



Criminal Investigative Techniques

May 6, 8, 13, 2008

6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Georgetown University

Clarendon Campus

Syllabus

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Course Description/Objectives:

Fraudulent financial reporting has received significant press in recent years with the well publicized failures or frauds at Enron, MCI and Adelphia.

This class addresses key criminal investigative and evidence building techniques used by law enforcement officers with special emphasis on those techniques having application to Forensic Accounting investigations. This class will teach students investigative techniques for building evidence in a fraud case as well as practical techniques for conducting interviews or criminal interrogation situations.

Course Textbook/Materials:

No textbook is required; course materials to be provided.

Class Schedule:

Part One (May 6, 2008)

1. Introduction and overview by instructors. Discussion will focus on:
 - a. Techniques used for evidence collection and storage
 - b. Data analysis to include Forensic Analysis
 - c. Identifying sources for public records
 - d. Rules of evidence and discovery (Trial Preparation)
 - e. Criminal fraud case study, which will consist of an in depth review and analysis of the investigative steps utilize to successfully prosecute the subject(s) of this investigation. (Barriers / Errors / Mistakes will be reviewed)
 - f. Undercover / Covert possibilities in the financial fraud world.
 - g. Link Analysis / Computer Software Assistance

The emphasis of this session will be to utilize the investigative tools and processes identified in an attempt to develop the necessary evidence in a fraud case.

Part Two (May 8 and 13, 2008)

2. Session highlights:

- a. Interview and interrogation techniques
- b. Case studies of high profile police interrogations will be examined and reviewed
- c. Deconstructing the essential elements of a successful interview or interrogation and analyzing the specific techniques used by law enforcement for structuring the interview setting; establishing rapport with the subject; eliciting relevant information; detecting and overcoming deceptive or evasive responses
- d. Reading behavior and body language.

Course includes a section for practical exercises and role playing with one-on-one training and feedback. The course will assist each student in identifying his or her best personal interview style based on individual personality traits.

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