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Vladimir_Belyakov - July 18, 2026, 2:40 am

Please recommend the best courses and certifications in digital forensics.

Guns3524 - July 21, 2026, 2:29 am

Hi

the best Digital Forensics certifications in my opinion are:

1. GIAC Certified Forensic Analyst (GCFA)
- highly regarded in the industry and by law enforcement agencies.
2. GIAC Certified Forensic Examiner (GCFE)
- great for starters and focuses heavily on Windows.
3. EC-Council CHFI
- popular but more entry-level.

As for courses:

SANS FOR500 (Windows forensics) - an absolute classic (admittedly pricey but worth it)
Magnet Forensics (AXIOM) courses
13Cubed (good materials and lots of free stuff to get you started)

if you want to get serious about this and have a high budget i recommend -> SANS + GCFA.

and if youre on a budget -> GCFE + Magnet AXIOM.

Vladimir_Belyakov - July 21, 2026, 12:13 pm

Thanks a lot.

I've heard a lot of good things about GIAC.

I'm thinking I'll take the GCFE exam at some point.

TooBuck - July 31, 2026, 10:04 pm

The resources provided from the above users are great. Huge vouch for SANS on my part.

If you're looking for hands-on help from forensic veterans and novice students alike, I would check out [forensicrofocus.com](#)

You can connect with other folks there, there are articles, newsletters, videos, etc. Its a multipurpose area of digital forensics activity. Very useful imo.