability and	scenario?
		that a woman may be stronger or as strong	
	2)	Expected responses: Justify your response	
	-,	based on the resources.	Ask: Does it rise to the level of
			sexual harassment? Why or why
		- / -	
		b) This one comment is not sexual harassment	not?
		by itself. However, if it becomes repeated,	
		continuous or pervasive it becomes a	
		hostile work environment, sexual	
		harassment.	
		c) Comments about a person's sexual	
		orientation have no place in the workplace	
		and are offensive to the reasonable person.	
		If the behavior is repeated or flagrant	
		enough, it could cause a reasonable person	
		to feel uncomfortable to come to work and	
		do their job. In any case, the behavior is	
		inappropriate for the workplace and	
		probably would be considered Misconduct	

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by most Commanding Officers	
<ol><li>Expected responses:</li></ol>	
a) Tell him to stop	Ask: How would you handle this
b) Discuss the impact of the incident with the	incident? Why?
recruit officer who made the statement if	
she feels comfortable to do so	
4) Expected responses:	
(1) It should not alter it	Ask: How does the gender of
4. <u>Case Study 3</u>	the involved parties alter how
a. On a Monday morning before start of watch, a	you view this incident?
group of three male recruits are dressing in the	
locker room. One of the recruits is talking about a	
woman he dated that weekend. He begins to go	
into detail about his sexual activities on the date.	
1) Expected responses:	Ask: What is going on in this
a) What is going on in this scenario?	scenario?
(1) Sharing of private information	scenario:
(1) Sharing of private information (2) Questions to ask? Who is present, who	Ack: What is going on in this
	Ask: What is going on in this scenario?
might overhear, is the location	
appropriate for this type of	Ask: Who is present?
conversation?	
b) Does it rise to the level of sexual	Ask: Who might overhear?
harassment? Why or why not? Expected	
responses: Justify your response based on	Ask: Is the location appropriate
the resources.	for this type of conversation?
(1) Discussing sexual exploits is a form of	
verbal sexual harassment.	Ask: Does it rise to the level of
(2) If someone heard the comment and	unlawful sexual harassment?
was offended, this could be considered	Why or why not?
sexual harassment. An isolated incident	
rarely rises to the level of unlawful	
sexual harassment.	
c) How would you handle this incident? Why?	
Expected responses:	
(1) Tell him to stop	
(2) Discuss the impact of the incident with	Ask: How would you handle this
the recruit officer who made the	incident? Why?
statement and what the consequences	-
of talking about private matters in a	
public place that could be overheard	
(3) Advise the class leader, DI, sergeant	
d) Does the gender of the involved parties	
alter how you view this incident? Expected	
responses:	
(1) Locker room talk	
(2) How might this be offensive? Expected	
responses: Co-workers involved	Ask: Does the gender of the
responses. Co-workers involved	Ask. Dues the genuer of the

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5. <u>Case Study 4</u>	involved parties alter how you			
a. Sally and Jim are in the same Academy class. Jim	view this incident?			
has been avoiding Sally because she flirts openly	Ask: How might this be			
with him and asked him out the week before. Jim	offensive?			
told Sally he has a girlfriend and doesn't want to				
date Sally. During a break, Sally again asked Jim ou	t			
and said she won't take no for an answer.				
1) Expected responses:				
a) Possible Sexual Harassment				
b) Inappropriate behavior/Misconduct	Ask: What is going on in this			
c) Stalking?	scenario?			
d) Pestering, repetitive annoying				
2) Expected responses: Justify your response				
based on the resources.				
a) Could be depending on how Jim felt about				
Sally asking him out again	Ask: Does it rise to the level of			
b) Especially if this behavior continues	unlawful sexual harassment?			
c) If the male recruit has repeatedly told Sall	y Why or why not?			
"No", it begins to move into the area of				
sexual harassment (repeated, continuous,				
pervasive.)				
d) Because this is not a supervisor				
/subordinates it is not quid pro quo.				
However, this may have become a hostile				
work environment for Jim, to the point				
where he no longer wants to take breaks				
for fear of running into the female recruit.				
3) Expected responses:				
a) In the beginning when it first starts tell he	r			
to stop				
b) Notify a supervisor	Ask: How would you handle this			
c) This behavior must stop	incident? Why?			
d) Sally must be told to stop the behavior				
e) Jim now needs someone to intervene, it is				
beginning to impact Jim's work				
environment				
f) Class leader, DI and supervisor should all b				
involved in developing a short and long				
term plan to stop the behavior and ensure				
it does not continue				
g) Disciplinary action may be taken				
h) This will protect Jim and Sally				
4) Expected responses:				
a) The gender makes no difference				
b) Same gender relationships apply too				
by Sume gender relationships apply too	[45] Ask: How does the gender			
6. <u>Case Study 5 <b>[42.7C1-4]</b></u>	of the involved parties alter how			
	of the involved parties after now			

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a. Jul	ie is a Recruit Officer about halfway through her	you view this incident?		
Aca	ademy training. Her friend Mary had graduated			
and	d is on probation at Wilshire Division. One day			
Ma	ary calls Julie to tell her that she is thinking of			
qui	itting her job. When Julie asks why, Mary tells her			
tha	at her Training Officer constantly makes			
	mments such as "women don't belong on the job			
	d should be home making babies". Mary reports			
	r Training Officer's behavior to her den sergeant			
	no advises the Watch Commander. The Watch			
	mmander counsels the Training Officer for his			
	appropriate comments. The following week Mary			
	ceived an unsatisfactory rating from her Training			
	ficer. Mary had always received excellent ratings			
	or to this incident.			
1)	Expected responses:	Ack What is sains as is this		
	a) Gender bias statements	Ask: What is going on in this		
	b) Causing a Mary to not want to work for the	scenario?		
	Department			
	c) Retaliation because Mary told a sergeant			
	about the behavior			
2)	Expected responses: Justify your response			
	based on the resources.			
	a) Yes	Ask: Does it rise to the level of		
	b) This is continuous, pervasive and offensive	unlawful sexual harassment?		
	to the reasonable person and has no place	Why or why not?		
	in the workplace.			
	c) His behavior would make the reasonable			
	person uncomfortable to come to work and			
	do their job-meeting the standard for			
	hostile work environment.			
	d) Retaliation defined			
	(1) An adverse employment action taken			
	against an employee for engaging in a			
	protected activity			
	(2) Protected activities include (but are not			
	limited to) personnel complaints, filing			
	a work-related lawsuit, filing claims for			
	damages, filing grievances, reporting			
	unlawful discrimination, reporting			
	sexual harassment, reporting an			
	intimidating or hostile environment,			
	requesting mediation, and reporting			
	employee misconduct to other city or			
21	government agencies			
3)	Expected responses:			
	a) Tell him to stop, if comfortable after first			

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	comment	Ask: How would you handle this
b)	Advise a supervisor of the initial comment	incident? Why?
	and of the retaliation	
c)	An employee can contact any of the	
	following entities for assistance and or	
	make a complaint	
	(1) BSS (Behavioral Science Services)	
	(2) Department supervisor	
	(3) Any command or staff officer	
	(4) WELD (Workplace Environmental	
	Liaison Division)	
	(5) Board of police commissioners	
	(6) Officer of the mayor	
	(7) State of California Department of Fair	
	Employment and Housing	
	(8) Federal Equal Employment	
	Opportunities Commission	
	(9) Refer to Preventing Sexual Harassment	
	in the workplace employee resource	
	book and Workplace Discrimination	
١٩	Guide for additional resources	
d)		
	that it is not her fault	
e)	Ensure that all employees have received a	
	copy of the Anti-Discrimination and	
	Retaliation Training Bulletin and are	
_	following the guidelines	
f)	Prevention through policy, training,	
	supervision and discipline are ways to	
	manage unlawful discrimination,	
	harassment and retaliation <sup>1</sup> (2019 LAPD	
	Manual 1/272 Retaliation Policy <sup>1</sup> )	
g)	Accurate identification of circumstances	
	leading to potential incidents of unlawful	
	discrimination, harassment or retaliation	
h)	All levels of management and supervision	
	have the legal responsibility to follow	
	Department's reporting procedures	
	(1) Stop the behavior, conduct an initial	
	investigation of the situation, seek	
	advice, reassure concerned individual	
	that the behavior will cease and if it	
	does not, seek assistance immediately,	
	and	
	(2) Monitor the situation to make sure no	
	reprisal, overtly or covertly, are taken	
	against the person who complained	
	againet the person who complained	<u> </u>

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i) Department Managers and Supervisors	
performance in preventing retaliation will	
be reflected in their Standard Based	
Assessment reports	
7. <u>Case Study 6</u>	
a. Tony is a Recruit Officer in a class that is very tight.	
Every Friday some of the recruits get together at	
one of their homes after end of watch for a study	
group. Tony usually doesn't go but decides to go on	
a particular Friday. After a couple of hours the	
recruits are finished studying and break out the	
beer. Tony tells a joke that is sexual in nature.	
Everyone laughs.	
1) Expected responses:	
a) Friend party vs. extension of the work place	
b) Audience, location, relationship	Ask: What is going on in this
2) Expected responses: Justify your response	scenario?
based on the resources.	
a) Could depending on reaction of classmates	Ask: Does it rise to the level of
<ul> <li>just because they "laughed" you don't</li> </ul>	unlawful sexual harassment?
know how they really feel	Why or why not?
<ul><li>b) Because they are all department</li></ul>	
employees, this could be considered an	
extension of the workplace. If the joke was	
at the expense of an individual, and	
continued into the workplace, this could	
lead to a hostile work environment. The	
recruits need to consider LAR (Location,	
Audience, relationship)	
<ol><li>Expected responses:</li></ol>	Ask: How would you handle this
a) Tell him to knock it off – Core Values, not	incident? Why?
right thing to do, teamwork	
<ol><li>Expected responses:</li></ol>	
a) What if it is all guys?	Ask: How does the gender of the
b) What if the joke is about another recruit in	involved parties alter how you
the class?	view this incident?
c) What if it continues at work the next day?	
8. <u>Case Study 7</u> [42.7C1-4]	Ask: What if it is all guys?
a. An instructor asked a recruit out for dinner. The	
recruit politely declined, saying that they were	Ask: What if the joke is about
exhausted after having so much remediation. The	another recruit in the class?
instructor guaranteed passing the next test could be	
arranged if the recruit would go out to dinner with	Ask: What if it continues at work
instructor and spend some one on one time.	the next day?
1) Expected responses:	
a) Someone with supervisor position is	
offering preferential treatment in exchange	

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	for implied intimate time	Ask: What is going on in this
	b) Implied that they would somehow fix the	scenario?
	test (cheating)	
2)	Expected responses: Justify your response	
	based on the resources.	
	a) Yes	
	b) Quid pro quo	Ask: Does it rise to the level of
3)	Expected responses:	unlawful sexual harassment?
,	a) Report	Why or why not?
	b) Follow the complaint process set out in the	
	Preventing sexual harassment resource	Ask: How would you handle this
	guide and Workplace Discrimination Guide	incident? Why?
4)	Expected responses:	
.,	a) What if it is the same gender making the	
	request?	Ask: How does the gender of
	b) What if the recruit wants to date the	the involved parties alter how
	instructor <sup>2</sup> ? (2019 LAPD Manual 1/271	you view this incident?
	Relationships between department	you view this meldent.
	employees <sup>2</sup> )	Ask: What if it is the same
	c) Public trust requires that employees avoid	gender making the request?
	even the appearance of conflict between	genuer making the request:
	their professional responsibilities and their	Ask: What if the recruit wants to
	personal relationship with other employees	date the instructor <sup>2</sup> ? (2019 LAPD
	d) All employees should avoid situations which	Manual 1/271 Relationships
	give rise to an actual or apparent conflict	between department
		employees <sup>2</sup> )
	between personal and professional	employees )
	TUDY 8 [42.7C1-4]	
	ee months out of the Academy, you are getting	
	uipment from the "kit room" for your patrol car,	
	rking in West L.A. Area. You see your FTO	
	owing a photo to a group of officers and they are	
	laughing. As you prepare your car, your FTO	
	nes over and shows you the photo. Your FTO is	
	ghing, telling you how funny the photo is. The	
	oto depicts another officer's personal car in the	
	est L.A. parking lot for officer's personal cars. The	
	icer's car has "Faggot" written on its hood with	
	ne scene chalk. There is no apparent damage to	
	car.	
1)	Expected responses:	
	a) Discriminatory action against owner of	
	personal vehicle	Ask: What is going on in this
	b) Hate Incident	scenario?
	c) Creation of hostile work environment	
	(1) Both involved owner of vehicle	
	(2) Other employees who see/hear about	
	incident	

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	d)	Subordinate employee must report	
		misconduct of FTO (Senior Employee)	
	e)	Employee faces possible Retaliation from	
		other officers	
2)	Exp	pected responses: Justify your response	
	bas	sed on the resources.	
	a)	Yes	
	b)	Hostile Work Environment	Ask: Does it rise to the level of
		(1) The overt nature of the act would make	unlawful sexual harassment?
		any employee not feel welcome at work	Why or why not?
		and therefore create a hostile	
		environment	
	c)	Recruit and probationary officers must be	
		guided by Special Order No. 6 (now 2019	
		Manual Section 1/285) which states that	
		"discrimination in the workplace on the	
		basis of an individual's sexual orientation is	
		unacceptable and will not be tolerated."	
		This policy prohibits "derogatory terms	
		comments ridiculeor jokes with	
		respect to an individual's known or	
		presumed sexual orientation."	
	d)	Mayor's Executive Directive No. 11	
		(Garcetti series), August 26, 2015, "Gender	
		Equity in City Operations" "established and	
		defined the City's intent to promote and	
		maintain a working environment free from	
		discrimination on the basis of sexual	
		orientation." Executive Directive No. 23,	
		April 30, 2018, "Harassment and	
		Discrimination.	
3)		pected responses:	
	a)	Report	
		(1) Because the actions of the FTO are a	
		direct violation of City and Department	Ask: How would you handle this
		policy, and display a discriminatory	incident? Why?
		attitude, the probationary officer is	
		obligated to report the matter	Ask: Why is it important that
		(2) Why is it important that you report the	you report the misconduct?
		misconduct?	Ask: Who would you report to?
	_	(3) Who would you report it to?	
4)		pected responses:	
	a)	Due to the nature of the Probationary	
		Officer's status, he or she may fear	
		retaliation for their actions. Instructors	Ask: Would you have any fear of
		should instruct recruit officers that they	retaliation by other officers?
		should not fear reporting misconduct out of	

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				fear of retaliation, as the retaliation is	
				forbidden, as detailed in LAPD Training	
				Bulletin Vo. XLII, Issue 2, May 2012 "Anti-	
				Discrimination And Retaliation," which	
				states that, "Protected activities include	
				opposing, reporting, or participating in any	
				claim, lawsuit, or investigation concerning	
				unlawful discrimination or sexual	
				harassment." It is also forbidden under	
				state and federal law. The Bulletin states	
				that "Protected activities include opposing,	
				reporting, or participating in any claim,	
				lawsuit, or investigation concerning	
				unlawful discrimination or sexual	
				harassment."	
		5)	Exp	pected responses:	Ask: How does the gender of the
			a)	1,	involved parties alter how you
				incident.	view this incident?
			b)	Remember it is irrelevant if targeted	
				employee is in fact gay or not. In either	Ask: What if you knew that the
-	~			case it is still sexual harassment.	owner of the vehicle was in fact
В.		sing		hat a har a har a transmission of a tar to the tart	a gay officer at your division?
	1.			hat you have been given a value infused	
	problem-solving model (CAPRA) to help with resolution Ask: Would that change yo				
	h	of challenging issues response?			response?
	Ζ.			recruits to keep their Preventing Sexual	Ask: How does the rank
	Harassment Handout as they will need it for future classes, possible incidents arising in their careers and				(Probationary Officer to a FTO)
			-	al interviews.	of the involved parties alter how
	3.	•		should bring their Workplace Discrimination	you view this incident?
reference guide every day. A flash-drive will be issued					you view this meldent:
to each recruit which contains those documents					Ask: What if the person
	4.	Key Po			providing the picture was your
		•		g Self-Assessment tools can assist in avoiding	classmate?
				ial issues	
		•		w would a behavior in which you are	
		,		olved be viewed by your boss, spouse or	
				nificant other, or your kids. (3 Prong Test)	
		2)	Lo	cation, Audience, Relationship.	
		b. Do	es y	our behavior have a core value as its	
		fou	inda	ition?	
		1)	CO	RE VALUES	
			a)	SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITIES	
				(1) We are dedicated to enhancing public	
				safety and reducing the fear and the	Ask: Does your behavior have a
				incidence of crime. People in our	core value as its foundation?
				communities are our most important	

customers. Our motto, "to protect and
to serve," is not just a slogan. It is our
way of life. We will work in partnership
with the people in our communities and
do our best, within the law, to solve
community problems that affect public
safety. We value the great diversity of
people in both our residential and
business communities and serve all
with equal dedication.

# b) REVERENCE FOR THE LAW

(1) We have been given the honor and privilege of enforcing the law. We must always exercise integrity in the use of the power and authority that have been given to us by the people. Our personal and professional behavior should be a model for all to follow. We will obey and support the letter and the spirit of the law.

# c) COMMITMENT TO LEADERSHIP

(1) We believe the Los Angeles Police Department should be a leader in law enforcement. We also believe that each individual needs to be a leader in his or her area of responsibility. Making sure that our values become part of our dayto-day work life is our mandate. We must each work to ensure that our coworkers, our professional colleagues and our communities have the highest respect for the Los Angeles Police Department.

# d) INTEGRITY IN ALL WE SAY AND DO

(1) Integrity is our standard. We are proud of our profession and will conduct ourselves in a manner that merits the respect of all people. We will demonstrate honest, ethical behavior in all our interactions. Our actions will match our words. We must have the courage to stand up for our beliefs and do what is right. Throughout the ranks, the Los Angeles Police Department has a long history of integrity and freedom from corruption. Upholding this proud tradition is a challenge we must all

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continue to meet.

e) **RESPECT FOR PEOPLE** (1) Working with the Los Angeles Police Department should be challenging and rewarding. Our people are our most important resource. We can best serve the many and varied needs of our communities by empowering our employees to fulfill their responsibilities with knowledge, authority and appropriate discretion. We encourage our people to submit ideas, we listen to their suggestions and we help them develop to their maximum potential. We believe in treating all people with respect and dignity: we show concern and empathy for the victims of crime and treat violators of the law with fairness and dignity. By demonstrating respect for others, we will earn respect for the Los Angeles Police Department. QUALITY THROUGH CONTINUOUS f) **IMPROVEMENT** (1) We will strive to achieve the highest level of quality in all aspects of our work. We can never be satisfied with the "status quo." We must aim for continuous improvement in serving the people in our communities. We value innovation and support creativity. We realize that constant change is a way of life in a dynamic city like Los Angeles, and we dedicate ourselves to proactively seek new and better ways to serve. c. Consistent, fair and respectful treatment of the public starts with demanding that same behavior in the workplace, regardless of rank.

**Purpose:** To provide the student with an understanding of what constitutes sexual harassment, how to respond to sexual harassment in the workplace and the legal remedies available through the sexual harassment complaint process.

### Description:

- 1. Write the word "POWER" on the board.
- 2. Elicit meanings for the word "POWER"
- 3. Write the responses of the class on the board. Expected Responses:
  - a. Control
  - b. Authority
  - c. Decision making
- 4. **ASK** the following questions and examine their responses:
  - a. Who has power? Expected responses:
    - 1) Bosses
      - 2) Parents
      - 3) Teachers
      - 4) DI's
      - 5) Sergeants
  - b. Why do people have trouble giving up power? Expected responses:
    - 1) Change is difficult
    - 2) People fear losing control of their own destiny
  - c. What are some of the reasons for wanting power?
    - 1) Example of teenager, begin taking control of life but parent struggles against giving power because security, status quo, fear of unknown, fear for teenager,
    - 2) Power is not easily given up for a variety of reasons, not only because parent thinks child is unable or inferior etc.
  - d. What are some of the tensions that can be involved in power sharing?
    - 1) Redefining roles
    - 2) Defining expectations
  - e. What are some of the ways that we as police officers can use our positions to control another employee?
    - 1) Threaten not to back them up on their calls
    - 2) Threaten to spread rumors

# **Resources needed:**

- Classroom with tables
- Whiteboard with Dry Erase Markers
- Laptop with PowerPoint
- PowerPoint Presentation

#### Handouts: None

Time required: 15 Minutes

**Purpose:** To provide students an opportunity to discuss sexual harassment definitions in learning teams to ensure understanding prior to application

# Description:

- 1. In learning teams **assign** each group one/two of the below definitions
  - a. Sexual Harassment defined [42.5.A]
  - b. Four types of behavior that constitute sexual harassment, SH Handbook
  - c. Quid pro quo [42.5.B.3]
  - d. Hostile work environment [42.5.B.4]
  - e. Title VII [42.5.B.1]
  - f. Protection from Retaliation, LD 42 Chapter 5
  - g. Government Code 12940 [42.5.B.2]
- 2. At the table read the definition and break it down into plain English
- 3. Then **discuss** and critically think about the following:
  - a. What is it speaking to
  - b. How does it apply to you
  - c. What does it mean to me
- 4. Select a scribe and presenter
- 5. Anyone on the team may be called upon to expand on the definition that your presenter gave
- 6. Give the teams approximately 5-10 minutes to develop their definition and discuss its meaning
- 7. **Point out** LD 42 Chapter 5, the Preventing Sexual Harassment Workbook and the Workplace Discrimination reference guide may be used as reference.
- 8. Have each group **present** the summary and understanding of the assigned topics
- 9. Challenge: **Ask** a question that challenges the definition and understanding that each group developed
- 10. Clarify any misunderstandings
- 11. Definitions **[42.5.A,B,C,D]** 
  - a. Sexual harassment can be defined as unwelcome and unwanted sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature when:
    - 1) Submission to such conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment
    - 2) Submission to or rejection of such conduct by an individual is used a s basis for employment decisions affecting that individual
    - Such conduct has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile, offensive working environment. [PWB 5-3]
  - b. Sexual Harassment refers to sexually oriented behavior that: [WB pg 5-3]
    - 1) Is unwelcome
    - 2) Is personally offensive, and
    - 3) Creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive work environment.

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- 4) Can sexual harassment occur between individuals of the same gender? Yes
- c. Describe 4 behaviors that constitute sexual harassment [42.5.D.1-8] (PWB 5-10 5-11)
  - 1) Physical [42.5.D.2] touching, force, threats
  - 2) Verbal [42.5.D.1] statement, jokes, whistles, requesting sexual favors, threats [42.5.D.5-6]
  - 3) Written [42.5.D.4] -letters, graphics, e-mail
  - 4) Visual [42.5.D.3] -posters, staring
- 12. Discuss the federal and state laws dealing with sexual harassment to include: [42.5.B.1-5]
  - a. Title VII, (WB pg 5-5)

# [42.5.B.1]

- 1) Part of the 1964 Civil Rights Act
- 2) Filed with the EEOC
- b. Government Code 12940. [42.5.B.2] (WB pg 5-4)
  - 1) Includes sexual harassment as an unlawful employment practice
  - 2) Stated employer must take responsibilities in taking corrective action
- c. Concept of Quid Pro Quo **[42.5.B.3]** (WB pg 5-6): A form of sexual harassment in which submission to or rejection of sexual advances is made a condition of employment or employment decision.
- d. Concept of Hostile work environment [42.5.B.4, 42.5.D.7] (WB pg 5-6)
  - 1) Sexually harassing conduct
  - 2) Within the complainant's immediate work environment
  - 3) Which is so pervasive as to interfere with an individual's job performance
  - 4) Which conduct may or may not be directed at the complainant
- e. Current Case Law

# [42.5.B.5]

- 1) Refer to current case law to define "Work Environment"
- 2) Refer to current case law when discussing concepts of Quid Pro Quo
- 13. **State** the protection that exists to prevent retaliation against anyone submitting a sexual harassment complete **[42.5.F]** 
  - a. Protection from Retaliation **[42.5.F]** (WB pg 5-15): Requires employers to prevent and/or stop retaliation against complainant (PWB 5-18)
  - b. Government Code 12950 protects complainants and witnesses.
  - c. LAPD Policy 1/272 Protection from Retaliation (In Workplace Discrimination Guide)
- 14. Explain the legal remedies available to a victim of sexual harassment [42.5.C] (PWB 5-5)
  - a. Sexual harassment is a violation of the California Fair Employment and Housing Act.
  - b. Victims can obtain right to sue letter from the EEOC or EEOC can negotiate remedies or make an award to the complaining party
  - c. Officers found guilty of sexual harassment can be subject to civil suits, fines, termination, reprimand and or other punitive damages.
- 15. Explain the mandated sexual harassment complaint process guidelines [42.5.E] (PWB 5-13)
  - a. Penal Code Section 13519.7
    - 1) Mandates development of complaint guidelines for peace officers who are victims of sexual harassment in the workplace.

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- 2) The guidelines apply to peace officers who are employees of:
  - 1. City police department
  - 2. County sheriff's departments
  - 3. Districts
  - 4. State university police departments
- 16. Describe methods for responding to sexually offensive or unwanted behavior [42.5.G] (PWB 5-
  - 15)
- a. When appropriate, recipients of perceived sexual harassment may inform the harasser that the conduct in unwelcomed, offensive and should cease, but are not legally required to do so.
- b. Where the complainant is uncomfortable with a personal confrontation, he/she should contact any supervisor, manager, department head, or their equivalent
- c. Where the complainant perceives that the department's internal environment is no conducive to making an internal complaint, he/she has the option of reporting the harassment to an entity external to the department
- d. Officers are not required to follow the chain of command in reporting sexual harassment in the workplace.
- **Resources needed:** Classroom with tables, Laptop with PowerPoint, Projector with Speakers or audio visual player
- Handouts: LD#42 Workbook, Training Bulletin, Vol XLII, Issue 2 "Anti-Discrimination and Retaliation"; Mayor's Executive Directives, No. 11 "Gender Equity in City Operations" and No. 23 "Harassment and Discrimination". "Discrimination Free Workplace Policy", "Discrimination Complaint Procedure".

Time required: 45 Minutes

### Learning Activity #3 - "P.O.S.T. - City of Los Angeles Sexual Harassment Video"

- A Learning Activity: "City of Los Angeles Sexual Harassment Video"
  - 1. Show video (20 minutes)
  - 2. Debrief video
    - a. Advise students that each individual may respond uniquely to sexual harassment. What one individual thinks is humorous, for example, could be offensive to another and therefore considered sexual harassment. Understanding the definition helps them decide what may be discrimination, or misunderstandings, or someone testing their tolerance (Consent Decree & 117 (a))
    - b. **Emphasize** the importance of talking to the person and requesting the behavior to stop. Advise the student that this is an option that can be very successful in stopping the behavior. However, speaking to the offender is not mandatory. A victim of sexual harassment may skip the chain of command or go outside the Department to make a complaint of sexual harassment. **(Consent Decree & 117 (a)) (Core Value)**
    - c. **Direct** students to the Workplace Discrimination reference guide for resource material.
    - d. Emphasize that sexual harassment is ethically wrong, counter-productive and illegal. (Core Value)
- B. FACILITATED DISCUSSION
  - 1. Understanding the Sexual Harassment definition and laws will assist in determining if the behavior rises to the level of discrimination, misconduct or misunderstanding.
  - 2. Write on dry erase board "3 Prong Test".
    - a. 3-Prong Test: If what you are about to say or do, was videotaped and shown to
      - 1) your boss (Chief Moore)
      - 2) your spouse or significant other
      - 3) or your child,
    - b. Would you have to explain yourself?
  - 3. Unprofessional Behavior Flow Chart (Write flow chart on white board)
    - a. The first level of the flow chart is "Unprofessional Behavior"
      - 1) This is where we can all have an impact on issues of discrimination in the workplace.
      - 2) We as peers can intervene when we see someone acting in an unprofessional manner. Peer intervention is the most effective tool officers can use to modify behavior prior to the behavior becoming misconduct/discrimination.
    - b. Expected responses:
      - 1) Set standards
      - 2) Role Model professional behavior
    - c. The second level of the flow chart is "Misconduct"
      - 1) Misconduct defined
        - a) Commission of a criminal offense
        - b) Neglect of duty
        - c) Violation of Department policies, rules or procedures
        - d) Conduct unbecoming
      - 2) Must immediately be reported to a supervisor
    - d. The third level of the flow chart is "Unlawful Discrimination"
      - 1) Sexual Harassment is just one type of discrimination
        - 2) Criminal in Nature

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- 3) Also Misconduct but more serious
- 5. Location, Audience, Relationship (Write on Board)
  - a. Officers and supervisors should consider location, audience and relationship to determine whether their behavior is appropriate in the work place.
    - 1) Location:
      - a) Are you in a setting where someone may overhear all or part of your conversation?
      - b) Could your behavior be misinterpreted?
      - c) Where are you now? (Academy, work?)
      - d) Just because you can't be seen doesn't mean you can't be heard (locker room and cubicles)
    - 2) Audience:
      - a) Are you aware of your audience makeup? (public, civilians, sworn)
      - b) Is your behavior suitable for the group you're in?
      - c) Are you interacting with peers, supervisors or subordinates?
      - d) Do you interact with everyone in the same way?
        - (1) Remember how we discussed different ways of talking to child or child's teacher self is differentiated but integrated (Session 2)
    - 3) Relationship:
      - a) How well do you know the people you're interacting with?
      - b) Make sure all parties understand the relationship. Are you co workers, acquaintances or friends?

Not all people define these terms in the same way.

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**Purpose:** To provide students an opportunity to participate in a sexual harassment related facilitated discussion which addresses any behaviors which are illegal, as defined by federal or state harassment laws; professional, personal, and organizational impacts of the incident; legal and administrative consequences of the behaviors observed whether or not state sexual harassment reporting guidelines apply to the situation.

### **Description:**

- 1. In learning teams provide Sexual Harassment Case Studies worksheet and **assign** teams to answer different case studies. Several teams maybe assigned the same case study to analyze.
- 2. **Explain** to the class that they should have a reporter and a recorder and that they can write directly on the paper. Remind them that the report should be someone who has not yet presented during this week. Reinforce the importance of making the presentations. Point out how it enhances command presence and develops their ability to summarize and clearly articulate an event that they participated in.
- 3. **Advise** them that the LD 42 Workbook, Sexual Harassment in the Workplace Handout, and the Department Discrimination Reference Guide provided are resources to be used when critically thinking about the questions and how to respond. Remind them that their answers should be grounded in the Core Values and the Law Enforcement Code of Ethics.
- 4. Advise the recruits to read the case study and answer the following questions:
  - a. What is going on in this scenario?
  - b. Does it rise to the level of sexual harassment? Why or why not? Justify your response based on the resources.
  - c. How would you handle this incident? Why?
  - d. How does the gender of the involved parties alter how you view this incident?
- 5. **Circulate** around the room **but do not answer any questions** the students may have. Remind them that it is their problem and they have all the resources they need to work through the problem. As the facilitator your goal is to point them in the right direction and provide the resources necessary to develop their problem solving skills
- 6. **Debrief**:
  - a. Have each group present their findings
  - b. Ask challenging questions to check understand
  - c. Any additional information from below that will ensure the recruits have a clear and workable understanding of the policy and consequences if violated

# Case Study 1

Three male recruits are standing by the vending machines at the ARTC. As a female recruit (classmate) approaches the vending machines one of the male recruits states, in a voice loud enough for the two male recruits and the female recruit to hear, "Gentlemen, start your boners."

1. **Ask:** What is going on in this scenario? Answer: Inappropriate comments in the workplace.

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- 2. **Ask:** Does it rise to the level of sexual harassment? Why or why not? Justify your response based on the resources.
  - Probably not. This one comment is not unlawful sexual harassment by itself. However, if it becomes repeated, continuous or pervasive it becomes sexual harassment.
     Regardless, it is inappropriate for the workplace and probably would be considered Misconduct by most Commanding Officers
  - b. Objectively this is vulgar language and is offensive to the reasonable person. However, one isolated comment would not prevent a reasonable person from coming to work and doing their job.
- 3. Ask: How would you handle this incident? Why?
  - a. Tell him to stop
  - b. Discuss the impact of the incident with the recruit officer who made the statement and those who laughed if she feels comfortable to do so
  - c. Advise class leader so a statement of can be made to the entire class about appropriate and inappropriate language in the workplace
  - d. Report to your class supervisor

# Case Study 2

A recruit class is working out on the pull-up bars. A female recruit did more pull-ups than the two male recruits before her. One of the two male recruits said to the other loudly enough for the female recruit to hear, "She must be a lesbian."

- 1. Ask: What is going on in this scenario?
  - a. Inappropriate comments
  - b. Insecurity about their physical ability and that a woman may be stronger or as strong
- 2. **Ask:** Does it rise to the level of unlawful sexual harassment? Why or why not? Justify your response based on the resources.
  - a. No.
  - b. This one comment is not sexual harassment by itself. However, if it becomes repeated, continuous or pervasive it becomes a hostile work environment, sexual harassment.
  - c. Comments about a person's sexual orientation have no place in the workplace and are offensive to the reasonable person. If the behavior is repeated or flagrant enough, it could cause a reasonable person to feel uncomfortable to come to work and do their job. In any case, the behavior is inappropriate for the workplace and probably would be considered Misconduct by most Commanding Officers
- 3. Ask: How would you handle this incident? Why?
  - a. Tell him to stop
  - b. Discuss the impact of the incident with the recruit officer who made the statement if she feels comfortable to do so
- 4. Ask: How does the gender of the involved parties alter how you view this incident?

# Case Study 3

On a Monday morning before start of watch, a group of three male recruits are dressing in the locker room. One of the recruits is talking about a woman he dated that weekend. He begins to go into detail about his sexual activities on the date.

- 1. Ask: What is going on in this scenario?
  - a. Sharing of private information
  - b. Follow up questions to **ask**? Who is present, who might overhear, is the location appropriate for this type of conversation?
- 2. **Ask:** Does it rise to the level of sexual harassment? Why or why not? Justify your response based on the resources
  - a. Discussing sexual exploits is a form of verbal sexual harassment.
  - b. If someone heard the comment and was offended, this could be considered sexual harassment. An isolated incident rarely rises to the level of unlawful sexual harassment.
- 3. Ask: How would you handle this incident? Why?
  - a. Tell him to stop
  - b. Discuss the impact of the incident with the recruit officer who made the statement and what the consequences of talking about private matters in a public place that could be overheard
  - c. Advise the class leader, DI, sergeant
- 4. Ask: Does the gender of the involved parties alter how you view this incident?
  - a. Locker room talk
  - b. How might this be offensive? co-workers involved

#### Case Study 4

Sally and Jim are in the same Academy class. Jim has been avoiding Sally because she flirts openly with him and asked him out the week before. Jim told Sally he has a girlfriend and doesn't want to date Sally. During a break, Sally again asked Jim out and said she won't take no for an answer.

- 1. Ask: What is going on in this scenario?
  - a. Possible Sexual Harassment
  - b. Inappropriate behavior/Misconduct
  - c. Stalking?
  - d. Pestering, repetitive annoying
- 2. **Ask:** Does it rise to the level of sexual harassment? Why or why not? Justify your response based on the resources.
  - a. Could be depending on how Jim felt about Sally asking him out again
  - b. Especially if this behavior continues
  - c. If the male recruit has repeatedly told his Sally "No", it begins to move into the area of sexual harassment (repeated, continuous, pervasive.)
  - d. Because this is not a supervisor /subordinates it is not quid pro quo. However, this may have become a hostile work environment for Jim, to the point where he no longer wants to take breaks for fear of running into the female recruit.
- 3. Ask: How would you handle this incident? Why?

- a. In the beginning when it first starts tell her to stop
- b. Notify a supervisor
- c. This behavior must stop
- d. Sally must be told to stop the behavior
- e. Jim now needs someone to intervene, it is beginning to impact Jim's work environment
- f. Class leader, DI and supervisor should all be involved in developing a short and long term plan to stop the behavior and ensure it does not continue
- g. Disciplinary action may be taken
- h. This will protect Jim and Sally
- 4. How does the gender of the involved parties alter how you view this incident?
  - a. The gender makes no difference
  - b. Same gender relationships apply too

# Case Study 5

Julie is a Recruit Officer about halfway through her Academy training. Her friend Mary had graduated and is on probation at Wilshire Division. One day Mary calls Julie to tell her that she is thinking of quitting her job. When Julie asks why, Mary tells her that her Training Officer constantly makes comments such as "women don't belong on the job and should be home making babies".

Mary reports her Training Officer's behavior to her den sergeant who advises the Watch Commander. The Watch Commander counsels the Training Officer for his inappropriate comments. The following week Mary received an unsatisfactory rating from her Training Officer. Mary had always received excellent ratings prior to this incident.

- 1. What is going on in this scenario?
  - a. Gender bias statements
  - b. Causing a Mary to not want to work for the Department
  - c. Retaliation because Mary told a sergeant about the behavior
- 2. Does it rise to the level of sexual harassment? Why or why not? Justify your response based on the resources.
  - a. Yes
  - b. This is continuous, pervasive and offensive to the reasonable person and has no place in the workplace.
  - c. His behavior would make the reasonable person uncomfortable to come to work and do their job-meeting the standard for hostile work environment.
- 3. Retaliation defined
  - a. An adverse employment action taken against an employee for engaging in a protected activity
  - b. Protected activities include (but are not limited to) personnel complaints, filing a work related lawsuit, filing claims for damages, filing grievances, reporting unlawful discrimination, reporting sexual harassment, reporting an intimidating or hostile environment, requesting mediation, and reporting employee misconduct to other city or government agencies
- 4. How would you handle this incident? Why?

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- a. Tell him to stop, if comfortable after first comment
- b. Advise a supervisor of the initial comment and of the retaliation
- c. An employee can contact any of the following entities for assistance and or make a complaint
  - i. BSS
  - ii. Department supervisor
  - iii. Any command or staff officer
  - iv. WELD (Workplace Environmental Liaison Division)
  - v. Board of police commissioners
  - vi. Officer of the mayor
  - vii. State of California Department of Fair Employment and Housing
  - viii. Federal Equal Employment Opportunities commission
  - ix. Refer to Preventing Sexual Harassment in the workplace employee resource book and Workplace Discrimination Guide for additional resources
- d. As a friend reassure her and remind her that it is not her fault
- e. Ensure that all employees have received a copy of the Anti-Discrimination and Retaliation Training Bulletin and are following the guidelines
- f. Prevention through policy , training, supervision and discipline are ways to manage unlawful discrimination, harassment and retaliation (2009 LAPD Manual 1/272 Retaliation Policy)
- g. Accurate identification of circumstances leading to potential incidents of unlawful discrimination, harassment or retaliation
- h. All levels of management and supervision have the legal responsibility to follow Department's reporting procedures
  - i. stop the behavior, conduct an initial investigation of the situation, seek advice, reassure concerned individual that the behavior will cease and if it does not, seek assistance immediately, and
  - ii. monitor the situation to make sure no reprisal, overtly or covertly, are taken against the person who complained
- i. Department Managers and supervisors' performance in preventing retaliation will be reflected in their Standard Based Assessment reports

# Case Study 6

Tony is a Recruit Officer in a class that is very tight. Every Friday some of the recruits get together at one of their homes after end of watch for a study group. Tony usually doesn't go but decides to go on a particular Friday. After a couple of hours the recruits are finished studying and break out the beer. Tony tells a joke that is sexual in nature. Everyone laughs.

- 1. Ask: What is going on in this scenario?
  - a. Friend party vs. extension of the work place
  - b. Audience, location, relationship

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- 2. **Ask:** Does it rise to the level of sexual harassment? Why or why not? Justify your response based on the resources.
  - a. Could depending on reaction of classmates just because they "laughed" you don't know how they really feel
  - b. Because they are all department employees, this could be considered an extension of the workplace. If the joke was at the expense of an individual, and continued into the workplace, this could lead to a hostile work environment. The recruits need to consider LAR.
- 3. Ask: How would you handle this incident? Why?
  - a. Tell him to knock it off Core Values, not right thing to do, teamwork
- 4. Ask: How does the gender of the involved parties alter how you view this incident?
  - a. What if it is all guys?
  - b. What if the joke is about another recruit in the class?
  - c. What if it continues at work the next day?

# Case Study 7

An instructor asked a recruit out for dinner. The recruit politely declined, saying that they were exhausted after having so much remediation. The instructor guaranteed passing the next test could be arranged if the recruit would go out to dinner with instructor and spend some one on one time.

- 1. Ask: What is going on in this scenario?
  - a. Someone with supervisor position is offering preferential treatment in exchange for implied intimate time
  - b. Implied that they would somehow fix the test (cheating)
- 2. **Ask:** Does it rise to the level of sexual harassment? Why or why not? Justify your response based on the resources.
  - a. Yes
  - b. Quid pro quo
- 3. Ask: How would you handle this incident? Why?
  - a. Report
  - b. Follow the complaint process set out in the Preventing sexual harassment resource guide and Workplace Discrimination Guide
- 4. Ask: How does the gender of the involved parties alter how you view this incident?
  - a. What if it is the same gender making the request?
  - b. What if the recruit wants to date the instructor? (2019 LAPD Manual 1/271 Relationships between department employees)
    - i. Public trust requires that employees avoid even the appearance of conflict between their professional responsibilities and their personal relationship with other employees
    - ii. All employees should avoid situations which give rise to an actual or apparent conflict between personal and professional

# Case Study 8

Three months out of the Academy, you are getting equipment from the "kit room" for your patrol car, working in West L.A. Area. You see your FTO showing a photo to a group of officers and they are all laughing. As you prepare your car, your FTO comes over and shows you the photo. Your FTO is laughing, telling you how funny the photo is. The photo depicts another officer's personal car in the West L.A. parking lot for officer's personal cars. The officer's car has "Faggot" written on its hood with crime scene chalk. There is no apparent damage to the car.

- 1. Ask: What is going on in this scenario?
  - a. Discriminatory action against owner of personal vehicle
  - b. Hate Incident
  - c. Creation of hostile work environment
    - i. Both involved owner of vehicle
    - ii. Other employees who see/hear about incident
  - d. Subordinate employee must report misconduct of FTO (Senior Employee)
  - e. Employee faces possible Retaliation from other officers
- 2. **Ask:** Does it rise to the level of sexual harassment? Why or why not? Justify your response based on the resources.
  - a. Yes
  - b. Hostile Work Environment
    - i. The overt nature of the act would make any employee not feel welcome at work and therefore create a hostile environment
  - c. Recruit and probationary officers must be guided by Special Order No. 6 (now Manual Section 1/285) which states that "discrimination in the workplace on the basis of an individual's sexual orientation is unacceptable and will not be tolerated." This policy prohibits "derogatory terms …comments … ridicule…or jokes with respect to an individual's known or presumed sexual orientation."
  - Mayor's Executive Directive No. 11 (Garcetti Series), August 26, 2015, "Gender Equity in City Operations" "established and defined the City's intent to promote and maintain a working environment free from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation." Executive Directive No. 23, April 30, 2018, "Harassment and Discrimination".
- 3. Ask: How would you handle this incident? Why?
  - a. Report
    - i. Because the actions of the FTO are a direct violation of City and Department policy, and display a discriminatory attitude, the probationary officer is obligated to report the matter
    - ii. Why is it important that you report the misconduct?
    - iii. Who would you report it to?
  - b. Ask: Would you have any fear of retaliation by other officers?
    - i. Due to the nature of the Probationary Officer's status, he or she may fear retaliation for their actions. Instructors should instruct recruit officers that they should not fear reporting misconduct out of fear of retaliation, as the retaliation is forbidden, as detailed in LAPD Training Bulletin Vo. XLII, Issue 2, May 2012,

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"Anti-Discrimination And Retaliation," which states that, "Protected activities include opposing, reporting, or participating in any claim, lawsuit, or investigation concerning unlawful discrimination or sexual harassment." It is also forbidden under state and federal law. The Bulletin states that "Protected activities include opposing, reporting, or participating in any claim, lawsuit, or investigation concerning unlawful discrimination or sexual harassment."

- 4. Ask: How does the gender of the involved parties alter how you view this incident?
  - a. Gender should not play role in this incident.
    - i. What if you knew that the owner of the vehicle was in fact a gay officer at your division? Would that change your response?
    - ii. Remember it is irrelevant if targeted employee is in fact gay or not. In either case it is still sexual harassment.
  - b. Ask: How does the rank (Probationary Officer to a FTO) of the involved parties alter how you view this incident?
  - c. What if it the person providing the picture was your classmate?

### **Resources needed:**

- Classroom with tables
- Whiteboard with Dry-erase markers

# Handouts:

- Case Studies
- Training Bulletin, Vol XLII, Issue 2 "Anti-Discrimination and Retaliation";
- Mayor's Executive Directives, No. 11, "Gender Equity in City Operations" and No. 23 "Harassment and Discrimination".
- "Discrimination Free Workplace Policy"
- "Discrimination Complaint Procedure"

Time required: 40 minutes