

# ARIZONA FORENSIC SCIENCE ACADEMY



March 22, 2019 – May 17, 2019

The *Arizona Attorney General's Office Forensic Science Advisory Committee* is pleased to announce the next class of the **Arizona Advanced Forensic**

**Science Academy**. This interactive and innovative seminar allows prosecutors and defense attorneys to take an in-depth and detailed look into key areas of forensic science including DNA, latent prints, firearms and digital evidence. In general, the topics are covered using in-depth discussions, guest speakers, and examinations of scientific evidence from various adjudicated cases. Attendee participation is critical to the successful completion of the Academy. Some reading prior to classes may be required as the presentation will assume a basic level of understanding of each topic.

The seminar will meet every Friday, beginning March 22, 2019 for a total of 8 weeks, from 1 - 4 p.m. at the **Downtown Justice Center, 620 W. Jackson St., 5<sup>th</sup> floor, Phoenix, AZ 85003**. There will be no class on April 19. For attendees located outside of Maricopa County, participation may be done virtually through a webinar platform. Upon acceptance to the Academy, the participant will receive all details for webinar participation.

## **Topics will include:**

- ❖ DNA analysis including the following advanced topics: DNA Mixture Interpretation, Phenotyping, Genealogy, Rapid DNA & Probabilistic Genotyping
- ❖ Firearms and the Crime Gun Intelligence Center approach
- ❖ Latent Print Comparative Analysis
- ❖ Digital Evidence and Cell Tower Data
- ❖ Guest speakers from industry leaders in research and development, practitioners, and legal experts
- ❖ Ethical considerations for presentation of forensic science expert testimony

The cost for the course is \$300.00, and includes all course materials. The seminar may qualify for up to 24 hours of CLE credit including one hour of ethics. Applicants may choose to virtually attend any individual session for \$75.00.

All interested attorneys are invited to apply, but preference will be given to those who have been practicing for more than 3 years, and who have conducted at least ten felony jury trials which have included expert witness testimony in DNA, firearms, and/or latent prints. Although not required, attendance at the Arizona Forensic Science Basic Academy will be considered. **Applications must be submitted electronically to [ForSci@azag.gov](mailto:ForSci@azag.gov) by February 15, 2019.** You will be notified whether you have been accepted for the course by March 1, 2019. Tuition will be due on March 11, 2019.