

SIODP Overview

Senior Investigating Officer Development Programme

What this programme offers

- Recognised national development programme
- Skilled, experienced trainers in the classroom
- Expert guest speakers
- Opportunity to network with SIOs from various forces

The SIODP will support you in becoming a competent and professional senior investigator. Successful completion of all elements will lead to national recognition and entry onto the SIO Professional Register held by the College.

“Probably the best course I have done. Hard work but got a lot out of it. Really useful”

Major Crime Hydra participant

Core Module

Role of the SIO

- Two week course
- Introductory core learning module
- Mandatory for all pathways
- Based around a case study
- Builds on the skills already gained within your forces and on the MSCIDP

This module looks at a case study which addresses elements of both serious and organised crime, major crime and public protection. Learners will look at the role of the SIO in managing and leading an investigation team and the requirements to effectively record all decisions made.

“Excellent delivery by experienced trainers with role credibility”

Core participant

MC or SOC Module

Major Crime or Serious and Organised Crime

- One week course
- Tailored around your chosen pathway
- Guest speakers who are experts in their field
- Relevant sessions around emerging UK law enforcement developments

This module builds on the knowledge and skills developed in the core module. The sessions have been designed to equip you with the skills to lead on either major crime or serious and organised crime investigations.

“Really enjoyable course, learnt so much and feel more equipped as an SIO”

Major Crime participant

Hydra Module

Hydra in your chosen pathway

- One week Hydra event
- Interactive immersive learning
- Safe but challenging investigative environment
- Simulating reality
- Putting the skills learnt on previous modules into practice

The Hydra module is a chance for you to put into practice the skills that have been learnt on the previous two modules and within the workplace. This is done in a safe working environment through stimulated immersion training. The Hydra event will be based on your chosen pathway, MC or SOC.

“Excellent course. Really challenging and tested us in the right areas”

SOC Hydra participant

Alongside the above modules a Professional Development Portfolio (PDP) must be completed within 12 months. For any further information visit the College of Policing Membership site www.college.police.uk/Membership

☆ Participant feedback has rated these exercises as the top two within the College of Policing’s Hydra portfolio

Core Module

Core Learning – IVSTX010

The purpose of this module is to further develop the knowledge and skills gained during Professionalising Investigation Programme (PIP) level 2. On successful completion of the whole programme learners will be able to undertake the role of a Senior Investigating Officer (SIO) for either major crime or serious and organised crime investigations. This module provides the core learning essential for the role of the SIO and includes the identification and development of appropriate investigative strategies, working with partner agencies, safeguarding, developing the investigative team relationships, the importance of disclosure and completing case reviews.



Module Information

MC or SOC Module

Major Crime Investigation module – IVSTX018

This module is designed to build on the knowledge and skills developed in the core learning module to enable SIOs, on completion of the programme, to be able to perform the role of senior investigator on major investigations (including homicide and public protection). The module includes the strategic management of a major crime investigation, working with the pathologist, deployment of Family Liaison Officers (FLO), management of corporate manslaughter investigations, large scale multi agency investigations and the role of expert witnesses in an investigation.

Serious & Organised Crime module - IVSTX021

This module is designed to build on the knowledge and skills developed in the core learning module to enable SIOs, on completion of the programme, to be able to perform the role of senior investigator in serious and organised crime investigations. It covers the strategic, tactical and risk elements essential for serious and organised crime and elements including organised crime group mapping, firearms threat and risk, and how internal and external specialists and organisations can assist.

Hydra Module

Major Crime Hydra (IVSTX018) and Serious and Organised Crime Hydra (IVSTX021)

The Hydra modules are designed to build on the knowledge and skills developed in previous modules of the SIODP. It is a compulsory element and a chance for delegates to put into practice what has been learnt on the core learning, the MC or SOC module and in the workplace. These skills can be practiced in a safe working environment through simulated immersive training.

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Requirements

Core Module

Prior learning/experience:

- PIP Level 2 competent having completed MSCIDP, DIDP or equivalent (PIP manager's programme)
- Awareness of HOLMES 2 or Major Incident Room Standardised Administrative Processes (MIRSAP) principles for effective case management
- Experience of managing serious and complex investigations

Co-requisites:

- Access to investigations aligned to either major crime (e.g. homicide) or serious and organised crime (e.g. OCG target operations, counter terrorism).
- Successful completion of PROTA400 Introduction to Public Protection level 1 – and associated public protection modules as appropriate.

Post-requisites:

- Completion of
 - either the major crime or serious and organised crime module
 - The relevant Hydra module
 - the professional development portfolio
- Registration on the National SIO database as either a major crime SIO or SOC SIO.

MC Or SOC Module

Major Crime

Prior learning/experience

- IVSTX010 SIODP core learning

Co-requisites:

- Access to major crime investigations,
- Complete the relevant outcomes of the DVI Core Knowledge and DVI Senior Identification Manager learning (a session is included in the major crime module to cover this topic area)

Continued learning and post-requisites:

- Completion of SIODP (MC) hydra and relevant SIODP professional portfolio
- Registration on the National SIO database as a major crime SIO

Serious and Organised Crime

Prior learning/experience

- IVSTX010 SIODP core learning
- Experience of managing covert operations
- Due to the sensitive nature of the course content a minimum vetting level of SC or equivalent is required

Co-requisites:

- Access to investigations of serious and organised crime

Continued learning and post-requisites:

- Completion of SIODP (SOC) hydra and relevant SIODP professional portfolio
- Registration on the National SIO database as a serious and organised crime SIO

Hydra

Prior learning/experience

- SIODP core learning module
- SIODP MC or SOC module
- SOC Hydra only - due to the sensitive nature of the course content a minimum vetting level of SC or equivalent is required

Continued learning and post-requisites:

- Completion of the relevant SIODP professional development portfolio
- Registration on the National SIO database

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