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Carson Dunlop Partners with Cuyahoga Community College

Carson Dunlop Home Inspection Training program now offered by Cuyahoga Community College in Cleveland, Ohio

Des Plaines, IL (May 23rd, 2013), Carson Dunlop and Cuyahoga Community College (Tri-C®) 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 Cuyahoga Community College," commented Alan Carson, president of Carson Dunlop. "The ability to offer our program through reputable colleges creates new opportunities for individuals looking to pursue a career in the home inspection field."

"The partnership enhances Cuyahoga Community College'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. Strong community partnerships, customized employer training and other workforce development initiatives continue to be top priorities for the College through collaboration with business and community organizations," said Chandra Dennis, Tri-C online education coordinator.

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 in 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 6 months free access to their **cloud-based report**

<u>writing system, Horizon</u> when students graduate, to help them develop the necessary report writing skills.

For more information about the Home Inspection training program now offered by Cuyahoga Community College, visit www.tri-c.edu/workforce/onlinesolutions.

About Cuyahoga Community College

Cuyahoga Community College (Tri-C) opened in 1963 as Ohio's first community college and remains Ohio's oldest and largest public community college. For 50 years, Tri-C has provided high quality, affordable education and programs to more than 900,000 members of the community.

Each semester Tri-C offers more than 1,000 credit courses in more than 140 career and technical programs and liberal arts curricula. More than 600 non-credit workforce and professional development courses are offered each year. The College serves more than 52,000 credit and non-credit students annually. Tri-C has a robust online learning program, as well as traditional class offerings at campuses throughout the county.

The College ranks 1st in Ohio and 45th in the nation in conferring associate degrees - all disciplines.

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 50 colleges and universities.

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