Homicide Investigators Course 2022

Aim:

The Homicide Investigators Course provides professional development for criminal investigators enabling them to manage a homicide investigation. It will consolidate and enhance participants existing investigative skills and knowledge in the context of homicide and suspicious death investigations.

Learners will complete pre-course work, attend lectures, examine case studies and engage in scenario exercises as core components of the Homicide Investigators Course.

Key Topics:

- Crime scene management
- Canvassing and Searching
- Ballistics
- Initial Response & Homicide
- Establishing lines of inquiry and associated tasks
- Investigation planning/ management / leadership.
- Utilising services provided by Forensic Services Group
- Forensic Pathology
- Role of the Homicide Investigator and Coronial Investigations
- Various types of Homicides
- Unsolved Homicides
- Incident Room and Information Management
- Legislation relevant to homicide investigation
- Legislation relevant to defence tactics in respect to homicide investigation

Target Group:

The following officers are the target audience for the course:

- Sworn Officers that are a designated detective and are occupying a permanent criminal investigator position that have the potential to investigate a homicide.
- The applicant is considered by their Commander to have demonstrated an appropriate standard of competence and aptitude for enrolment in the Homicide Investigators Course.
- Some learners might be external to the NSWPF, and will be invited at the discretion of the Commander of the Homicide Investigation Squad. Advice will be provided to external agencies about suitability of participants.

Entry requirements:

Applicants must have successfully completed the courses below and must have been placed into a designated detective position and occupy a permanent criminal investigator position within their Command.

Applicants must also have previously had a substantial involvement in a homicide/suspicious death investigation.

Required courses:

- Investigators Course
- Advanced Diploma of Police Investigations (ADPI)
- Detectives Designation Course (formerly Detectives Education Program)