

Forensic Linguistics: Law and the Science of Language

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Linguistics is the study of language and how it works. **Forensic linguistics** refers to the intersection of linguistics and the law.

This 90-minute introductory program will describe several of the subdisciplines of linguistics and illustrate how they can be used in investigations and trials. The presentation will include real-life examples from both civil and criminal cases, and class participation. **Applications of forensic linguistics include:** anonymous texts, disputed contract clauses, trademark challenges, identifying falsified or fabricated texts, analyzing voice recordings—any case in which language is evidence.

Speaker

Joseph Devney holds a Master's degree in Linguistics from Georgetown University and a Certificate in Forensic Linguistics from Hofstra University, and has taught linguistics at Holy Names University in Oakland. He is a member of the International Association of Forensic Linguists.



Who should attend

Legal and law enforcement professionals who want a better understanding of what can be learned by analyzing written and spoken language.

Preregistration

<http://www.acgov.org/law/news/calendar.htm>
510-272-6483 (Visa/MC)

Date and time

Thursday, July 11, 2013
Registration 5:30 p.m.
Program 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

Location

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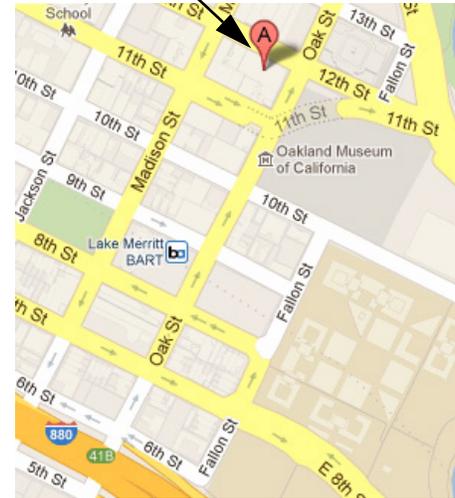
\$35.00 Day of event (7/11/13)

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