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Forensic Pieces presents:

**IAI CERTIFICATION TEST
PREPARATION: CCSI, CCSA, CSCSA
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In Honor of Our Beloved Founder of Forensic Pieces, Jan Johnson, CSCSA

We commit to you the same techniques, structure, and integrity that our fearless leader Jan Johnson carried with her to every scene, every training, every conference, every time. It will be our constant goal to strive, meet, and exceed the extremely high standards set by the one who led thousands all over the world to success in the areas of Crime Scene Investigation, Bloodstain Pattern Analysis, Shooting Reconstruction, Crime Scene Reconstruction, and so much more. Each instructor and training will reflect legacy Jan wanted for her company and the forensic community. We appreciate all the continued support support as we forge ahead our new path forward. As Jan Johnson would always say: Full Speed Ahead!!

ABOUT YOUR INSTRUCTOR:

April Crichton is a Forensic Specialist II working with the Anaheim Police Department in California, serving a dense metropolitan area and a major tourist destination. Prior to joining Anaheim Police Department in 2013, April was a Forensic Specialist with San Bernardino Police Department, where she became proficient in conducting latent print examinations and processing hundreds of crime scenes, ranging from misdemeanors to violent crimes. Aside from her crime scene and latent print analysis duties, April provides forensic training for new forensics and law enforcement personnel.

April is certified as a Crime Scene Analyst through the International Association for Identification. She is a member of the California division (CSDIAI), as well as the main parent body of the IAI since 2011. She has participated on the bloodstain sub-committee and assisted teaching a bloodstain course, under the guidance of Jan Johnson, during the IAI conference. April holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Speech Communication from California State University, Fullerton and a certification from San Bernardino Valley College in Crime Scene Investigation. She was a contributing author to a DNA retention study on vehicles, which was published in the Journal of Forensic Identification.



**COURSE DATES: JANUARY 26 – 30, 2026
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM**

**LOCATION: SALINAS POLICE DEPARTMENT
312 E. ALISAL STREET
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IAI CSI CERTIFICATION TEST PREPARATION COURSE LEVELS CCSI, CCSA, CSCSA

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COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This 28-hour course is specifically designed with the goal of enabling students to pass whichever level of the crime scene certification level examination that they are preparing to become certified for in the near future. This is a concentrated and rapidly-moving review of either two or three books (depending on the examination that you are testing to pass). Each book review will have numerous pre-testing examinations composed of hundreds of extracted questions covering every chapter so that students attending will know their areas of strengths and weaknesses to focus on. Whether novice or experienced, this class is a **must** for maximizing the chances of successfully passing the examination to improve your credentials and professionalism by becoming certified in the crime scene specialty. Students who attend this course will have a distinct advantage over those who have not attended this dedicated and intensive review course when it comes to testing for IAI certification examinations. Please be aware that the tuition fee listed above covers only the Forensic Pieces course tuition. Examination and application fees are to be handled with the IAI.

The International Association for Identification Crime Scene Certification Board will work with the hosting facility to facilitate a proctor to be present for the last day of class in order for the students to sit for the examination. If you plan to take the test after this course, you must have your application submitted to the IAI and approved at least 30 days prior to taking the exam and should be familiar with the application requirements that can be found at the following link: https://www.theiai.org/crime_scene.php. THIS COURSE IS A BOOK REVIEW. In order to maximize benefits from taking this course, any registrant must read & bring each book used as of for the module being tested or studied for (this brochure lists IAI update made 8/20/2025 below) Please view manual on pages 41-42 for current literature:

Certified Crime Scene Investigator (CCSI)

Practical Crime Scene Processing and Investigation, 3rd edition, by Ross M. Gardner, 2019, CRC Press.

Crime Scene Photography, 3rd Edition, by Edward Robinson, 2016, Academic Press Elsevier, Inc. (All chapters and glossary EXCLUDING chapters 8, subchapters 9.4, 9.6, 9.7, 9.8, and chapters 10-12).

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Crime Scene Photography, 3rd Edition, by Edward Robinson, 2016, Academic Press Elsevier, Inc. (All chapters and glossary EXCLUDING chapter 8, subchapters 9.4, 9.6, 9.7, and chapters 10 and 11).

Practical Analysis and Reconstruction of Shooting Incidents, Second Edition, Edward E. Hueske, 2021, CRC Press (All Chapters & Glossary EXCLUDING 2, 14, 18, and 20).

Certified Senior Crime Scene Analyst (CSCSA)

Crime Scene Photography, 3rd Edition, by Edward Robinson, 2016, Academic Press-Elsevier, Inc. (All Chapters EXCEPT 1, Subchapters 9.4, 9.6 and 9.7, and Pages 712-735)

Effective Expert Witnessing: Practices for the 21st Century, 5th ed. By Matson, Jack V., 2013, CRC Press (All chapters EXCEPT 8 and 9)

Forensic Science: An Introduction to Scientific and Investigative Techniques, 4th edition by James, Stuart H., Nordby, Jon J., and Bell, Suzanne, 2013, CRC Press

IF YOU NEED CLARIFICATION ON ANY READING MATERIAL AS LISTED ABOVE, PLEASE CALL THE IAI DIRECTLY AT (954) 589-0628

COURSE TOPICS:

- Equipment Needs
- Crime Scene Safety
- Scene Security
- Photography
- Search Techniques
- Note Taking
- General Documentation of Physical Evidence
- Sketching Measurements
- Biological Evidence Detection & Collection
- Trace Evidence
- Latent Impression Evidence
- Shoe & Tire Track Evidence
- Tool Mark Evidence
- Firearms Evidence
- Proper Evidence Packaging Techniques
- Report Writing
- Courtroom Testimony
- Basically, Covers Questions from Nearly Every Chapter in each Book That is Studied.

WHAT TO BRING TO CLASS:

Casual attire is suitable. Pen, papers, highlighter, note cards for note taking. A laptop computer is recommended but not required.

**EXTREMELY IMPORTANT!!!
READING/TESTING MATERIALS
AS OF 8/20/2025!!**

**<<< PLEASE ALSO VISIT THE
FCMB CERTIFICATION OPERATIONS
MANUAL (PAGES 41-42) ON THE
IAI WEBSITE FOR MOST
CURRENT LIST OF TEXTBOOKS!!**

**SEE THE LINK BELOW FOR ALL
LEVELS' CURRENT READING LIST
REVISED 8/20/2025:**

**[https://www.theiai.org/docs/01_Ops
Manual_FCMB-01-2020-
C22_8202025.pdf](https://www.theiai.org/docs/01_Ops_Manual_FCMB-01-2020-C22_8202025.pdf)**

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This course is designed to assist in the preparation for the IAI Crime Scene Investigator Certification: CCSI, CCSA and CSCSA examination. It would be beneficial to Crime Scene Investigators, Detectives, Officers, and anyone else wishing to seek IAI Certification whether or not they plan to take the exam during this class week.