

Steve Gregory is the first working journalist to become a California POST-certified instructor. He teaches media relations and crisis communications in both the public and private sectors. Steve is also an internationally certified instructor with IADLEST and ILEETA. For more than twenty years, Steve has been a national correspondent working in Los Angeles. He also hosts a popular weekly true crime podcast, *Unsolved with Steve Gregory* heard on all the popular platforms.

Steve is an adjunct instructor with the Los Angeles Police Department, the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, and the University of Southern California's Safe Communities Institute. In October of 2022, Steve became an instructor for the inaugural National Public Safety Innovation Academy in Winter Haven, FL. His 36-hour master class is among the most popular of the 8-week STEM-based executive leadership course. He co-developed a media relations model for the LAPD and a conflict resolution protocol in use between the LA Press Corps and law enforcement. Steve is also a board member of the Radio & Television News Association of Southern California where he chairs the media access committee.

In 2016, the California State Legislature presented Steve with a bi-partisan resolution honoring his contributions to journalism and community. Steve's presentations are candid, frank, and well received because of his unique perspective from the 'other side' of the yellow tape. In 2020, the California Commission on POST presented Steve its Individual Achievement Award for Excellence in Training. It's the first time a journalist has received the honor. Steve uses case studies and group activities to illustrate his point of view, most of which are based on stories he's covered.

Steve was on scene moments after a fatal mass shooting in San Bernardino, CA; was all over the hunt for a cop killer in Southern California; was in the courtroom during the OJ Simpson armed robbery trial, sentencing and parole hearing in Nevada; lived roadside for days in New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina; was in the middle of the riots in Ferguson, MO where he was attacked and dodged gunfire – while on the air; was in the middle of numerous Immigration Protests and Civil Unrest, and traveled to Tijuana to cover the trial of a jailed Marine in Mexico – he was also the first foreign radio journalist allowed to shadow the Tijuana PD's SWAT Team. In August of 2023 Steve was on the island of Maui covering that state's deadliest wildfire in decades. Steve has been around cops, deputies and first responders for most of his 40+ year career. Steve is also the first working journalist granted membership in the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) where he is also a member of the PIO and IMPACT sections.

Steve is in high demand and has presented at many training conferences throughout the United States including IACP, the National Sheriff's Association, the National Information Officer's Association; the Arizona PIO Association; the Utah PIO Association; California POST CopsWest; Utah Governor's Safety Summit; California Association of Public Information Officials; International Association of Business Communicators; Women Working in Corrections and Juvenile Justice; Association of Air Medical Services, and the Association of Paroling Authorities International. He's has worked closely with agencies like the Los Angeles Police Department; Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department; Los Angeles City/County Fire Departments; Arizona Department of Public Safety; City of San Francisco; Arizona State University. Some Steve's courses include, **CopSpeak: "Learn To Speak Like A Human"; How to Handle the Hit Piece: "Avoiding the Ambush Reporter"; Not IF But When: Strategies for Communicating the Unexpected, and The 'Perfect' Press Conference.**

Steve's authoring the book, **The 'Perfect' Press Conference** for Information Officers, Marketing, and PR professionals. Steve's goal is to strengthen the working relationship between the media and first responders by offering a perspective from a world rarely seen by outsiders.

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