

Curriculum Vita
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Education

2003 – 2009 John Jay College MS Forensic Science

1998 – 2002 Cornell University BS Biological Science
Magna Cum Laude

Employment and Experience

2008 – Present Research Microscopist
Microtrace, LLC, Elgin, IL

- Perform microscopical, microchemical, and instrumental analysis on physical evidence

2006 – 2008 Microscopist
Microtrace, LLC, Elgin, IL

- Perform microscopical, microchemical, and instrumental analysis on physical evidence

2005 – 2006 Assistant Consultant
Forensic Consultants, Ardsley, NY

- Assisted Dr. Peter De Forest and Peter Diaczuk with consulting casework

2004 – 2006 Laboratory Instructor
John Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York, NY

- Instructed undergraduate and graduate students in the advanced criminalistics laboratory

2004 Summer Intern
NYPD Crime Scene Unit, Jamaica, NY

- Assisted NYPD detectives and police officers with crime scene investigations

- 2004 Laboratory Technician
John Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York, NY
- Worked as lab tech for undergraduate biology laboratory
- 2002 Research Technician
Cornell University, Ithaca, NY
- Worked with Dr. David Lin on research project concerning development of olfactory nervous system in mice (*Mus musculus*)
- 2000 Research Assistant
Cornell University, Ithaca, NY
- Worked with Dr. Linda Rayor on NSF funded research concerning the behavioral response of predatory wasps to chemically defended caterpillars

Courses Taught

- 2009 Methods in Stereomicroscopy (with Christopher Palenik)
Customized class
Rockville, MD

Additional Training

- 03 – 04 Mar 2009 NORAN System SIX EDS Training
Microtrace, Elgin, IL.
Instructor: David West
- 21 – 23 Oct 2008 Scanning Electron Microscope Operations
The JEOL Institute, Pleasanton, CA.
Instructor: A. Regina Campbell
- 8 – 12 Sep 2008 Special Methods in Forensic Microscopy
McCrone Research Institute, Chicago, IL.
Instructor: Skip Palenik
- 15 Mar 2008 Hair Microscopy Workshop
McCrone Associates, Westmont, IL.
Instructor: Dick Bisbing
- 09 Nov 2007 Microscopic Wood Anatomy Workshop
Microtrace, Elgin, IL.
Instructor: Regis Miller

01 – 05 Oct 2007	Microchemical Methods McCrone Research Institute, Chicago, IL. Instructor: Skip Palenik
28 – 29 Sep 2007	Microscopy of Heavy Minerals Workshop Microtrace, Elgin, IL. Instructor: Maria Mange
07 Sep 2007	Concrete Petrography Workshop Microtrace, Elgin, IL. Instructor: Don Campbell
06 – 10 Aug 2007	Forensic Paint Microscopy and Microanalysis McCrone Research Institute, Chicago, IL. Instructor: Skip Palenik
18 – 20 Jul 2007	Fluorescence Microscopy McCrone Research Institute, Chicago, IL. Instructor: Steven Ruzin, Ph. D.
15 – 16 Jun 2007	Microscopy of Heavy Minerals Workshop Microtrace, Elgin, IL. Instructor: Maria Mange
24 – 25 May 2007	Microtomy Workshop McCrone Research Institute, Chicago, IL. Instructor: Hazel Bales
19 May 2007	Microscopy of Exotic Woods Workshop McCrone Research Institute, Chicago, IL. Instructor: Walter Rantanen
11 May 2007	Microscopic Wood Anatomy Workshop Microtrace, Elgin, IL. Instructor: Regis Miller
30 Apr – 04 May 2007	Forensic Paint Examination and Comparison Michigan State Police Forensic Laboratory, Lansing, MI. Instructor: Scott Ryland
19 – 23 Mar 2007	Comparative Microscopy of Soils McCrone Research Institute, Chicago, IL. Instructor: Skip Palenik

Conferences Attended

Midwestern Association of Forensic Sciences 37th Annual Meeting. Sep 28 – Oct 03, 2008.
Des Moines, IA.

INTER/MICRO 60th Annual Meeting. July 7-11, 2008
Chicago, IL.

Council of International Investigators 53rd Annual General Meeting. August 17, 2007
Chicago, IL.
Panel Member: *The Capabilities and Limitations of Forensic Evidence*

INTER/MICRO 59th Annual Meeting. July 9-13, 2007
Chicago, IL.

American Academy of Forensic Sciences 58th Annual Meeting. February 20-25, 2006
Seattle, WA.

American Academy of Forensic Sciences 57th Annual Meeting. February 21-26, 2005
New Orleans, LA.

Northeastern Association of Forensic Scientists 30th Annual Meeting. October 1-3, 2004
Mystic, CT.

Second Annual Forensic Science Symposium. March 20, 2004
Allentown PA.