

**Virginia Department of Forensic Science**  
**Basic Crime Scene Investigation**  
**March 30 – April 3, 2026**

**Monday, March 30<sup>th</sup>:**

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Introduction  
9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. **Crime Scene Investigation**  
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. **Basic Photography Principles**  
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. LUNCH  
1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. **Crime Scene Photography**  
2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Exercise: Crime Scene Photography Sequence  
4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Review work product

**Tuesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>:**

8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Exercise: Correction of Errors  
10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. **Victim/Suspect Documentation**  
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. LUNCH  
12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. Exercise: Victim/Suspect Documentation  
1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Review work product  
2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. **Note taking/Forms**  
3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. **Crime Scene Sketching**

**Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup>:**

8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Exercise: Crime Scene Sketching  
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Exercise: Mechanical Drawing of Scene

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. LUNCH

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Continuation of Mechanical Drawing of Scene

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. **Latent Prints**

3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Exercise: Powder Processing

**Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>:**

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. **Forensic Biology**

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. **Laboratory Capabilities**

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. **Evidence Submission**

12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. LUNCH

1:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Exercise: Evidence Packaging and RFLE Completion

**Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>:**

8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Exercise: Scene at Hotel (Team approach)

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. LUNCH

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Critique Session of Team's performance