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# MEDIA RELEASE

## Carson Dunlop Partners with Minnesota State College–Southeast Technical

Carson Dunlop Home Inspection Training program now offered by Minnesota State College-Southeast Technical

**Des Plaines, IL (Sept 11, 2012),** Carson Dunlop and Minnesota State College–Southeast Technical have formed a strategic partnership to offer a career home inspection training program. The comprehensive 10-course certificate program is available through distance learning. Content is delivered in a highly visual and easy to understand format. The program is focused on practical applied technical knowledge, providing a solid foundation for success in the home inspection field.

The comprehensive education program covering all aspects of the home inspection profession was created by two leaders in the field – Carson Dunlop and the American Society of Home Inspectors. The 10 courses were developed in collaboration with education design consultants and distance education specialists.

"We are thrilled to be working in partnership with Minnesota State College-Southeast Technical" commented Alan Carson, President of Carson Dunlop. The ability to offer our program through a reputable College creates new opportunities for individuals looking to pursue a career in the home inspection field."

"The partnership enhances Minnesota State College–Southeast Technical's ability to offer quality, relevant continuing education to our students. The new courses will broaden the variety of topics currently available at the college. We are proud of our contribution to the region's economic vitality and the strong partnerships in business, industry and communities we serve." said Calli Ekblad, Director of Business Relations.

The education program leverages Carson Dunlop's 34 years as a leading consulting engineering firm in the home inspection field. Carson Dunlop has considerable experience on the education side of home inspection, including classroom teaching, published textbooks, online courses, conference presentations, webinars, papers and articles. The program uses a consistent methodology across the 10 textbooks and CD-ROMs. The focus is on practical applied knowledge rather than theoretical discussion. As part of the education program, Carson Dunlop provides students with free access to their cloud-based report writing system, Horizon, to help them develop the necessary report writing skills.

For more information about the Home Inspection training program now offered by Minnesota State College–Southeast Technical, please visit <u>www.southeastmn.edu/continue\_education/index.aspx</u>

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## About Minnesota State College–Southeast Technical

Minnesota State College-Southeast Technical is dedicated to providing education for employment, skill enhancement, and retraining. The primary focus is to anticipate and meet the educational and training needs of students and employers.

Southeast Technical provides students with a strong foundation of general and technical education opportunities for acquiring knowledge, skills, and attitudes for a lifetime of learning. The college anticipates and responds to global, technological, and social changes.

Southeast Technical provides equal opportunity and recognizes individual needs in its education, service, and employment practices. Certificates, Diplomas, Associate in Science and Associate in Applied Science Degrees are awarded upon successful completion.

### **About Carson Dunlop**

Carson, Dunlop & Associates Ltd. has been a leading Consulting Engineering Firm devoted to building inspection since 1978. They are one of the largest independent home inspection companies in North America that leverages their extensive technical knowledge across six integrated business lines - Home Inspection, Commercial Inspection, Report Writing, Energy Audits, Home Inspector Training and Continuing Education.

### **About Carson Dunlop Home Inspection Training**

Carson Dunlop launched the Home Inspection Training division in 1990 to provide high quality education to new professionals entering the home inspection industry. The Home Inspection program was developed with education design consultants, and distance education specialists from Memorial University to create a uniquely comprehensive home inspection program. The courses can be taken in a self-study format from Carson Dunlop and are also offered in classroom and distance education formats by more than 20 colleges and universities.

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