Essentials of Latent Print Examination
Establishing Admissibility

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Tuition: $695.00

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There are two primary domains of knowledge that support the validity of latent print discipline: 1) science demonstrating the discriminating power of friction ridge impressions and 2) science demonstrating trained analysts are capable of providing accurate conclusions. While many analysts learn this information as part of training, they often struggle articulating these complex concepts to the trier of fact.

This intense five-day course will review key concepts and research underlying both domains that can be used to support latent print admissibility. The instructor will facilitate discussions and mentor attendees. Attendees will devise questions and answers covering the concepts and practice testimony. A few comparison exercises are provided to reinforce the academics. Additionally, a court case illustrating real-world application of these testimony methods is woven throughout the week. The content of the course is organized into four blocks that logically build on one another: 1) Empirical Observations & Theoretical Knowledge, 2) Twin Studies & Statistical Models, 3) Vision Science & Fingerprint Expertise, and 4) Error Rate Studies & Quality Management Systems.

Full Course Description: https://evolveforensics.com/essentials/

Registration Information: https://evolveforensics.com/schedule/

About the Instructor

Alice (Maceo) White has a Bachelor of Science in Biology from the University of Alaska, Anchorage. She has worked in latent prints since 1997 and was the manager of the Latent Print Detail of the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department for 12 years. Alice served on the Scientific Working Group on Friction Ridge Analysis, Study, and Technology from 2001-2014, the NIST Expert Working Group on Human Factors in Latent Print Analysis from 2008-2011. Alice currently serves as a member of the OSAC Friction Ridge Subcommittee, and AAFS Standards Board Friction Ridge Consensus Body, and is a Technical Assessor for ANAB. Alice has published multiple articles and lectured throughout the United States and beyond.

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