

Forensic Studies

Division of Social Sciences

- **Minor: 22 credit hours**
- **Minor GPA required for graduation: 2.50**

Description of Minor: The forensic studies minor can be focused in chemistry, psychology, sociology, or other disciplines. The forensic studies minor would be beneficial to students in any major interested in graduate work or careers related to forensics or crime.

Students wishing to pursue graduate work or advanced study should research the requirements and prerequisites for their desired programs early enough to ensure that additional coursework can be added, if needed. This minor is intended to provide an introduction, but additional courses will be required for admission to specific graduate programs.

Relevant internship hours may be substituted for three credit hours of the minor.

Student Learning Outcomes

Students will:

- Know the wide-ranging academic disciplines that make up forensic studies.
- Analyze academic questions within forensic studies using the approaches of disciplines in the field.
- Apply the approaches of academic disciplines within forensic studies to theoretical investigations of specific cases.
- Know how forensic scientists use scientific evidence in a legal context.

To minor in forensic studies, no more than two courses can be taken from any one discipline.

FORENSIC STUDIES MINOR REQUIREMENTS 22 crs.

CHE 100	GENERAL CHEMISTRY FUNDAMENTALS	3
FOR 101	FORENSIC STUDIES CORNERSTONE	1
PSY 153	INTRODUCTION TO PSYCHOLOGY	3
PSY 305	FORENSIC PSYCHOLOGY	3
SOC 170	INTRODUCTION TO CRIMINAL JUSTICE	3

THREE COURSES FROM THE FOLLOWING

CSI 369	SOCIAL, LEGAL, AND ETHICAL ISSUES OF COMPUTING (W)	3
PSY 275	BIOPSYCHOLOGY	3
PSY 315	ABNORMAL PSYCHOLOGY	3
PSY 370	PSYCHOLOGY OF HUMAN SEXUALITY	3
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SOC 401	SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY	3
SOC 150	INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY	3
SOC 220	JUVENILE DELINQUENCY	3
SOC 230	POLICE AND URBAN SOCIETY	3
SOC 371	SOCIOLOGY OF DEVIANCE	3

Forensic Studies (FOR)

FOR 101 **1****FORENSIC STUDIES CORNERSTONE**

This course is an introduction to forensic studies. An overview of the field, subfields, and career opportunities will be provided. The course will include engaging teaching activities such as guest speakers, case studies, and discussion.

FOR 280-289 **1-4****SPECIAL TOPICS IN FORENSIC STUDIES****FOR 380-389** **1-4****SPECIAL TOPICS IN FORENSIC STUDIES**