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**COURSE TOPICS:**
> A Historical Perspective
> Bloodstain Pattern Taxonomy & Terminology
> Bloodstain Classification Decision Map
> Utilizing Bloodstain Patterns in the Investigation
> Blood Droplet Dynamics
> Bloodstain Documentation
> Determining Area of Origin
> Laboratory Experiments
> Stringing Method Practical

**OBJECTIVES:**
> Demonstrate knowledge of the development, history and advancement of bloodstain pattern analysis.
> Define the inherent limitations of bloodstain pattern analysis as a forensic discipline.
> Identify key bloodstain patterns using a taxonomic classification system and understand the mechanism by which they are created.
> Determine impact angles and area of origin for spatter patterns.
> Describe proper protective measures to follow in a blood stained scene.
> Demonstrate an ability to evaluate a basic bloodstain pattern scene.
> Demonstrate the ability to properly document a blood stained scene by measuring and photo documentation.

**STUDENTS SHOULD BRING:**
> Old clothing suitable for painting
> Camera
> Calculator with trig. functions

**STUDENTS WILL RECEIVE:**
> Text book Bloodstain Pattern Analysis, 3rd edition by Bevel & Gardner
> Lab manual

**STUDENTS WILL COMPLETE:**
> Ten experiments with whole blood
> Analyze multiple bloodstain patterns

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