

Master of Forensic Science

Nebraska Wesleyan University offers a 42-credit-hour forensic science program through which graduate students may earn a Master of Forensic Science (MFS). The first year curriculum focuses on giving graduate students a broad-based knowledge of the forensic sciences. Over the next summer, they complete a two-week internship with a medical examiner or coroner.

During the second year, students choose between two tracks of specialization. They also participate in a yearlong crime scene investigation that counts for two credits. The last class for most students is "Forensic Science 599". This course involves research and internship work relevant to students' individual interests and concentrations.

For most students, the program takes two and a half years to complete.

Investigative Science Track

The investigative science track provides coursework in:

- crime scene investigation
- death investigation
- forensic science methods
- human remains location and recovery
- fingerprint comparison
- document analysis.

Behavioral Science Track

The behavioral science track provides coursework in:

- crime scene investigation
- death investigation
- forensic science methods
- criminal investigative analysis.

Departments/Programs:

Forensic Science

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| Core Courses | 16 hrs. |
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| FORSC-505 | FORSC-505 |
| FORSC-506 | FORSC-506 |
| FORSC-507 | FORSC-507 |
| FORSC-508 | FORSC-508 |
| FORSC-509 | FORSC-509 |
| FORSC-597 | FORSC-597 |

Forensic Science Specialty Area Courses

| Behavioral Science Courses | | 27 hrs. |
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| FORSC-515 | | FORSC-515 |
| FORSC-516 | | FORSC-516 |
| FORSC-530 | | FORSC-530 |
| FORSC-532 | | FORSC-532 |
| FORSC-533 | | FORSC-533 |
| FORSC-534 | | FORSC-534 |
| FORSC-599 | | FORSC-599 |

| Investigative Science | | 24 hrs. |
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| FORSC-515 | | FORSC-515 |
| FORSC-516 | | FORSC-516 |
| FORSC-522 | | FORSC-522 |
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| FORSC-524 | | FORSC-524 |
| FORSC-521 | | FORSC-521 |
| FORSC-599 | | FORSC-599 |

Elective Seminars

| 2 credits required for MFS | | |
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| 590 Ballistics: Trajectory Analysis | | 1 hr. |
| FORSC-579 | | FORSC-579 |
| FORSC-574 | | FORSC-574 |
| FORSC-577 | | FORSC-577 |
| FORSC 590 Crime Scene Imaging | | 1 hr. |
| FORSC 590 Trace and DNA Evidence: Recognition, Collection & Analysis | | 1 hr. |
| FORSC 590 Fire Scene Investigations | | 1 hr. |