

East Central Illinois Mobile Law Enforcement Training Team

MTU #13

Course Announcement



40-Hour Basic Crime Scene Investigations

(Basic CSI Course)

December 14-18th, 2026

0830-1630 Hrs

Denny Stewart Training Center

3121 Dewitt Avenue

Mattoon, Il. 61938

Submit enrollment to:

Registration form at

www.mtu13.com,

COURSE DESCRIPTION: This 40 hour crime scene investigation course will provide students with basic knowledge and experience to process crime scenes and use their equipment. Numerous topics will be instructed including: legal standards, search warrants, scene preservation, photography, documentation, evidence collection, fingerprint evidence, DNA, trace evidence, ALS, footwear and other impression evidence collection. Students should bring what equipment their department provides to learn its use through hands-on training. Scene scenarios and practical exercises will be performed daily to prepare students with experience and confidence.

GOALS: The Goals of the Course are as follows

- Learn proper response to crime scenes and how to secure the scene for processing.
- Discuss legal considerations, case studies, and how to write a search warrant.
- Familiarize students with the 7-Step scene protocol.
- Learn how to document the scene and evidence through photography, measurements, and sketching.
- To obtain a working knowledge of standard CSI equipment.
- Be able to use a DSLR camera under various light conditions and capture evidential quality photos with the use of a macro lens.

Observed Mandates Include:

Civil Rights

Const. Use of LE Authority

Legal Updates

Procedural Justice

Lead Homicide Investigations



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Student Pack List:

Department Crime Scene Processing kit

DSLR camera with external flash, flash cord, shutter cord, tripod, macro lens

Any additional lenses with any additional filters

Flashlight

Any other departmental CSI equipment that you would like to bring to become more familiar with

Laptop computer to view photos

If you want to attend, but don't have the above equipment, please reach out to me, we may have certain extras or pair people up, just bring what you do have. I have an DSLR camera and tripod I'm willing to loan out for that matter.



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