

Legal Masterclass: Forensic Law

Description

This legal masterclass will equip you with the essential knowledge and understanding of the basic principles of criminal law as well as the specific elements of the crimes that are investigated by an economic and/or criminal investigator. Furthermore, the masterclass demonstrates how to investigate and gather evidence, including the rules and admissibility of evidence.

Structure of workshop

Day 1

- General Principles of Criminal Law
- The Crime of Fraud, including Workplace Fraud
- The Crime of Theft
- The Crime of Corruption, looking at the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act 12 of 2004
- Interpretation of the Prevention of Organized Crime Act
- Other Statutory Offences

Day 2

- Basic Methods of Investigation
- Evidence Gathering
- Interviewing of Witnesses and Suspects
- How to Take Statements
- The Nature, Investigation and Combating of Economic Crimes
- The Red Flags of Fraud
- Practical Guidelines on the Prevention of Fraud
- Remedies (disciplinary, criminal, and civil)
- Recovery of Assets
- Reporting Duties of Role-players relevant to Forensic Investigations

Day 3

- Rules of Evidence
- Opinion Evidence and Expert Witnesses
- Hearsay Evidence
- The Analysis of Evidence (DNA, Fingerprint, Firearm, Digital Devices)
- The Admissibility of Polygraph Tests
- Competence, Compellability, and Privilege
- Admissions and Confessions
- Reporting Lines (The Whistle Blowers Act)
- The Legalities surrounding Interception, Monitoring and Entrapment
- Entry, Search and Seizure v Constitutional Rights
- The Role of Forensic Experts in Courts

Mode of Delivery

Online.

Admission requirements

This SLP is open to people working in a legal, business, regulatory, financial environment or any potential student who has completed Grade 12 studies and has a keen interest in many or a specific area of law.

Assessments

There are no assessments.

Masterclass Facilitator

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