



Basic Crime Scene Investigation

Clay County Sheriff's Office

Law Enforcement Resource Center

16414 N.E. 116th St, Kearney, Missouri 64060

Dates: March 9th – 13th, 2026

Time: 0800 – 1700 / Tuesday: 1200 – 2130

Cost: \$750.00

Optimum Forensic Solutions is presenting a 5-day course designed for police officers, detectives, and investigators tasked with documenting crime scenes as well as collecting, processing, and preserving items of evidence. The course is mixture of lectures & practical exercises.

Topics Covered:

- Basic DSLR Crime Scene Photography & Composition
- Low-Light & Examination Quality Photography
- Bias & Ethics in Forensic Science
- DNA, Trace, & Impression Evidence Recovery
- Crime Scene Sketching
- Bullet Impact Assessment
- Rules of Evidence & Expert Testimony

Required Course Materials:

- DSLR camera with detachable lens (18 – 55mm or similar)
- Off-camera external flash unit with sync cord
- Tripod
- Strong flashlight
- Writing Materials; USB / Flash Drive (Recommended)

Course approved for Missouri CLEE (POST) and International Association for Identification (IAI) training credits

Instructor Bio:

George Santoro holds a Bachelor's of Criminal Justice and Masters of Forensic Science. Since 2010 he has participated in over 2000 investigations including property crimes, robberies, sexual assaults, suicide investigations, homicide investigations, and officer-involved shootings. He is certified through the International Association for Identification as Senior Crime Scene Analyst and has held the titles of Investigator and Technical Leader, with his current role being Supervisor within the Crime Scene Unit. Since 2013 he has provided numerous trainings to law enforcement agencies and college students regarding the documentation, recovery, processing, and preservation of forensic evidence.



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