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Susan Brundage is a Program Specialist in the Special Services-Education and Training Division of the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE). Susan has been employed in this capacity since 2003, where she reviews and develops training for peace officers, jailers, and telecommunicators. Through this process Susan strives to utilize best practices in maintaining high standards for courses in the classroom environment and through distance learning for the State of Texas. In addition she serves as the speaker coordinator for the Commission's Annual Training Coordinator Conference, as well as being the department's Accessibility Coordinator. Susan utilizes her project management skills to organize subject matter experts for curriculum review committees and to monitor IT related projects. Susan is also a member of the Texas Correctional Office on Offenders with Medical and Mental Impairments (TCOOMMI) Advisory Council. During her time with the Commission she has also obtained a Master's certification from the University of Wisconsin-Stout in Instructional Design, and a Master's of Liberal Studies from the University of Denver.

Prior to being employed by TCOLE, Susan worked as a Regional Substance Abuse Coordinator/Parole Officer for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice-Parole Division. She supervised a 26 county area to include parole, counseling, and administrative staff involved in the case management of substance abusing offenders in the in-prison, residential, and out-patient treatment programming. Susan also maintains a license as a Chemical Dependency Counselor in the state of Texas.

Before Susan's career path led her to the field of law enforcement and criminal justice, she taught in the private sector in a variety of capacities from juveniles to adults and from the Jr. College environment to the military installation. After graduating from the University of Wisconsin-Superior, she began her career in the elementary classroom teaching school readiness, art, and early childhood developmental skills. Susan continued to be involved in educational and training opportunities to include: Training counselor interns, in-service and new employee training, instructing college based courses in the areas of Sociology, Teacher Education, Art, and Creative Thinking, and programs in Adult Continuing Education, and Life Skills for persons with Learning Disabilities. Topics of personal interests include: Generational Learning Styles, Creative Thinking Integration, Criminal Thinking Errors, Mental Health, and Human Trafficking.