Victor Lauria

Victor is a dedicated individual who spent 27 years of his life serving with the Novi, Michigan Police Department. Throughout his career, he took on various roles, starting as a police officer and working his way up to becoming an assistant chief of police. He has served as a canine handler, detective, and undercover narcotics detective. The majority of his career was spent in investigations. One of his cases, the torture death of a 2-year-old girl, was features on National Geographic's Science of Interrogation.

Victor's passion for the field of law enforcement goes beyond his duty as a police officer. He is a lifelong learner who continuously seeks to enhance his knowledge and expertise in the profession. He earned his Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice from Northern Michigan University in 1987, a Master of Science in Technology Studies with an emphasis in Emergency Management at Eastern Michigan University in 2008. In 2012, he had the prestigious opportunity to attend the FBI National Academy Session 250, further expanding his knowledge and understanding of law enforcement practices on a national scale. In the same year, he earned a Graduate Certificate from the University of Virginia.

He is an instructor at both the basic and advanced police training schools at Oakland Community College. His areas of expertise include crime victims' rights, preliminary interviewing, and interrogation skills, providing valuable training to aspiring police officers.

For the past eight years, Victor has been an integral part of Madonna University's Criminal Justice Program. He has devoted his time and efforts to educate future professionals in this field. His dedication is reflected in his role as a course designer and developer for undergraduate and graduate-level courses. He has been, twice, honored with the title of Faculty Member of the Year. This accolade is bestowed upon him by the graduating class, recognizing his exceptional teaching abilities and mentorship.

In addition to his contributions to Madonna University, Victor is an instructor with Command Presence, where he teaches and shares his knowledge with fellow law enforcement professionals. Furthermore, his expertise has been acknowledged on a national level as he serves as a subject matter expert for the Center for Public Safety Management, a Washington D.C.-based consulting firm. Through this role, he contributes to shaping and improving various law enforcement practices and policies.

These educational accomplishments and training experiences have equipped Victor with a well-rounded skillset, combining theoretical knowledge with real-world practicality. He continually seeks opportunities to expand his horizons, master emerging technologies, and adapt to changing dynamics in the field of law enforcement.