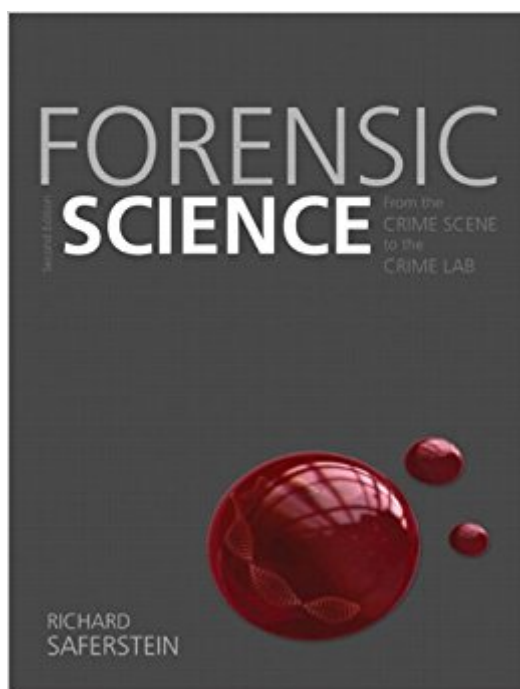


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Forensic Science: From the Crime Scene to the Crime Lab, Second Edition, is designed to present forensic science in a straightforward and student-friendly format. Ideal for students with limited background in the sciences, topics are arranged to integrate scientific methodology with actual forensic applications. Discussions are focused on explaining state-of-the-art technology without delving into extraneous theories that may bore or overwhelm non-science students. Only the most relevant scientific and technological concepts are presented, keeping students focused on the practical knowledge theyâ™ need in the field.

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"Richard Saferstein, Ph.D.," retired in 1991 after serving 21 years as the Chief Forensic Scientist of the New Jersey State Police Laboratory, one of the largest crime laboratories in the United States. He currently acts as a consultant for attorneys and the media in the area of forensic science. During the O. J. Simpson criminal trial, Dr. Saferstein provided extensive commentary on forensic aspects of the case for the "Rivera Live" show, the E! television network, ABC radio, and various radio talk shows. Dr. Saferstein holds degrees from the City College of New York and earned his doctorate degree in chemistry in 1970 from the City University of New York. From 1972 to 1991, he taught an introductory forensic science course in the criminal justice programs at the College of New Jersey and Ocean County College. These teaching experiences played an influential role in Dr. Saferstein's authorship in 1977 of the widely used introductory textbook "Criminalistics: An

Introduction to Forensic Science," currently in this eighth edition. Saferstein's basic philosophy in writing Criminalistics is to make forensic science understandable and meaningful to the nonscience reader, while giving the reader an appreciation for the scientific principles that underlie the subject. Dr. Saferstein currently teaches a course on the role of the expert witness in the courtroom at the law school of Widener University in Wilmington, Delaware. He has authored or co-authored more than 35 technical papers covering a variety of forensic topics. Dr. Saferstein has co-authored "Lab Manual for Criminalistics" (Prentice Hall, 2004) to be used in conjunction with this text. He has also edited the widely used professional reference books "Forensic Science Handbook," Volume I, second edition (Prentice Hall, 2002) and "Forensic Science Handbook," Volumes II and III (Prentice Hall, 1988, 1993). Dr. Saferstein is a member of the American Chemical Society, the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, the Forensic Science Society of England, the Canadian Society of Forensic Scientists, the International Association for Identification, the Mid-Atlantic Association of Forensic Scientists, the Northeastern Association of Forensic Scientists, the Northwestern Association of Forensic Scientists, and the Society of Forensic Toxicologists.

I bought this book for my Intro to Forensic Science class this semester. Unlike some of my other required textbooks, this one is easy to understand and has interesting information and real stories. As a bonus, the answers to the chapter questions are in the back of the book in case you want to double-check the answers for studying purposes.

I bought this book for a class I'm taking. Saferstein is the best FS book out there for Basic Crime Scene education. The information is laid out in an intelligent & easy to follow manner. My biggest complaint is that it is in a softcover/paperback format. I am 4 weeks into the course and the cover is already dinged-up and damaged. Why don't they make hardback textbooks anymore? I would gladly pay the extra money for a book that lasts.

Richard is an outstanding scholar in my field. I think that this book might be more useful to students who have already had a more basic course in forensic science. However this outstanding work can easily be broken down as the required text useful for a number of courses. Congratulations to Richard  
Regards  
Vincent P. Cookingham, Ph.D.

I loved this textbook. I purchased this textbook for an "Intro to Forensic Science" class and learned so much useful things. True, not being a medical sciences major has a disadvantage, as some of

the more technical (medical or chemistry) information went a bit over my head, but I largely was able to digest and acquire a great deals of learning through it. It's definitely worth the price and I can recommend it based on the large amount of scientific and medical information it contains. Enjoy!

The book is serving it's purpose although it was delivered without a cover.

I adored this Forensic class, especially love the in-class with Prof. Madden @ PGCC Fall 2015 whereby I aced the class.

I am not a student but I am interested in criminology/forensic science/criminal psychology and bought this book as a reference, a purpose it serves well.

This book was for a class I'm taking. The book is well written and has good details. It is NOT for young people. There are some disturbing pictures in it but they relate to the text. It is forensic's and it's not always pretty to look at.

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