

Erika Ramadan began her law enforcement career in 2008 as a federal agent with the United States Border Patrol. While she learned vital investigative skills as an agent, her true passion lay in forensic science. In 2010, she accepted a forensic specialist position at a large law enforcement agency in Los Angeles, where she remained for thirteen years. During this time, she responded to hundreds of crime scenes, mostly homicides and deputy/officer-involved shootings, and lifted and compared thousands of fingerprints as a latent print examiner. From 2013-2017, she taught a crime scene investigation training program at this agency to newly hired forensic specialists; this program encompassed both classroom and hands-on instruction and real-world training at actual crime scenes. As her career evolved, she focused on inspiring and educating new hires via her role as a supervising forensic specialist.

In 2023, she accepted the position of Property and Crime Laboratory Manager at another law enforcement agency, where she oversees the property and evidence unit and the crime lab. She received a Master of Forensic Science degree with a concentration in Crime Scene Investigation from George Washington University in 2007. Previously, she obtained her bachelor's degree in criminology and anthropology with a minor in biology from the University of Miami. She continues her training to stay relevant in forensic science and teach the latest techniques. She is certified by the International Association for Identification as a crime scene investigator, most recently recertifying in 2023. Her love for forensic science is palpable, and she enjoys giving back to the community as an instructor for the crime scene investigation track within the forensic specialist certificate program at California State University, Los Angeles.