



Illinois Public Safety Leadership Institute

FRONTLINE

November 2-November 6, 2026



MONDAY 11/2	TUESDAY 11/3	WEDNESDAY 11/4	THURSDAY 11/5	FRIDAY 11/6
🕒 8AM–12:00PM Introduction to the Program & Leadership Panel Overview of the Institute followed by an engaging panel discussion with experienced public safety leaders on leadership, communication and team building Lou Jogmen, M.A. Industrial/Organizational Psychology, Chief of Police IPSLI Facilitator and Instructor	🕒 8AM–12:00PM Peer Leadership: Conflict, Accountability & Difficult Conversations Lewis Bender, Ph.D. Professor Emeritus Southern Illinois University Edwardsville	🕒 8AM–12:00PM Leadership Without Rank <i>Informal influence in high-risk teams</i> Forest Reeder M.S. Public Safety Administration; Fire Chief (ret); Instructor Illinois Fire Service Institute, Illinois Fire Chiefs Educational & Research Foundation; Author	🕒 8AM–12:00PM The Human Side of Leadership: Understanding People, Performance, and Evaluations Joe Leonas, M.A. Law Enforcement and Justice Administration; Chief of Police, Adjunct Faculty for DePaul University and Northwestern University Center for Public Safety	🕒 8AM–12:00PM Front-Line Leadership Communication: Building Trust Within the Team and With the Public <i>Internal leadership communication, team trust, public messaging, and the supervisor's role in organizational credibility</i> Chris Covelli Chief of Law Enforcement; Instructor, Northwestern University Center for Public Safety and ILETSB Executive Institute
🕒 1:00PM–4:30PM Legal Update FOIA, social media, email precautions. Kelly Coyle Clark Baird Smith, LLP	🕒 1:00PM–4:30PM Peer Leadership: Conflict, Accountability & Difficult Conversations Lewis Bender, Ph.D. Professor Emeritus Southern Illinois University Edwardsville	🕒 1:00PM–4:30PM Leadership Without Rank <i>Informal influence in high-risk teams</i> Forest Reeder M.S. Public Safety Administration; Fire Chief (ret); Instructor Illinois Fire Service Institute, Illinois Fire Chiefs Educational & Research Foundation; Author	🕒 1:00PM–4:30PM The Human Side of Leadership: Understanding People, Performance, and Evaluations Joe Leonas, M.A. Law Enforcement and Justice Administration; Chief of Police, Adjunct Faculty for DePaul University and Northwestern University Center for Public Safety	🕒 1:00PM–4:30PM Leading with DISC & Insight to Impact <i>Leave IPSLI with a personalized action plan to strengthen your leadership impact</i> Lou Jogmen, M.A. Industrial/Organizational Psychology, Chief of Police IPSLI Facilitator and Instructor