

# Forensic Science and Crime Scene Investigation (2020)

## Introduction to Forensic Science FORENSIC SCI.A

- 1 Obtain, evaluate, and communicate information to describe the role of forensic science and evidence collection from historical cases in the criminal justice system.** FORENSIC SCI.A.1
- 2 Apprise the different types of forensic science laboratories and professional organizations.** FORENSIC SCI.A.2
- 3 Apply concepts of the scientific method to forensic science and to crime scene investigations.** FORENSIC SCI.A.3

## Physical Evidence FORENSIC SCI.B

- 4 Classify physical evidence based on how it is produced.** FORENSIC SCI.B.4
- 5 Plan and carry out an investigation to determine the value of physical and trace evidence.** FORENSIC SCI.B.5
- 6 Use models for the evaluation of handwriting and document evidence.** FORENSIC SCI.B.6
- 7 Construct explanations from collections of evidence, using various pathological and anthropological techniques.** FORENSIC SCI.B.7
- 8 Develop and use mathematical models to estimate height from bone length.** FORENSIC SCI.B.8
- 9 Distinguish between admissible and inadmissible scientific and technical evidence supplied by expert witnesses in criminal cases.** FORENSIC SCI.B.9

## Crime Scene Procedures, Techniques, and Analysis FORENSIC SCI.C

- 10 Explain the differences between processing and analyzing evidence.** FORENSIC SCI.C.10
- 11 Analyze and interpret data from different types of crime scene evidence to determine which forensic crime lab unit would have responsibility. Example: soil, blood spatter, shoe print, hair, computer, glass, pills, fibers** FORENSIC SCI.C.11
- 12 Construct an explanation of how scientific forensic techniques used in collecting and submitting evidence for admissibility in court have evolved over time.** FORENSIC SCI.C.12

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**13** Plan and carry out investigations using the scientific protocols for analyzing a crime scene. Example: Set perimeter, search, isolate, collect evidence, photograph, sketch, and record. FORENSIC SCI.C.13

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**14** Construct an argument from evidence explaining the relevance of possible evidence at a site of an investigation. FORENSIC SCI.C.14

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**15** Develop models to analyze and communicate information obtained from the crime scene. Example: Properly document and sketch a crime scene. FORENSIC SCI.C.15

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**Blood and Physiological Fluid Evidence** FORENSIC SCI.D

**16** Plan and carry out an investigation to use antigens and antibodies to determine blood type and to identify crime suspect(s) based on the results. FORENSIC SCI.D.16

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**17** Gather and share information about forensic identification of body fluids. FORENSIC SCI.D.17

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**18** Summarize important considerations in forensic investigation of sexual assault. FORENSIC SCI.D.18

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**19** Analyze and interpret DNA evidence to match a suspect to biological samples, identifying conditions and/or situations where errors commonly occur, and cite reasons for possible errors. FORENSIC SCI.D.19

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**20** Collect and preserve biological evidence for DNA analysis FORENSIC SCI.D.20

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**21** Differentiate among blood-borne pathogens and describe their effects on the human body. FORENSIC SCI.D.21

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**Physical Pattern Evidence and Technological Examinations** FORENSIC SCI.E

**22** Analyze distinctive features of toolmark striations and impressions. FORENSIC SCI.E.22

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**23** Analyze distinctive features of tire, footwear, and other impression evidence. FORENSIC SCI.E.23

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**24** Plan and carry out an experiment using the process of chromatography to analyze and identify ink marks. FORENSIC SCI.E.24

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**25** Perform physical and chemical analyses of evidence obtained from a crime scene, victim, and suspect, using spectrophotometers and other appropriate equipment to answer pertinent questions in the investigation. Examples: examine broken glass to determine the direction, size, and velocity of the object which struck it; determine whether soil from a victim's shoe matches soil at the scene FORENSIC SCI.E.25

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**26** Develop fingerprints and classify characteristics for identification by using distinguishing features. FORENSIC SCI.E.26

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**27 Collect and analyze latent prints using proper forensic tools and techniques. Examples: black powder, iodine, cyanoacrylate adhesive** FORENSIC SCI.E.27

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**28 Retrieve fingerprints and classify characteristics for identification by using distinguishing features. Examples: core, delta, bifurcation, bridge** FORENSIC SCI.E.28

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**29 Analyze and compare examples of firearm evidence.** FORENSIC SCI.E.29

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**30 Construct an explanation based on the path of a moving projectile to indicate how the trajectory of an object can determine the position of the person releasing the object.** FORENSIC SCI.E.30

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**Forensic Toxicology, Drugs, and Drug Analysis** FORENSIC SCI.F

**31 Differentiate among the five distinct categories or schedules of drugs, including chemical composition and effects on the human body.** FORENSIC SCI.F.31

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**32 Critique methods for laboratory analysis of controlled substance and design a solution to determine toxicity of a drug in a human based on body mass.** FORENSIC SCI.F.32

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**33 Ask questions to develop a time-of-death estimation in an actual or simulated situation, using signs of rigor mortis and stages of decomposition.** FORENSIC SCI.F.33

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**34 Compare the effects of various levels of alcohol in the human body.** FORENSIC SCI.F.34

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**Arson and Explosives Investigations** FORENSIC SCI.G

**35 Compare types of combustion reactions and give examples.** FORENSIC SCI.G.35

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**36 Analyze burn patterns in the investigation of fire scenes.** FORENSIC SCI.G.36

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**37 Gather, evaluate, and share information on methods for recovery and analysis of residues of ignitable liquids.** FORENSIC SCI.G.37

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**38 Classify explosives and explosions based on their characteristics.** FORENSIC SCI.G.38

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**Cybersecurity** FORENSIC SCI.H

**39 Assess cybersecurity tools, techniques, and technologies** FORENSIC SCI.H.39

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**40 Analyze basic computer evidence recovery techniques.** FORENSIC SCI.H.40

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**41 Demonstrate strategies for starting and managing a network intrusion investigation.** FORENSIC SCI.H.41

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**42 Assess methods of mobile device seizure and evidence recovery.** FORENSIC SCI.H.42

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**Communication** FORENSIC  
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**43 Create incident reports and forensic laboratory analysis reports.** FORENSIC  
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**44 Cite evidence and provide oral testimony in actual or simulated situations.** FORENSIC SCI. I. 44