Online Child Exploitation and Trafficking Investigation 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 Objectives

1. Understand the scope of online child sexual exploitation (OCSE) and human trafficking.
2. Identify trends in digital grooming and online luring techniques.
3. Learn OSINT (Open-Source Intelligence) methods for cyber investigations.
4. Apply digital forensic techniques to gather admissible evidence.
5. Understand cyber-predator profiles and behavioral indicators.
6. Utilize AI-powered monitoring tools for detection and tracking.
7. Investigate trafficking networks on the dark web and encrypted apps.
8. Apply international child protection laws and legal frameworks.
9. Conduct victim-centered interviews using trauma-informed methods.
10. Integrate multi-agency collaboration in cross-border investigations.
11. Address challenges in data privacy and digital rights.
12. Develop effective prosecution strategies using digital evidence.
13. Formulate proactive prevention campaigns and online safety programs.

Target Audiences

1. Law enforcement officers specializing in cybercrime
2. Digital forensic investigators
3. Prosecutors and legal professionals
4. Social workers and child protection advocates
5. Cybersecurity analysts and ethical hackers
6. NGO workers involved in anti-trafficking initiatives
7. International policing bodies (e.g., INTERPOL, UNODC)
8. Government policy makers and legislators

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Course Modules

Module 1: Introduction to Online Child Exploitation

- Definitions and types of online exploitation
- Global statistics and impact on society
- Legal classifications and penalties
- Victim profiles and vulnerabilities
- Overview of child grooming stages
- **Case Study:** Analyzing the "Webcam Child Sex Tourism" bust in the Philippines

Module 2: Understanding Grooming & Online Luring Tactics

- Social media and gaming platforms as luring tools
- Psychological manipulation techniques
- Indicators of grooming behaviors
- Role of AI in detecting luring patterns
- Bystander intervention online
- **Case Study:** Snapchat grooming incident and its forensic breakdown

Module 3: Digital Forensics in Child Exploitation Investigations

- Seizing and preserving digital evidence
- Mobile and cloud-based forensic tools
- Metadata extraction techniques
- Chain of custody and legal compliance
- Use of FTK and EnCase software
- **Case Study:** iPhone data extraction in child pornography prosecution

Module 4: OSINT Tools & Techniques

- Introduction to OSINT for child exploitation
- Identifying digital footprints and aliases
- Tracking IPs and social media activities
- Image and video geolocation
- Open-source browser extensions and platforms
- **Case Study:** Use of OSINT to locate a trafficker on Reddit

Module 5: The Dark Web & Encrypted Communication

- Understanding Tor, I2P, and other darknets
- Dark web marketplaces and chat forums
- Cryptocurrency and anonymous payment tracing
- De-anonymization techniques
- Law enforcement infiltration strategies
- **Case Study:** Operation Darknet – International sting operation success

Module 6: AI and Emerging Technologies in Detection

- AI surveillance and machine learning
- Predictive policing tools
- Facial recognition in missing child cases
- Ethical implications of surveillance
- Automation in pattern recognition
- **Case Study:** Thorn's Spotlight AI tool in victim identification

Module 7: Psychological Profiling of Offenders

- Behavioral patterns of child predators
- Typologies: situational vs. preferential offenders
- Criminal motivation and risk assessment
- Role of mental health evaluations
- Recidivism and rehabilitation
- **Case Study:** FBI psychological profiling in serial predator case

Module 8: Legal & Ethical Frameworks

- National and international legal statutes
- UNCRC and regional human rights laws

- Admissibility of digital evidence
- Data protection and privacy compliance
- Legal pitfalls in cross-border cases
- **Case Study:** Legal analysis of the UK vs. Internet Watch Foundation

Module 9: Victim-Centered Approach & Trauma-Informed Interviews

- Principles of trauma-informed care
- Preparing for sensitive interviews
- Avoiding re-traumatization
- Coordination with psychologists
- Building trust with child victims
- **Case Study:** Multidisciplinary approach in interviewing survivors

Module 10: Multi-agency Collaboration & Reporting

- Importance of inter-agency taskforces
- Roles of NGOs, tech companies, and police
- Information-sharing protocols
- Emergency response coordination
- Interpol and Europol best practices
- **Case Study:** Cross-agency success in Operation Rescue

Module 11: Prevention & Online Safety Campaigns

- Digital citizenship education
- Awareness tools for schools and parents
- Government-led online safety programs
- Partnering with tech companies
- Campaign metrics and evaluation
- **Case Study:** Australia's ThinkUKnow program and impact report

Module 12: Investigating Child Trafficking Rings

- Common trafficking routes and digital signals
- Recruitment and transportation patterns
- Financial trail tracing
- Tech-enabled brothel networks
- Victim rescue protocols
- **Case Study:** Dismantling of trafficking ring using WhatsApp evidence

Module 13: Courtroom Evidence & Prosecution Strategies

- Preparing forensic evidence for trial
- Expert witness testimonies
- Cross-examination techniques
- Prosecutor-investigator collaboration
- Victim witness protection
- **Case Study:** Digital evidence success in US vs. Harris case

Module 14: Emerging Threats in Online Exploitation

- Deepfakes and synthetic media
- Child sexual abuse material (CSAM) proliferation
- Livestreaming abuse trends
- New tactics in sextortion

- Global response strategies
- **Case Study:** Tackling livestream CSAM in Eastern Europe

Module 15: Post-Investigation Care and Policy Reform

- Long-term victim support systems
- Rehabilitation of rescued children
- Policy development and advocacy
- Monitoring offender registries
- Legislative review process
- **Case Study:** Kenya's legal reforms post-UNICEF advocacy reports

Training Methodology

- Interactive expert-led lectures and Q&A
- Real-life simulation exercises and digital labs
- Case study analysis and group discussions
- Role-play for trauma-informed interviews
- Hands-on OSINT and forensic tool practice
- Quizzes, assessments, and final certification test

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	04 Dec 2026	Online	$2,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$3,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$12,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$9,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$12,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$12,000

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