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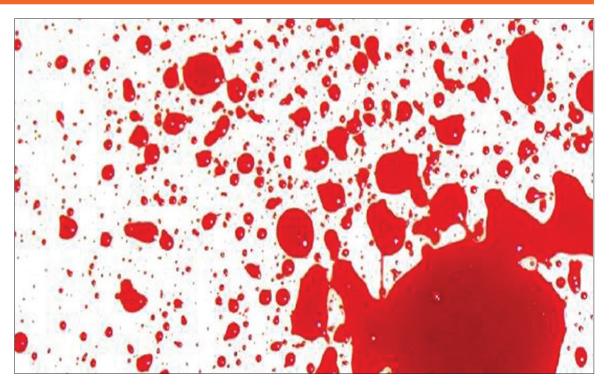
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## ADA / Special Accomodations

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# **Basic Bloodstain Pattern Analysis**

### Instructor:

Heidi Sievers, PhD, CBPA, CCSI

February 10 - 14, 2025

Hours: 8 am - 5 pm

### Location:

Columbus Police Department

James G Jackson / Columbus Police Academy

1000 North Hague Avenue

Columbus, OH 43204



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## **Basic Bloodstain Pattern Analysis**

This Basic Bloodstain Pattern Analysis course is designed for beginner investigators or for those who have not yet had bloodstain pattern analysis training or exposure to bloodstained crime scenes.

Students will learn how to correctly identify bloodstains both based on appearance as well as pattern mechanism. The course contains theory and principles of bloodstain pattern analysis as well as practical activities, mock scenes, and evidence.

#### **LEARNING OBJECTIVES:**

- Develop a working knowledge and understanding of the physical properties and characteristics of blood
- Utilize proper documentation and collection methods for bloodstains and bloodstain patterns.
- Employ proper mathematical principles for determining angle of impact, area of convergence, and area of origin.
- Understand and apply bloodstain pattern analysis findings to crime scenes and written reports
- \*It is recommended that students have previously completed a basic crime scene processing workshop course or have experience in the field.

### Students will need to bring the following equipment, if possible:

- DSLR camera
- Tripod
- Macro Lens
- External Flash
- \*\* Scales and manual calipers will be provided. Please bring a digital caliper, if you wish.

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#### COURSE INSTRUCTORS

## Heidi Sievers, PhD., CBPA, CCSI & Austin Sievers

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#### **HEIDI SIEVERS**



Heidi Sievers holds a PhD in Criminology and a Master's Degree in Forensics and Criminal Justice. She is an International Association for Identification Certified Bloodstain Pattern Analyst (CBPA) and Certified Crime Scene Investigator (CCSI).

She has completed over 500 hours of forensic-related training courses. She spent four years as a forensic investigator and human remains detection canine handler, in a law enforcement capacity, before moving on as an independent bloodstain pattern analysis consultant, trainer, and college professor for the past two years. She has taught both undergraduate and graduate-level forensic coursework at three regionally accredited universities, as well as, served as program director and chair over forensic investigation and crime scene technology.

She owns Sievers Forensics, which specializes in bloodstain pattern analysis training, case consultation, and research. Sievers Forensics

has assisted local and state law enforcement agencies, such as Sheriff's Offices, Medical Examiner's Office, and Florida Highway Patrol, in both case review and training courses. Her training courses in basic and advanced bloodstain pattern analysis, bloodstain documentation, and bloodstain enhancement and detection have all received IAI approval for both initial and recertification for the crime scene certifications (CCSI, CCSA, CSCSA) and bloodstain certification (CBPA).

#### **AUSTIN SIEVERS**

Austin Sievers is a former certified law enforcement officer through the State of Florida previously serving Pasco Sheriff's Office. Prior to being assigned to patrol, he was a forensic investigator with the same agency. Given his unique experience of forensics prior to certified law enforcement, he provided forensic processing training to a number of deputies both within his squad as well as the agency overall.

Austin holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Forensic Science. Currently, he serves as a trainer and consultant with Sievers Forensics, which focuses on forensic case and evidence review, as well as, providing forensic training to both academic institutions as well as law enforcement agencies.

Austin's specialty is providing the unique training of forensics for law enforcement to assist deputies and detectives in understanding evidence and processes, as well as, providing the skills to accomplish

them in the event they do not have access to a forensic unit. His goal is to ensure all entities of law enforcement have a comprehensive understanding of the role of forensics and evidence.

