

**EDISON COLLEGE
ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE DEGREE**

CRIME SCENE TECHNOLOGY

The Associate in Science Degree in Crime Scene Technology is designed to prepare students for employment in the various fields related to crime scene investigation. The Crime Scene Technician locates, preserves, develops, collects, analyzes, and presents physical evidence relating to the scene of a crime. The program provides students with the necessary skills to accurately map out, collect and log evidence, develop and preserve fingerprints, write reports, and present courtroom testimony. Although most crime scene technicians in Southwest Florida are law enforcement certified, more agencies are beginning to use civilians in this position. Job opportunities are enhanced with the ability to relocate.

The nature of crime scene investigation can require physical activity. Students enrolled in the Crime Scene Technology program must be physically able to go into, under, on top of, and through many different environmental scenes. The employment process may include an extensive background investigation. A prior criminal history may strongly inhibit employment opportunities in this field. Potential employers may require Some or all of the following criteria as part of their employment process:

- Physical Agility
- Background investigations
- Drug Screening
- Oral Board Interview
- Polygraph and/or Voice Stress Analysis
- Physical Examination
- Minimum Age Requirement
- U.S. Citizenship

