

Nebraska Wesleyan University

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FORSC 276 Forensic Anthropology

1 hours

Departments/Programs:

Forensic Science

The course will cover the basics of forensic anthropology with the goal of teaching the students the difference between human and non-human skeletal characteristics, and what can be expected of a forensic anthropologist. Basic techniques for determining age, sex, stature, and ancestry will be discussed, and examples of non-metric osteological variation, pathology, and trauma will be shown. The course will show how a basic forensic anthropological examination is complementary to DNA analysis for identification of the deceased, and what should be expected in a forensic anthropological report.