



Next Level Friction Ridge Examinations



Date: March 9 - 13, 2026

Time: 0800 - 1700 Monday - Thursday 0800 - 1200 Friday

Cost: \$800.00 USD

IAI approved training hours (36) for Latent Print & Tenprint Certification and Recertification

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Location: King County Regional AFIS 900 Oaksdale Ave. SW Renton, WA 98057

Link to Register: www.EvolveForensics.com/schedule/

Instructors



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Course Description

This is a 4.5-day course (36 hours) in *advanced* friction ridge examination topics. Specifically, this course will cover four challenges associated with the examination process: 1) How do the characteristics of friction ridges and the associated distortions change when the impression not recorded in typical "residue", but instead a blood matrix?; 2) What new complexities do blood impressions impart in the Analysis, Comparison, and Evaluation (ACE) phases; 3) What activity level issues are impacted by impressions in a blood matrix? And 4) How does the interpretation of ridge detail consisting of blood or complex residue scenarios affect our exclusion decisions?

When the answers to these questions are readily apparent, examiners efficiently and confidently complete cases. When the answers to these questions are opaque, examiners may slip into "analysis paralysis" (unable to make a decision) or they may exit the examination process too soon and offer an ill-supported opinion. We will explore these challenging questions through the examination of impressions that bear increasingly difficult interactions between surfaces and materials delivered by the skin. The course will consist of a series of lectures and practical exercises to emphasize the learning objectives. A test will be provided at the completion of the course to ensure students have understood the material.





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Learning Outcomes:

At the completion of the course, the student will take a test to demonstrate the completion of the learning objectives. The student attending this course will be able to:

- Identify characteristics of typical residues and blood, with consideration of the sistribution of the material on the skin and deposition effects
- Evaluate studies regarding bloody friction ridge impressions and distortion
- Identify the behavior of residue and blood on different types of surfaces
- Describe how pressure, volume, drying time impact bloody impressions
- Recognize the typical range of distortion factors as observed with both residue and blood
- Communicate how blood and residue can affect activity level propositions
- Recognize and interpret tonal reversal in complex impressions (blood and residue)
- Assess corresponding and non-corresponding features in complex impressions (blood and residue)
- Apply ACE-V to complex impressions to reach source opinions, which will include 2018 OSAC proposed source opinions.
- Recognize policy, quality control, and best practices supported by research regarding the application of OSAC proposed source opinions
- Interpret complex cases (residue and blood) that can complicate the application of ACE-V and reporting OSAC proposed source opinions

Daily Schedule

Day 1 - Advanced Feature Detection – "Normal" Residue Distribution

0800 - 0830 (Alice) Introductions and Course Overview

0830 - 0900 (Alice & Glenn) Composition of Latent Print Residue and Blood Matrix

- 0915 1015 (Alice) Distribution and Transferring of Residue
- 1030 1100 (Alice) Redistribution of Residue due to Skin Movement and Surfaces
- 1100 1130 (Glenn) Introduction of Blood as a Dynamic, Fluid Matrix

1130 - 1230 Lunch Break

- 1230 1445 (Alice) Feature Detection Exercises
- 1500 1700 Debriefing Exercises





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Day 2 - Advanced Feature Detection – Blood Residue

- 0800 0900 (Glenn) Properties of Blood
- 0915 1015 (Glenn) Deposition Factors Affecting Blood
- 1030 1130 (Glenn) Substrates and Blood Prints
- 1130 1230 Lunch Break
- 1230 1330 (Glenn) Blood Print Comparison Exercises
- 1345 1445 Debriefing Exercises
- 1500 1700 (Glenn) Activity Level and Blood Prints

Day 3 - Advanced Feature Detection - "Normal" Residue and Dislocated Ridge Flows

- 0800 0930 (Alice) Angle of Contact and Deposition Pressure
- 0945 1130 (Alice) Shearing Stress and Torque
- 1130 1230 Lunch Break
- 1230 1445 (Alice) Feature Detection Exercises
- 1500 1700 Debriefing Exercises

Day 4 - Side-By-Side Comparisons

0800 - 0900 (Glenn) Nuances of ACE-V Decision-Making

- 0915 1015 (Glenn) OSAC 2018 Conclusion Scale
- 1030 1130 (Glenn) Applying Tolerances to Friction Ridge Features
- 1130 1230 Lunch Break
- 1230 1400 (Glenn) Weighing Similarities and Differences
- 1415 1600 (Glenn) Intermediate Comparison Exercises and Debriefing
- 1600 1700 Debriefing Exercises

Day 5 - Complex Side-By-Side Comparisons – Case Studies

- 0800 1000 Complex Comparison Exercises
- 1000 1100 Debriefing Exercises
- 1100 1200 Closing Remarks