

TRAINING PROGRAMS

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On-site Class Fact Sheet

Delta Forensics Training Programs

Latent Print Development and Suitability

16 Hours (\$299/person)

Scope: This 2-day training class is designed for forensic science practitioners whom may be tasked with the examination of physical evidence to make suitability determinations as to any latent impressions developed on evidence.

Day 1:

Classroom lectures will be conducted on the areas of overall fingerprint patterns, features, anchor points, crease formations, anatomical sources, and some basic qualitative/quantitative aspects of friction ridge impressions. Students will discuss the various factors that may affect the appearance of developed latent impressions, including an overview of negative findings and distortion factors. Students will also be instructed on the areas of exemplars that may be required from victims/suspects/elimination prints in order for an examiner to conduct a full examination based upon the overall features and shape of the developed latent, to include 10-prints, palm prints, and major case impressions. (8 Hours).

Day 2:

Students will utilize powder processing on items to develop latent impressions and use the factors discussed to make suitability determinations on which latents should be lifted for further examination and document their reasoning for reaching their decisions. Pre-made lifts and the student's recovered latents will be discussed in a group setting to assist the class as a whole in their understanding of the various considerations that are used to in the decision making process. During the discussions, the instructor will conduct live analysis on various latent impressions to assist in the understanding of the examination process that follows the recovery process from the perspective of a latent print examiner to demonstrate the features used during the comparative process. (8 Hours)

Class benefits:

- Approved by the IAI Latent Print Certification Board for 16 hours of continuing education towards initial certification
- Approved by the IAI Crime Scene Certification Board for 16 hours of continuing education towards certification AND re-certification
- Incentives available for host agencies!