

Short Learning Programme Outline: Introduction to Criminal Investigation 40 contact hours (5 days)

Purpose of Short Learning Programme

This credit bearing SLP will prepare students with the necessary basic knowledge and skills to investigate crime in a professional and proper manner. It will specialise in the science, art, procedural as well as all legal aspects of criminal investigation and will equip the investigator with all the basic knowledge and modern investigation techniques.

Minimum Entrance Requirements/Learning to be in place for this Short Learning Programme

Access to this short learning programme is granted to applicants who meet the following minimum entrance requirements:

- A National Senior Certificate (NSC) granting access to a Higher Certificate or
- A National Certificate (Vocational) Level 4 (NCV4) or
- An appropriate Further Education and Training Certificate or equivalent.

It is assumed that the student would be competent in the language of instruction (English at NQF Level 4), Mathematical Literacy (NQF level 4) and the theoretical knowledge and understanding accomplished at that level.

Assessment practice

Formative and summative assessments will be undertaken. The formative assessment will consist of various assessment opportunities created for the students where it will be expected of them to complete short assignments, do case studies and group work. The formative assessment is used to give regular feedback to monitor their progress and also to ensure they are mastering the work. The formative assessment will count towards 40% of the final mark. At the end of the SLP students will have a summative assessment opportunity where they will sit for a 2 hour test counting 60%. Students need to obtain a 50% pass mark overall.

Attendance Requirements

- Kindly note delegates are required to attend all training days for the duration of the course.

Course Outline:**Criminal Law**

- General Principles Of The Criminal Law
- Participation In Criminal Activities
- Attempt
- Incitement
- Conspiracy

Investigation Process

- Identification
- Categories Of Identification
- The Locard Principle

Conduct at the Crime Scene**Interviewing**

- The Difference Between Interviewing And Interrogation
- Problem Areas With Interviewing
- Basic Skills That The Interviewer Must Possess

Introduction to Interrogation

- Objectives Of Interrogation
- The Autonomic Nervous System
- Steps Of Interrogation
- Application Of The Steps Of Interrogation

Introduction to Informer Handling

- Information Classification
- Justification For The Use Of Informers
- Preparatory Phase For Recruiting An Informer

- Factors Influencing The Crime/Target Analysis
- Characteristics Of An Informer
- Motives For Co-Operation
- Recruiting Of Informers
- Briefing And Debriefing
- Various Personal Meeting Methods

Statements

- Principles Of A Good Statement
- Composition
- The Preamble
- Body Of The Statement
- Regulations Governing The Administration Of An Oath Or Affirmation

Credits

- The Introduction to Criminal Investigation SLP is registered at the Nelson Mandela University and carries 12 credits on NQF level 5 towards the Higher Certificate: Criminal Justice, a formal qualification offered at the university. It also carries credits towards a new formal qualification offered by the university's Faculty of Law namely the Diploma in Law Enforcement.
- Candidates who have successfully completed the SLP and who wish to enrol for the specified formal qualification(s) to which the credits are registered, may apply to the University for the exemption of the credits achieved, **provided that the candidate meets all entrance requirements as set for the formal qualification.**

Training delivery

Training can take place on campus in Port Elizabeth or on-site.

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