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Forensic Anthropology for Crime Scene Investigators

Instructor: Kelly Gillis, F-ABMDI

February 12 - 14, 2018

Tuition: \$454

Location:

**Boca Raton Police Department
6500 Congress Avenue, Boca Raton, FL 33487**

Lodging:

**Hampton Inn by Hilton, 1455 Yamato Road
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Room Rate: \$182 + tax | Booking Info: Call the hotel and request the special rate.
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ABOUT TRITECH

A leader in the forensics market, Tri-Tech Forensics provides evidence collection and crime scene investigation products and training to crime labs and crime scene investigators throughout the world. With over 30 years of experience, we are the nation's most proficient developer and manufacturer of forensic kits. We are committed to providing our customers with state-of-the-art forensics products and services at affordable prices. It is our goal, through our research and development program, to continue to develop superior products and training to aid in all aspects of crime scene investigation and crime lab analysis. We know how important our products and training are to the forensics community, from investigation to prosecution. Our mission is the same as our customers – *Identify. Protect. Preserve.*

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Forensic Anthropology for Crime Scene Investigators

This is a hands-on anthropology course designed to include lecture, discussion, and workshops dealing with taphonomic changes that lead to the skeletonization process of the human body.

The lecture and discussion portion of the class will review human osteology, which is most useful in determining human bones from non-human bones, identification of bones, and determining the minimum number of individuals present in mass graves. Participants will also learn how to determine the sex, age, race, and stature in skeletal remains.

In the workshop participants will learn how to apply the discussion topics to actual bones. They will learn the ballistic effects on bone, as well as determining sharp force injury patterns.

Course Topics

- Skeletal Biology
- Skeletal Inventory
- Taphonomy
- Determining Sex of Individuals
- Determining Age at Death
- Determining Race
- Determining Stature
- Sharp Force Injuries on Bone
- Ballistic Effects on Bone
- Blunt Force Injuries
- Natural Disease Processes

COURSE INSTRUCTOR

KELLY GILLIS, F-ABMDI

Kelly is the Chief Deputy Coroner and Forensic Anthropologist at the Northampton (Pennsylvania) County Coroner's Office. She is responsible for medicolegal death investigations of any death in Northampton County that is deemed unnatural, suspicious, homicide, suicide, infant death, or the natural death of a person unattended by a physician. Determination of cause and manner of death is incumbent to this position. Some, but not all, of the duties for this position include notification to next of kin, interviewing witnesses, physicians, and/or family members, reviewing medical records, and establishing identification.

Kelly also conducts scene investigations that include collection of evidence, photographing the scene, documentation of the scene, disposition of the remains, and collaborating with law enforcement officials. The collection of evidence from human remains is an important aspect of this position and includes drawing fluids for toxicology testing, fingerprinting, collecting hair samples, and DNA samples.

As a supervisor, she is also responsible for training and maintaining the knowledge and skills for the deputy coroners in the office. Supervising approximately 15 part-time deputy coroners involves scheduling, training, communication, and performance evaluations.

Kelly has a master's degree in Anthropology from Louisiana State University. In 2010, she was responsible for performing the forensic anthropological analysis in a high profile case involving several sets of infant remains. At the request of the Coroner and the District Attorney's Office, Kelly was responsible for determining the age and any traumatic injuries for these infants.

