

# Fatal Fire Investigation

## Instructor:

**Scott Campau** graduated from Michigan State University (MSU) with a Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice and holds a Master's Degree in Forensic Science with focus on Investigations. Scott began a career in the fire service in 2002. In 2014 he became a Law Enforcement Officer and promoted to Fire Investigator. Since then, he has investigated 550+ fires in both public and private investigations.

In 2008 he began working as a Medical Examiner Investigator and has investigated 1000+ deaths including deployments to New York City and Lahaina wildfires with the federal Victim Information Center team.

Scott's professional goal is to become a subject matter expert in fatal fire investigations and share this knowledge through instruction, consulting, and investigating.

## Target Audience:

The Material is Relevant to Public Fire Investigators, Law Enforcement Officers, The Forensic Medical Community, Crime Scene Technicians and Similar Fields.

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# Seminar Agenda

## Course Overview:

Investigating a fire fatality is one of the most complex and demanding scenes the investigator will encounter. A fatality at the scene of a fire introduces multiple new challenges to the investigation. Due in part to the relative infrequency fire fatalities are encountered, as well as the extra scrutiny and pressure accompanied with the fatality, these scenes can produce unnecessary stress. This course will help the investigator prepare for fire fatality scenes through proper preplanning, scene management and follow up.

In addition, the fire investigator will most likely be investigating the scene with a Medical Examiner/Coroner Investigator, Police Department detective and possibly other entities. Understanding each other's roles will facilitate a better, more thorough, and well-run investigation.

Over the two-day course participants will be taught, through real life examples, methodology that will provide them with the skills and knowledge to prepare for and manage a fire scene involving fatalities.

### This Presentation Is Designed To:

- 1) Increase the Investigators Skill in Scene Processing, Evidence Collection and Working Around the Body
- 2) Learn Roles and Responsibilities of the Multiple Agencies Involved
- 3) Explain Fire Effects on The Body and The Body's Role in Fires
- 4) Help the Investigator Prepare for These Events Through Preplanning, Crew Training and Establishing Relationships

### Outline:

The Team Approach to Fatal Fire Investigations

Legal Issues

Crew Training

Fire Effects on The Body

Evidence Handling and Processing

Scene Processing

Unique Scenes, Mass Fatality, Child Deaths, Vehicle Accidents and Among Others

The Autopsy and Working with The Medical Examiner/Coroners Office

And Much More!

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## Tuesday, October 29, 2024

8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	<b>Registration</b>
8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Case Review, Role and Responsibilities and Introduction to Forensic Medical Community
9:30a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Fire Effects and The Body
10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Fire Crew Training
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	<b>Lunch (On Your Own)</b>
12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Legal Issues
1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Scene Etiquette, Safety, Arrival and Scene Concerns
2:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Scene Processing

## Wednesday, October 30, 2024

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Scene Processing
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Moving The Body and Autopsy
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Documentation, Report Writing and OME Reports/Toxicology
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	<b>Lunch (On Your Own)</b>
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Unique Scenes (Mass Fatality, Child, Crime Concealment and Vehicle Fires)
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Unique Scenes (Mass Fatality, Child, Crime Concealment and Vehicle Fires)
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Junk Science/Fire Death Myths
3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Review/Questions & Answers/Test
4:00 p.m.	<b>Certificate Presentation</b>

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**Seminar Title:** Fatal Fire Investigation

**Instructor:** Scott Campau

**Seminar Location:** South Texas College Regional Center for Public Safety Excellence  
3901 South Cage Blvd  
Pharr, Texas 78577

**When:** October 29 & 30, 2024

**Registration Time:** 8:00 a.m. (October 29, 2024)

**Hotel Reservations:** Drury Inn & Suites McAllen  
300 West Expressway 83  
McAllen, Texas 78501  
1-800-325-0720  
\$107.00 2 Queen Beds (plus tax)

**Registration Fee** \$295.00 Includes Fatal Fire Investigation, **Printed Training Manual** and Certificate of Completion.

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