

CRIMINAL DEFENCE INVESTIGATION PRACTICE

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Industry Classification under CoP: Class A – Approved Portfolio Specific Course

Pre Requisite Requirements: This course is designed for investigation industry professionals to expand their scope of expertise and/or assist practitioners formally refresh their knowledge and awareness to developments in this professional practicing portfolio. Applicants must have suitable experience in an investigation field and preferably hold a National Practising Certificate issued by the AIPD under the National Code of Practice for Investigators and Mercantile Agents 2008 (see www.aipd.com.au) through sponsorship of a recognised Industry Representative Body (IRB) which is certified as an IRB under the CoP requirements.

Continuous Professional Development (CPD) Points: This portfolio specific course attracts 5 points towards the industry CPD Program under the CoP 20 points accrual over 2 year period requirements. The CPD classification is Class 'A' – An approved industry specific portfolio course.

Course duration: 3 consecutive days

Course Cost: \$1900



Learning Outcomes

This industry, '*portfolio specific*' course will provide the participant with the basic knowledge and information to undertake Criminal Defence Investigation work commercially as well as an insight into methods of marketing those skills to clients, defence solicitors and barristers.

The course is provided as a key diligence tool for the professional development of already qualified commercial investigators and to assist the commercial investigator to broaden his or her practice scope into the growth portfolio of Criminal Defence Investigations in Australia.

Accreditation

Candidates that complete the CDI course to competency will be issued with a **Certificate of Accreditation** for the specialist portfolio of Criminal Defence Investigation Practice which qualifies the practitioner for endorsement on his/her National Practising Certificate, issued under the national Code of Practice.

Qualification Unit Summary

This valuable industry professional development course is divided into **three (3) separate Modules**.

Module 1

(Duration - One Day)

Introductory Topics, Roles and Jurisdictions

- 1.1 Course Overview
- 1.2 Value of Diversity
- 1.3 What is Criminal Defence Investigation
- 1.4 Why there is a major market for professional Criminal Defence Investigators



- 1.5 Statistical Information relating to Criminal Defence Investigation applications in Australia
- 1.6 Understanding the Judicial System and procedures – Courts, Law Enforcement roles, legal representation in Australia
- 1.7 Procedural information simplified
- 1.8 Why it is necessary to prepare a Defence Brief
- 1.9 Differences between the Civil Jurisdiction and Criminal Jurisdiction
- 1.10 Roles and functions of the Parties within our adversarial system of justice
- 1.11 Scope of new business opportunities for the Criminal Defence Investigator
- 1.12 Ethical standards and compliance within our judicial system – include introduction to 'best practice' and overview of the National Code of Practice (CoP)

Module 2

(Duration - One Day)

Development of Practical Skills, Knowledge and Application

- 2.1 How to investigate for the Defendant – Where do you start? What am I looking for?
- 2.2 Documents I need to be familiar with such as Uniform Civil Procedures Rules
- 2.3 Evidence law, rules of admissibility, criminal defences and standards of proof, basics of criminal law. Rules of evidence and preparation of witnesses and Defendant
- 2.4 Concepts of Probability and Beyond Reasonable Doubt. Civil & Criminal Jurisdictions
- 2.5 The Federal Privacy Act and PPP's and F.O.I & Anton Pillar orders
- 2.6 Understanding of Police Statutory Powers, Limitations, Process & Applications



- 2.7 Interview techniques and interview format - conversation management and cognitive interviewing models
- 2.8 The Criminal Defence Investigator interview techniques and communication skills
- Recorded interview in Q & A, why?
- 2.9 How to Investigate for the Defendant – **The PROCESS summarised and expanded**

Module 3

(Duration - One Day)

Reports, Court Preparation, Fees, Marketing and Ethical Standards

- 3.1 CDI Report format and presentation
- 3.2 Court preparation and evidence given by defence investigators
- 3.3 Payment of fees – Who pays? How much should a CDI charge?

Guest Speaker

Legal Practitioner

- Discusses advantages of utilising a professional investigator – Why there is considerable opportunity for professional Criminal Defence Investigators(CDI's) in Australia
 - The Laws of Evidence relating to a Private Investigator
 - Scope investigations may encompass
 - Dealing with the Legal Profession from a Legal Practitioner's viewpoint
- 2.10 How to generate employment opportunities / marketing yourself as a Criminal Defence Investigator. How to approach lawyers. What do I say/do to secure work opportunities?



- 2.11 Ethical standards and compliance within our legal system – include introduction and overview of the National Code of Practice for Investigators & Mercantile Agents in Australia 2008, Continuous Professional Development (CPD) and the Code's Dispute Resolution Scheme (DRS)
- 2.12 How 'Certification' can assist in marketing your professional skills.
- 2.13 Association membership benefits for your Practice

Registration

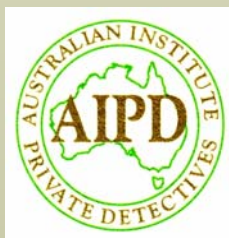
To register your interest in undertaking this valuable industry course please complete the 'register of interest' form on the AIPD website www.aipd.com.au or contact AIPD directly for dates and city locations of the next course.

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