

# **Client Advisory Program**

# Controllership Services

# Unveiling the Truth: Forensic Techniques for Uncovering Financial Fraud and Protecting your clients

## **Course Description**

Participants will develop the skills necessary to recognize red flags, analyze financial data, and contribute to fraud prevention efforts.

## Syllabus

### Section One – Fundamentals of Accounting Forensics

Week 1: Introduction to Forensics, Types of Fraud, Warning Signs and Data Analysis

- Role of accounting professionals in fraud detection and prevention
- Overview of common types of financial fraud
- Identifying behavioral and financial red flags
- Introduction to data analytics tools and techniques
- Using data analysis to uncover irregularities

#### Section Two – Investigative Techniques

Week 2: Gathering Evidence, Interviewing Skills, Forensic Accounting Procedures

- Techniques for collecting and preserving financial evidence and chain of custody
- Strategies for conducting effective interviews
- Obtaining information from witnesses and suspects
- Tracing activity through audit trails
- Utilizing tools on hand to research suspected fraud

#### Section Three – Fraud Prevention and Reporting

Week 3: Internal controls & Risk Management, Whistleblowing & Ethics, and Reporting/Legal Aspects

- Importance of internal controls in fraud prevention
- Designing and implementing effective control systems
- Whistleblower in fraud detection
- Ethical considerations in reporting fraud
- Steps to preparing fraud report and documentation
- Legal requirements and potential ramifications



<sup>\*</sup>No pre-requisite required