Forensic Accounting for Criminal Investigations Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Criminology	**Duration**	10 Days
Base Fee	$3,000 USD	**Delivery Mode**	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Training Course on Forensic Accounting for Criminal Investigations is designed using modern analytical tools, legal knowledge, and investigative methodologies to empower professionals with actionable skills. Through a blend of theoretical frameworks and practical exercises, this course equips participants to handle high-profile investigations, prepare expert reports, and deliver testimony in court. This program is essential for those aiming to bridge the gap between accounting and criminal justice in the fight against white-collar crime.

Programme Curriculum

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Course Objectives

1. Understand the fundamentals of forensic accounting in white-collar crime investigations.
2. Identify various forms of financial fraud, including embezzlement, kickbacks, and money laundering.
3. Learn how to trace illicit financial flows through digital forensics and data analytics.
4. Master the preparation of court-admissible forensic reports.
5. Understand the role of forensic accountants in criminal litigation.
6. Learn how to uncover shell company structures used in corporate fraud.
7. Apply data mining techniques for identifying financial irregularities.
8. Understand internal control weaknesses that lead to financial crimes.
9. Analyze real-world case studies involving financial misconduct and asset misappropriation.
10. Evaluate financial statements for fraud indicators and anomalies.
11. Build expertise in handling cyber-enabled financial crime investigations.
12. Learn about ethics in forensic accounting and how to manage conflicts of interest.
13. Gain hands-on skills in conducting forensic audits for criminal evidence gathering.

Target Audiences

1. Forensic Accountants
2. Criminal Investigators
3. Law Enforcement Officers
4. Auditors and Internal Control Officers
5. Legal Professionals and Prosecutors
6. Risk Management Professionals
7. Anti-Money Laundering (AML) Analysts
8. Accounting and Finance Students

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Course Modules

Module 1: Introduction to Forensic Accounting

- Definition and scope
- Historical background
- Key responsibilities
- Relationship with law enforcement
- Ethical considerations
- **Case Study:** The Bernie Madoff Ponzi Scheme

Module 2: Legal Framework and Financial Crimes

- Types of financial crimes
- Laws governing forensic accounting
- Legal procedures and compliance
- Role of forensic accountants in court
- Chain of custody for evidence
- **Case Study:** Enron Corporation Scandal

Module 3: Fraud Detection and Prevention

- Fraud triangle theory
- Early warning signs
- Internal controls
- Red flags in financial records
- Investigative tools
- **Case Study:** WorldCom Accounting Fraud

Module 4: Investigative Techniques in Forensic Accounting

- Interviewing and interrogation
- Surveillance and evidence collection
- Digital trail tracking
- Analyzing transaction patterns
- Subpoena and documentation review
- **Case Study:** Wells Fargo Account Fraud

Module 5: Financial Statement Fraud

- Manipulation techniques
- Earnings management
- Asset overstatement
- Ratio analysis for fraud detection
- Audit trails and reconciliations
- **Case Study:** Toshiba's Financial Misstatements

Module 6: Cybercrime and Digital Forensics

- Cyber-enabled financial crimes
- Data retrieval and analysis
- Forensic tools and software
- Email and network forensics
- Cryptocurrency tracing
- **Case Study:** The Silk Road Bitcoin Investigation

Module 7: Money Laundering and Asset Tracing

- Laundering stages (placement, layering, integration)
- Offshore accounts and shell companies
- AML regulations and compliance
- Transaction monitoring systems
- Beneficial ownership analysis
- **Case Study:** HSBC Money Laundering Scandal

Module 8: Embezzlement and Financial Misconduct

- Identifying misappropriation schemes
- Payroll and procurement fraud
- Billing and vendor fraud
- Lifestyle analysis
- Whistleblower role
- **Case Study:** Rita Crundwell Embezzlement

Module 9: Internal Controls and Risk Management

- COSO framework

- Risk assessments
- Control design and testing
- Control environment and activities
- Fraud risk indicators
- **Case Study:** Lehman Brothers Internal Failures

Module 10: Data Analytics in Forensic Accounting

- Benford's Law
- Predictive analytics
- Statistical modeling
- Trend and outlier analysis
- Data visualization techniques
- **Case Study:** Medicare Fraud Using Data Mining

Module 11: Reporting and Documentation

- Expert reports structure
- Documentation standards
- Objectivity and neutrality
- Presenting evidence
- Communicating findings to stakeholders
- **Case Study:** Accounting Fraud Report Submitted to SEC

Module 12: Testifying as an Expert Witness

- Preparing for testimony
- Courtroom procedures
- Cross-examination techniques
- Visual aids for presentation
- Ethical conduct in testimony
- **Case Study:** Testimony in the Elizabeth Holmes Trial

Module 13: Ethics and Professional Responsibility

- Code of ethics for forensic accountants
- Confidentiality and conflict of interest
- Whistleblowing ethics
- Due diligence requirements
- Professional skepticism
- **Case Study:** Whistleblower Case in Wirecard Scandal

Module 14: International Perspectives in Forensic Accounting

- Global financial crime trends
- International AML standards (FATF)
- Cross-border investigations
- Mutual legal assistance treaties
- Forensic accounting challenges abroad
- **Case Study:** 1MDB Scandal in Malaysia

Module 15: Capstone Project: Simulated Investigation

- Project briefing and scenario overview
- Financial analysis and fraud tracing
- Interview techniques

- Drafting expert reports
- Mock court presentation
- **Case Study:** Simulated Cross-Border Corporate Fraud

Training Methodology

- Interactive lectures and expert presentations
- Hands-on workshops using forensic tools and software
- Real-world case study analysis and group discussions
- Role-playing exercises including courtroom testimony
- Quizzes and assignments for continuous assessment
- Capstone investigation project with peer feedback

Register as a group from 3 participants for a Discount

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Certification

Upon successful completion of this training, participants will be issued with a globally- recognized certificate.

Tailor-Made Course

We also offer tailor-made courses based on your needs.

Key Notes

a. The participant must be conversant with English.

b. Upon completion of training the participant will be issued with an Authorized Training Certificate

c. Course duration is flexible and the contents can be modified to fit any number of days.

d. The course fee includes facilitation training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch and A Certificate upon successful completion of Training.

e. One-year post-training support Consultation and Coaching provided after the course.

f. Payment should be done at least a week before commence of the training, to FINESKILL TRAINING CENTER account, as indicated in the invoice so as to enable us prepare better for you.

Upcoming Scheduled Sessions

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
07 Sep 2026	18 Sep 2026	Online	$2,200
14 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Online	$2,200
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Online	$2,200

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28 Sep 2026	09 Oct 2026	Online	$2,200
05 Oct 2026	16 Oct 2026	Online	$2,200
12 Oct 2026	23 Oct 2026	Online	$2,200
19 Oct 2026	30 Oct 2026	Online	$2,200
26 Oct 2026	06 Nov 2026	Online	$2,200

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