MINOR IN FORENSIC SCIENCE

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18 Credits Required

This interdisciplinary minor provides an introduction to the field of forensic science and is meant to present a broad, integrated view of its various sub-disciplines. The forensic science minor addresses topics such as crime scene documentation and reconstruction, criminalistics, and DNA analysis. The minor is composed of courses in anthropology, biology, chemistry, psychology, and sociology, reflecting the interdisciplinary nature of forensic science. Students benefit from this interdisciplinary approach and draw connections among the diverse course offerings to gain a comprehensive introduction to the forensic sciences.

This interdisciplinary minor helps students prepare themselves for careers in criminal justice, law, government, and academia, among other areas. Students considering the forensic science minor should consult with the minor coordinator and complete a declaration form. The minor is jointly sponsored by the Anthropology, Biology, Chemistry, Psychology, and Sociology Departments.

Required:
ANT 252 — Introduction to Forensic Science

Select five courses from:

• ANT 322 — Forensic Anthropology  
• ANT 352 — Crime Scene Investigation  
• ANT 442 — Advanced Forensic Anthropology  
• BIO 205 — Forensic Biology  
• CHE 103 — Crime Scene Chemistry  
• PSY 492 — Psychology and Law  
• SOC 362 — Criminology