

Forensics

Department of Sociology, Human Services/Social Work and Criminal Justice, Ellis College of Arts and Sciences

Required Number of Hours: 13

Description of certificate: (Include an introductory paragraph and certificate plan of study.)

The Certificate in Forensics enhances career opportunities in law enforcement, the courts and corrections, psychology, chemistry and computer sciences. This certificate may be coupled with your major and minor to provide you with additional education that can lead to greater responsibility, career advancement and income growth.

Core Required Courses (10 hours)

CRJ 2023. Criminal Evidence or CRJ 3235. Criminal Forensic Science

PSY 3333. Forensic Psychology

CHM 2234. Introduction to Forensic Science

Directed Electives (3 hours)

CRJ 3513. Due Process and Criminal Procedure

CR] 2123. Introduction to Criminology

ANY 2023. Introduction to Physical Anthropology and Archeology

Student Learning Outcomes:

- Explain the role of crime scene evidence by type in building a strong criminal case,
- Describe the role of law enforcement officers in relation to the role of the prosecutor,
- Explain what is required to admit crucial evidence in court,

- Articulate an understanding of being prepared to testify and establish credibility and impeach witnesses,
- Describe crime scene concepts of evidence,
- Know the role of ethics in gathering and use of evidence,
- Be aware of issues of diversity, including but not limited to gender, race, ethnic, cultural, and class issues, in the administration of criminal justice,
- Demonstrate knowledge of criminal evidentiary procedure and law.
- Maintain a minimum Student GPA of 2.0/4.0 scale and/or performance in required and elective course sequence in the program.

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