



# Tyler Council

## Director, Child Advocacy Studies

**Dr. Tyler Council** has accumulated over six years of experience in public and private laboratories. He has held roles such as Microbiologist, DNA Specialist, Quality Assurance/Quality Control Manager, and Forensic Scientist. His recent work involved being a Forensic Scientist with the Indiana State Police, Laboratory Division. Tyler's forensic expertise covers areas like drug analysis, questioned document analysis, firearms, fingerprinting, photography, trace evidence analysis, crime scene investigation, and child forensic interviewing. Beyond his lab work, Tyler has a strong background in post-secondary education.

He possesses over seven years of experience in higher education, including roles as an Associate Professor. He has spent a total of five years developing and leading programs in Child Advocacy Studies (CAST), Criminal Justice, and Forensic Science. Tyler also excels in program assessment, accreditation for both traditional and non-traditional curricula, and contributes as a manuscript reviewer and editorial board member for peer-reviewed publications. His dual experience as a lab analyst and educator has deepened his appreciation for practical learning that equips professionals to address diverse forms of child maltreatment.

Tyler's commitment extends to his role as Director of CAST at the Zero Abuse Project. He commits to aiding faculty in training, development, and implementation of CAST programs at their institutions. Dr. Council holds a B.A. in Biology from Hanover College (Hanover, IN), a B.S. in Criminal Justice from Oakland City University (Oakland City, IN), and an M.S. and Ed.D. in Biology from Ball State University (Muncie, IN). His mission is to leverage his scientific and educational background to bolster child advocacy initiatives, elevating both academia and research in this field.

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