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## MEDIA RELEASE

# Carson Dunlop Partners with Florida Keys Community College

Carson Dunlop Home Inspection Training program now offered by Florida Keys Community College in Key West, Florida

Des Plaines, IL (June 19th, 2013), Carson Dunlop and Florida Keys Community College 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 Florida Keys 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 Florida Keys Community College 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 Cathy Torres – Director, Community Education, Workforce and Testing

The education program leverages Carson Dunlop's 35 years as a leading consulting engineering firm in the home inspection field. Carson Dunlop have 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 6 month free access to their <u>cloud-based report writing system, Horizon</u> when students graduate, to help them develop the necessary report writing skills.

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For more information about the Home Inspection training program now offered by Florida Keys Community College in Key West, Florida Please visit http://www.fkcc.edu/current-students/continuing-ed-online.da

#### About Florida Keys Community College

Florida Keys Community College is an open-access, educational institution dedicated to serving the intellectual, diverse, cultural, and occupational needs of the Florida Keys as well as the global community. The college is committed to student-centric academic programs and services, workforce development, continuing education, diverse partnerships, electronically delivered instruction, and sustainable practices that prepare students for personal success and responsible citizenship.

The Office of Community Education, Workforce and Testing offers a wide range of noncredit classes and seminars designed to help you fulfill your potential—both personally and professionally. A variety of classes are offered for professional growth to prepare, update, or refine employment skills.

### 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 <u>Home Inspection Training</u> 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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