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Statement of participation

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has completed the free course including any mandatory tests for:

Digital forensics

This free course shows how to correctly gather, analyse and present digital evidence to both business and legal audiences.

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https://www.open.edu/openlearn/science-maths-technology/digital-forensics/content-section-0

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Digital forensics

Course summary

Digital evidence features in just about every part of our personal and business lives. Legal and business decisions hinge on having timely data about what people have actually done. This free course, Digital forensics, is an introduction to computer forensics and investigation, and provides a taster in understanding how to conduct investigations to correctly gather, analyse and present digital evidence to both business and legal audiences. It also outlines the tools to locate and analyse digital evidence on a variety of devices, how to keep up to date with changing technologies, and laws and regulations in digital forensics.

Learning outcomes

By completing this course, the learner should be able to:

- explain the origins of forensic science
- explain the difference between scientific conclusions and legal decision-making
- explain the role of digital forensics and the relationship of digital forensics to traditional forensic science, traditional science and the appropriate use of scientific methods
- outline a range of situations where digital forensics may be applicable
- identify and explain at least three current issues in the practice of digital forensic investigations.

Completed study

The learner has completed the following:

Section 1

What is digital forensics?

Section 2

What is forensic science?

Section 3

The role of the forensic scientist in law

Section 4

The role of digital forensics

Section 5

Conclusion