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# NEWS RELEASE

**Title:** POLICE TECHNICAL Introduces a New Course to Benefit Law Enforcement: Open Source Investigations™

**Short Title:** Open Source Investigations™ by POLICE TECHNICAL Opens Doors for Law Enforcement

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POLICE TECHNICAL is now offering a course, Open Source Investigations™, to assist law enforcement investigations.

Investigations are complicated when the investigator has to worry about subpoenas and search warrants. However, with free, unsecured websites, investigators and detectives can investigate without constraints.

Open Source Investigations™ by POLICE TECHNICAL uses no trickery to obtain information, only creative investigative tactics. The course shows students what sites offer free intelligence and how to manage multiple open source sites in the search for criminals and criminal activity. It's a way to obtain what a criminal posts, such as names, pictures, videos, and conversations, in public forums.

Investigators and detectives who utilize online sources in their investigations will benefit from the class Open Source Investigations™ because it helps them efficiently organize and process the abundance of online data, said Thomas Manson, CEO of POLICE TECHNICAL.

"There's simply too much information for a single person to gather on their own regarding online investigations," Manson said.

The entire law enforcement community can utilize all of information found through open source websites. Open Source Investigations™ provides the best training to successfully use these sources.

"Knowing open source is another tool to use in order to gain information or new leads quickly and efficiently," said Kevin Keane, instructor of the Open Source Investigations™ course.

During the course, students will review topics such as social network traffic, search engines, and online maps. In addition, they will complete several hands on activities, leaving the class fully prepared to incorporate open source services into their investigations.

Open Source Investigations™ by POLICE TECHNICAL creates a nationally recognized standard in investigating and using open source sites in the search for criminals and criminal activity.

POLICE TECHNICAL is a national law enforcement training company located in Terre Haute, Ind. The company currently employs 18 instructors, who teach and maintain 17 courses in five certification tracks

Additional information on Open Source Investigations™ can be found at <https://www.policetechnical.com/courses/open-source-investigations/>

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