

NIJ and BJA-Funded Forensic Training and Resources

NFSTC has developed a wealth of training products including symposia, workshops and courses designed to provide a greater understanding of forensic science principles and practices for law enforcement, practitioners and investigators. Many can be accessed for free online at http://projects.nfstc.org, including agendas, presentations and videos. Additional resources can be found on our website and YouTube channel. Contact us: info@nfstc.org.

Training Event or Resource	Content	Availability
DNA Analyst Training	Nine online modules, including: Components of DNA Analysis Population Genetics and Statistics Courtroom Testimony	Via www.nfstc.org Theoretical is on NFSTC's online learning system (NOLS); can be combined with instructortraining.
Firearm Examiner Training	Theoretical knowledge component for training firearm examiners	Projects.nfstc.org Theoretical is on online; can be combined with instructor training
Forensic Science Simplified	From firearms examination to video enhancement, the site provides simple, easy-to-understand explanations of 11 different forensic disciplines. Each section presents the principles behind the techniques, approaches for discovering and collecting evidence, and an overview of how it's enhanced and processed once it gets back to the lab.	www.forensicsciencesimplified.org
Introduction to Crime Scene Investigation	16-hour course for new CSIs and first responders and offers step-by-step guidelines for scene processing and evidence collection .	Via www.nfstc.org Theoretical is on NFSTC's online learning system (NOLS); can be combined with instructor training.
Intermediate Crime Scene Investigation	16-hour course for experienced CSIs goes beyond basic skills to cover situations investigators don't see every day.	Via www.nfstc.org Theoretical is on NFSTC's online learning system (NOLS); can be combined with instructor training.
Digital Crime Scene Photography	Course covers digital camera basics and lighting strategies, as well as methods to capture impression evidence and bloodstain images. Includes camera simulation and exercises.	Via www.nfstc.org Theoretical is on NFSTC's online learning system (NOLS); can be combined with instructor training.
Introduction to Forensic Biology	2.5 hour course covers administrative and scientific concepts and safe laboratory practices	Via www.nfstc.org Theoretical is on NFSTC's online learning system (NOLS.
Latent Print Examiner Training 5 offerings	Instructor-led for entry-level LP examiner trainees designed to meet the <u>International Association for Identification (IAI)</u> requirement for technical training. 11 courses in 5 two-week sessions	Not available
Medicolegal Death Investigator	Similar content to Intro to CSI, provides medicolegal death investigators with general knowledge of scope and application of the forensic sciences, including hands on practice.	Not available











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Conferences and Symposia	 Impression and Pattern Evidence Trace Evidence Symposia Homicide Investigation Symposium Post-conviction Symposium 	Projects.nfstc.org
DNA Mixture Interpretation Workshop	Presented by experts for three days of in-depth training covering the SWGDAM Guidelines, modified sensitivity procedures and more.	Projects.nfstc.org
Technology Transition Workshops From researcher to practitioner; includes video and workshop content	 Liquid Chromatography Tandem Mass Spectrometry (LC-MS\MS) Cedar Fox Questioned Documents Laser Microdissection Methamphetamine Analysis Using Capillary Electrophoresis Miniaturized Microfluidic Devices DART Mass Spectrometry 	Projects.nfstc.org
Principles of Forensic DNA for Officers of the Court Developed for officers, attorneys and the judiciary. Also available in Spanish.	Educational resource about the effective use of forensic DNA evidence	Projects.nfstc.org
Collecting DNA Evidence at Property Crime Scenes	Best practice guide for the identification, preservation and collection of DNA evidence at the crime scene	Projects.nfstc.org
Medical Examiner Forensic Training	For Forensic Pathology Fellows to learn the scope and application of various forensic science disciplines	Not available
CSI Effect Theory	Interactive site provides officers of the court with the info on the CSI Effect theory and observations from experts throughout the justice community.	Projects.nfstc.org
Field Investigation Drug Officer (FIDO)	Workshop and resources to understand and implement a quality field-testing program to streamline straightforward drug investigations.	Projects.nfstc.org
	Other Training:	
After the Fact	Comprehensive competency assessment and proficiency testing tool for crime scene investigators. Uses interactive scenes to test skills and knowledge.	www.csi-skills.com
Sensitive Site Awareness	CSI for the battlefield— evidence, biometrics and intelligence gathering using forensic techniques.	Custom for US and International Military









