Counter fraud training
Welcome

The Public Sector Fraud Authority (PSFA) estimates that the extent of fraud and error across all of the government in 2020-21 was between £33.2bn and to £58.8bn*.

Key to tackling fraud and corruption is ensuring all staff have the necessary skills and knowledge – whether they are dedicated counter fraud practitioners, auditors responsible for assessing fraud risk and monitoring the control environment, or frontline staff who may be exposed to potential fraud events in their day-to-day work.

CIPFA offers a popular and wide-ranging programme of counter fraud courses, which have been developed by highly-skilled and experienced experts.

CIPFA members receive 10% off our counter fraud qualifications.

You can find all of our course dates and further details on the CIPFA website, just follow the links shown in this brochure.

*Tackling fraud and corruption against government, National Audit Office, 30 March 2023
Qualifications

**Accredited Counter Fraud Technician (ACFTech)**

A comprehensive introduction to counter fraud covering the law relevant to fraud and other acquisitive crime, plus the procedural and evidential framework within which investigations are conducted. The course examines the impact of fraud in the UK and includes an overview of the civil and criminal justice systems that deal with fraud.

The ACFTech core syllabus is set by the Counter Fraud Professional Awards Board (CFPAB).

*To learn more and book, visit: [www.cipfa.org/acftech](http://www.cipfa.org/acftech)*

**Accredited Counter Fraud Specialist (ACFS)**

The benchmark professional award for counter fraud practitioners in the UK.

An in-depth qualification covering the key skills and knowledge needed for effective fraud management – from creating an anti-fraud culture right through to investigation and resolution to the highest evidential standards.

The ACFS core syllabus is set by the CFPAB.

*Note:* delegates achieving both the ACFS and Certificate in Fraud Risk Management can be awarded the CIPFA Diploma in Counter Fraud Management.

*To learn more and book, visit: [www.cipfa.org/acfs](http://www.cipfa.org/acfs)*
Certificate in Fraud Risk Management (CFRM)

A wide-ranging programme examining the principles of corporate governance and risk management as they relate to fraud risk, control and prevention. The course delivers the in-depth skills and knowledge needed to create an effective, entity-wide fraud risk management framework.

To learn more and book, visit: www.cipfa.org/cfrm

105 CPD hours

International Certificate in Corruption Investigation

A programme focusing on the professional investigation and case management of corruption allegations to a forensic standard. The course is supported by face-to-face practical skills training, peer networking, discussion and formal assessments.

To learn more and book, visit: www.cipfa.org/icci

250 CPD hours
CIPFA Counter Fraud Investigator Apprenticeship

This is a market-leading programme that delivers innovative, dynamic and relevant training to aspiring counter fraud professionals working in a range of investigative roles. It has been mapped to the Government Counter Fraud Profession (GCFP) investigation core discipline and provides direct entry into the GCFP.

The programme incorporates a blended learning approach which promotes the development of professional standards, knowledge, skills and behaviours essential in achieving professional competence in the field.

The apprenticeship takes around two years to complete and learning activity is supported by structured on-the-job training. In addition to live web classes, all apprentices have access to our virtual learning environment, CIPFA Learning where they will find online resources to support their journey. We also offer a week-long block of face-to-face training to cover the practical aspects of the programme.

The Level 4 Counter Fraud Investigator Apprenticeship funding band has been approved at £15,000 to pay for the training of each apprentice. Employers in England can use their Apprenticeship Levy accounts to fund the training costs of their new and, in some cases, their existing counter fraud employees.

As an approved training provider for the Counter Fraud Professional Awards Board (CFPAB), CIPFA is also able to offer the well-regarded Accredited Counter Fraud Specialist award in addition to the apprenticeship (this is optional and additional fees apply).

To learn more and register, visit: www.cipfa.org/cfia
Short courses

One-day courses delivered in-house and tailored to your specific requirements.

- **Fraud Awareness**: how and why fraud occurs, the various types of fraud and how it can be prevented and detected, with a focus on assessing and managing fraud risks

- **Introduction to Fraud Investigations**: enabling delegates to increase their knowledge, competency and confidence in relation to the investigation of financial crime

- **Anti-money Laundering**: a technical and practical examination of money laundering, its nature and scale, the threat it poses and what the response should be

To learn more and book, email: counterfraudtraining@cipfa.org

At least 6 CPD hours each
e-learning

Our e-learning is designed for individuals in specific roles and for staff right across your organisation.

Anti-bribery and Corruption

A package of e-learning tools based on the UK Bribery Act 2010. It includes an in-depth course aimed at those who require a working knowledge of bribery and corruption risks and the requirements of the Act as part of their job role, plus a short awareness-raising slide-set for all staff.

To learn more, visit: www.cipfa.org/learnaboutbribery

Fraud Awareness

Available as a standalone course or as a module in our popular Diploma in Financial Skills for Public Sector Managers, this course investigates how and why fraud occurs, the various types of fraud and how it can be prevented and detected. The controls, policies and procedures that public sector organisations should have in place to support managers to prevent and detect fraud are also covered.

To learn more, visit: www.cipfa.org/fraudawareness

Whistleblowing

A two-hour e-learning course for staff and managers who need to understand what whistleblowing is, what rights should be afforded to whistleblowers and the responsibilities of managers. All CIPFA members are entitled to a 10% discount.

To learn more, visit: www.cipfa.org/whistleblowing
About us

Why train with CIPFA?

CIPFA has a long history of delivering outstanding training to finance professionals and public service leaders in the UK and across the world. As the only professional body exclusively for people in public finance, we understand the market challenges and are committed to providing the best training and development tools to support practitioners at all levels of public service, throughout their careers.

If you have any queries about our counter fraud courses, please contact us at: counterfraudtraining@cipfa.org