

The Site Exploitation Course provides students with an overall understanding of site exploitation procedures including proper collection, handling and marking methods for digital media, cellular devices and documents with intelligence value. Additionally, students learn how to document chain of custody of collected materials to ensure evidentiary value in a court of law. Students become familiar with different types of digital still cameras, an understanding of the techniques associated with using photographic equipment, and applying them to document and macro photography. Students receive instruction on the site exploitation mission planning process and conduct hands on practical exercises that reinforce the skills taught in class. The course is designed to give graduates a very good overall knowledge of the equipment, proper use, and planning considerations needed to execute a site exploitation mission. Students leave the course with an overall knowledge of the equipment and the proper expertise needed to operate in the real world.

1. Objective: Learn the fundamentals of site exploitation with focus on retaining the evidentiary quality of collected medium. Graduates demonstrate proper technique using specific equipment and practice proven tactics, techniques & procedures (TTPs) for operational environments.
2. Lesson Assessment: Daily classroom instruction and hands-on practical exercises are conducted to demonstrate a mastery of daily objectives. Each day of class includes hands-on demonstrations by the instructor. When the instructor is confident that the objective of the demonstration is understood, the class conducts practical exercises to enhance their comprehension of the task. These practical exercises include equipment use & setup, step by step planning and execution of site exploitation and collection of data vital to the intelligence process during simulated missions utilizing techniques taught in class. The instructor also insures that key terminology is understood by the class as it is used repeatedly in the classroom and during the practical exercises.
3. Prerequisites: Students of the Site Exploitation Course are not required to have any specific knowledge in order to attend the course. Exposure to digital photography equipment, the Intelligence Cycle and mission planning experience is helpful but not necessary to complete or attend the course. **Enrollment is restricted to individuals who are employed as law enforcement agents, investigators, or officers; members of the U.S. military; non-contract employees of the Department of Defense, Department of Homeland Security, and U.S. intelligence agencies.** All students need a willingness to learn and an attitude that fosters a good learning environment for all parties involved.
4. Materials: Students need note taking materials and cell phones. As the majority of learning is dependent upon having the necessary materials TSE, Inc. provides the following equipment: mapping & planning computers, site exploitation kits including nitrile gloves, 100mph tape, permanent markers, re-sealable evidence bags, sketch pads, digital photography and video equipment. **In the event the students want to train on their unit specific equipment, the students will need to bring that equipment to the course.**





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5. Instruction: PowerPoint presentations are used as a teaching and lecture tool. These presentations progress in a logical manner starting with an overview of site exploitation, site exploitation's role in the Intelligence Cycle and mission planning and preparation. The presentations then flow into basic digital photography related to site exploitation and actions on the objective. Instructor guided demonstrations & individual practical exercises make up 60% of the course.
6. Student activities: Student activities are geared toward a 2-day block of instruction.



Day 1: Focuses on PowerPoint instruction on size, component, types of SE teams, mission planning, assessing the site, processing intelligence and evidentiary information, search methods, material handling procedures and post SE requirements. Additionally, Day 1 will provide hands on instruction on assessing the site, search methods, patterns, and capturing and handling procedures.

Day 2: Hands-on practical exercise where students demonstrate their capabilities as teams during an exploitation mission with instructor oversight.

7. Contact: For questions concerning registration, training, and location please contact the Director of Training, Mark Conneway at (910) 425-7232 or 3360, or via email at training@tserecon.com.

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