Sexual Assault Response and 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

Sexual assault remains one of the most underreported and misunderstood crimes globally. Training Course on Sexual Assault Response & Investigation is designed to equip professionals with the essential knowledge, legal framework, and trauma-informed skills needed to effectively respond to and investigate sexual assault cases. By incorporating the latest forensic techniques, victim advocacy approaches, and criminal justice best practices, the course emphasizes the importance of survivor-centered, evidence-based strategies for achieving justice while minimizing retraumatization.

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Programme Curriculum

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Course Objectives

1. Understand the dynamics of sexual assault and trauma-informed response.
2. Apply legal and ethical frameworks in sexual assault investigations.
3. Master crime scene preservation and forensic evidence handling.
4. Conduct survivor-sensitive interviews using trauma-informed techniques.
5. Develop coordinated multi-agency response protocols.
6. Utilize digital forensic tools for collecting and analyzing evidence.
7. Implement victim-centered care strategies in diverse communities.
8. Enhance report writing and documentation skills for prosecution.
9. Recognize and address false reporting myths and biases.
10. Promote cultural competence in response and investigations.
11. Interpret medical forensic exam findings accurately.
12. Collaborate with Sexual Assault Response Teams (SARTs) effectively.
13. Improve outcomes through data-driven decision-making and evaluation.

Target Audiences

1. Law Enforcement Officers
2. Forensic Nurses and SANE Professionals
3. Victim Advocates
4. Prosecutors and Legal Professionals
5. Social Workers and Therapists
6. Healthcare Providers
7. University Title IX Coordinators
8. Military and Correctional Facility Personnel

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Course Modules

Module 1: Understanding Sexual Assault

- Definition and types of sexual assault
- Statistics and trends in reporting
- Psychological and physical impact on victims
- Legal definitions and terminology
- Common myths and misconceptions
- **Case Study: Unreported campus assault and institutional response**

Module 2: Trauma-Informed Approach

- Principles of trauma-informed care
- Neurobiology of trauma
- Avoiding secondary victimization
- Empathy-driven communication techniques
- Vicarious trauma and self-care
- **Case Study: Survivor interview and memory recall**

Module 3: Role of First Responders

- Responsibilities of first responders
- Initial contact and scene assessment

- Prioritizing victim safety
- Collecting preliminary statements
- Coordination with emergency medical teams
- **Case Study: Police response to domestic sexual assault**

Module 4: Forensic Medical Examination

- Role of Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (SANEs)
- Evidence collection protocols
- Chain of custody
- Documenting injuries and evidence
- Victim consent and rights
- **Case Study: Hospital-based SANE examination**

Module 5: Evidence Collection & Preservation

- Physical evidence vs. testimonial evidence
- Scene documentation and photography
- Proper storage of biological samples
- Managing digital and physical evidence
- Avoiding contamination and evidence loss
- **Case Study: Dorm room evidence contamination case**

Module 6: Interviewing the Survivor

- Building rapport and trust
- Phases of a trauma-informed interview
- Open-ended vs. leading questions
- Timing and setting considerations
- Documentation and use of interpreters
- **Case Study: Interview with a minor survivor**

Module 7: Suspect Interview & Interrogation

- Legal considerations and Miranda rights
- Behavioral analysis techniques
- Avoiding coercion and false confessions
- Suspect profiling and background checks
- Corroborating suspect statements
- **Case Study: Confession retraction in court**

Module 8: Legal Framework & Prosecution

- Key legislation and legal precedents
- Prosecutor’s role and strategy
- Preparing survivors for court
- Plea deals and trial procedures
- Evidentiary challenges in sexual assault cases
- **Case Study: College athlete prosecution**

Module 9: Multi-Agency Collaboration

- Role of Sexual Assault Response Teams (SARTs)
- Cross-agency communication protocols
- Information sharing and confidentiality
- Coordinated care for survivors

- Building trust across sectors
- **Case Study: Multi-agency response to serial offender**

Module 10: Cultural Competence in Investigations

- Recognizing bias and stereotypes
- Working with LGBTQ+ survivors
- Addressing racial and ethnic disparities
- Language and disability considerations
- Building inclusive practices
- **Case Study: Immigrant survivor and cultural barriers**

Module 11: Reporting and Documentation

- Best practices in narrative report writing
- Legal terminology and factual accuracy
- Timelines and chain of events
- Including forensic findings in reports
- Impact on prosecution and defense
- **Case Study: Poor documentation affects trial outcome**

Module 12: Digital Forensics and Evidence

- Use of cell phone and social media evidence
- Digital chain of custody
- Metadata and location tracking
- Analyzing deleted data
- Cyber harassment and online sexual assault
- **Case Study: Digital trail leads to conviction**

Module 13: Responding on College Campuses

- Title IX policies and procedures
- Clery Act and campus safety
- Role of campus security
- Confidentiality vs. mandatory reporting
- Prevention programs and education
- **Case Study: Mishandled university sexual assault case**

Module 14: Sexual Assault in the Military and Corrections

- Unique challenges in military/correctional environments
- Institutional hierarchy and reporting
- UCMJ and PREA overview
- Survivor protections and retaliation prevention
- Trauma care in confined settings
- **Case Study: Inmate assault and internal cover-up**

Module 15: Prevention, Advocacy & Policy

- Sexual violence prevention strategies
- Community-based education programs
- Victim rights and support resources
- Public health approaches to violence
- Role of advocacy organizations
- **Case Study: Policy reform following media investigation**

Training Methodology

- Instructor-led interactive lectures
- Role-play and scenario simulations
- Group case study analysis
- Multimedia presentations and survivor testimonials
- Hands-on practice with forensic tools
- Pre- and post-assessment quizzes and feedback

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
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Online	$2,000
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	$3,000
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	$0
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