Advanced Questioned Document Examination Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Criminology	**Duration**	5 Days
Base Fee	$1,500 USD	**Delivery Mode**	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

Questioned Document Examination (QDE) is a critical component of modern forensic science, particularly in fraud investigation, criminal justice, and civil litigation. As forged documents, signature fraud, and document tampering cases increase globally, the need for advanced document analysis expertise is at an all-time high. Training Course on Questioned Document Examination (Advanced) provides forensic professionals, law enforcement personnel, legal experts, and document analysts with the skills and scientific techniques to detect forgeries, authenticate handwriting, and identify alterations in questioned documents with precision.

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Programme Curriculum

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Course Objectives

1. Analyze forgery patterns using scientific QDE techniques.
2. Identify handwriting characteristics and individual writing habits.
3. Evaluate signature authenticity with biometric comparison.
4. Detect document alterations using advanced imaging tools.
5. Perform ink and paper analysis using chemical techniques.
6. Understand the legal admissibility of QDE findings in court.
7. Apply digital forensic methods in document examination.
8. Conduct typewriting and printing source analysis.
9. Use microscopy and spectral tools for forensic validation.
10. Generate expert witness reports based on examination results.
11. Integrate AI and machine learning tools in document comparison.
12. Examine security documents like passports and currency.
13. Solve real-world document fraud cases with critical thinking.

Target Audiences

1. Forensic document examiners
2. Criminal investigators and detectives
3. Cybercrime and fraud investigators
4. Legal professionals and prosecutors
5. Intelligence and national security officers
6. Government document control officers
7. Customs and immigration fraud units
8. Academic researchers in forensic science

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Course Modules

Module 1: Fundamentals of Questioned Document Examination

- History and scope of QDE
- Roles and responsibilities of a forensic document examiner
- Classification of questioned documents
- Overview of handwriting and document features
- Chain of custody in document evidence
- *Case Study: Investigation of a forged contract in a corporate fraud case*

Module 2: Handwriting and Signature Examination

- Writing process and natural variations
- Identification of individual writing habits
- Detection of simulated and traced signatures
- Signature authentication techniques
- Challenges in signature examination
- *Case Study: Fraudulent check signing in a financial fraud case*

Module 3: Ink and Paper Analysis

- Types of inks and their chemical composition
- Paper manufacturing and fiber analysis
- Tools for ink differentiation (TLC, IR spectroscopy)
- Detection of ink alterations and age estimation
- Preservation and storage of documents
- *Case Study: Identification of forged birth certificates in civil court*

Module 4: Printing Technology and Typewriting Analysis

- Features of printed vs. handwritten documents
- Analysis of typewriting and computer-generated documents
- Identification of printers and photocopiers
- Line quality and printing defects
- Matching fonts and typographic signatures
- *Case Study: Threat letter printed using a disguised printer*

Module 5: Document Alteration and Erasure Detection

- Detection of mechanical erasures and obliterations
- Use of oblique lighting and microscopy
- Use of digital filters to expose hidden text
- Types of alterations (chemical, physical, overwriting)
- Limitations and challenges in alteration detection
- *Case Study: Insurance claim manipulation involving altered dates*

Module 6: Digital Document Examination

- Forensic analysis of scanned and digital documents
- Metadata analysis in PDFs and word files
- Techniques to detect digital alterations
- Watermarking and digital signatures
- Use of AI in document comparison
- *Case Study: Employment document forgery using Photoshop*

Module 7: Expert Reporting and Courtroom Testimony

- Preparing forensic QDE reports
- Structuring conclusions and findings
- Expert witness qualifications and standards
- Cross-examination strategies and best practices
- Ethics in forensic testimony
- *Case Study: Courtroom success of a QDE expert in a high-profile case*

Module 8: Advanced Tools and Emerging Trends in QDE

- Overview of spectral imaging and hyperspectral analysis
- Machine learning in handwriting and signature recognition
- Use of biometric authentication for document verification
- Detection of counterfeit security documents
- Integration of blockchain for document authenticity
- *Case Study: Identifying counterfeit passports in cross-border trafficking*

Training Methodology

- Interactive lectures by certified forensic document examiners

- Hands-on laboratory sessions using real and simulated documents
- Group activities and problem-solving scenarios
- Use of forensic software and imaging tools
- Courtroom simulation and report writing practice
- Assessment through practical tests and case study evaluations

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
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Online	$1,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$1,500
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$3,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$3,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$4,500

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