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Essential Ridgeology Concepts

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5 Days | 40 Hours | Tuition \$600.00

Course Description:

This five day introductory course is designed to familiarize the student with the fundamental concepts of Ridgeology, which is a holistic approach to fingerprint examination. This course examines in detail the theory, technique, standards and standards for conclusions. The theories of skin growth, persistency and biological uniqueness are presented, along with the contributions of key researchers in the science of fingerprints.

The focus then shifts heavily toward technique. Considerable time is spent discussing ACE-V methodology, but preferential treatment is given to the analysis phase. Students will analyze numerous impressions, record their bench notes and then articulate and defend those notes for the class. This will reinforce the material presented and will better enable the student to understand the appearance of a given impression. It will also highlight the importance of a transparent case record that can withstand scientific scrutiny. Students will also complete two (2) separate comparison exercises.

Both legal and scientific standards will then be discussed, along with what comprises standards for conclusions. Key legal decisions pertaining to the science of fingerprints will be discussed, as will issues raised by prominent critics of the science. Students will complete a written assessment at the end of the course.

Target Audience:

The Essential Ridgeology Concepts course is the second in the sequence of courses taught through Ron Smith & Associates, Inc. for fingerprint examination.* This course is designed to follow the Introduction to the Science of Friction Ridge Examination course and precede the Fundamentals of Latent Print Examination, but will stand alone for students who already possess some basic fingerprint knowledge.

General Course Information:

This training seminar has been approved for 40 hours of Continuing Education Credit required for I.A.I. Certification and Re-certification. Certificates of attendance, authorized by the International Association for Identification, will be awarded to each student successfully completing the seminar.

Attendees must bring a fingerprint magnifier and a ridge counter is suggested. See our website for more details.

Class attire is business casual.

Course 2 of 11 in our Friction Ridge Curriculum.

This course is approved for IAI certification/re-certification

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