Virginia Department of Forensic Science
Basic Crime Scene Photography
May 11 – 14, 2026

Monday, May 11th:

8:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.	Welcome
8:45 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Orientation and Equipment Checkout
9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	**Basic Photography Principles**
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Lunch
12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	**Camera Familiarization**
1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Exercise (1) – Exposure, Depth of Field, Focus, Angle of View, Shutter Speed (Optional Polarizer Filters)
4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Download Images

Tuesday, May 12th:

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Critique Images
9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	**Crime Scene Photography**
10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Exercise (2) – Crime Scene Photography Available Light
12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Lunch
1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Download/Critique Images
2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Exercise (2) – Crime Scene Photography Available Light (correct errors)
4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Download Images

Wednesday, May 13th:

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Critique Images
9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	**Flash Theory and Familiarization**
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Exercise (3) – Flash Familiarization
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Lunch
1:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Download/Critique Images
1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Exercise (4) – Interior Crime Scene Photography
3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Download/Critique Images

Thursday, May 14th:

8:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Exercise (5) - Crime Scene Photography Documentation A complete photographic exercise both interior/exterior
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Download/Critique Images
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Lunch
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	**Footwear and Tire Impression Photography**
2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Exercise (6) – Footwear Impression Photography
3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Download and Convert to .TIFF/Critique Images
3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Equipment Check-in