



Get the skills you need for laboratory leadership

The Professional Science Masters (PSM) in Forensic Science program is designed to advance students' forensic science knowledge and provide the necessary administrative skills related to managing forensic organizations.

The program provides a cutting-edge curriculum with coursework in management designed to provide professional development opportunities. Twenty-four credits focus on technical forensic science content and 9 credits on professional business content, totaling 33 credits. Students progress through the program as a coordinated, scheduled cohort.

Ideal candidates are professionals with a life science degree, currently working in federal, state or private forensic organizations, medical examiner's offices, or law enforcement agencies looking to advance their career in forensic science management.

Fast Facts

- 16-month cohort-based program
- Online learning for maximum flexibility
- Multidisciplinary/interdisciplinary courses to make students competitive on job market
- Develops professional skills: communication, expert testimony, forensic science, leadership, business and management

While graduates of forensic science programs tend to be prepared with scientific skills, they may lack the practical experience and critical thinking skills necessary to be ready to provide immediate support in the laboratory upon hiring. There is a need to bridge the gap between the goals of the academic programs and those of the forensic laboratories.

–National Institute of Justice Report to Congress for Needs Assessments of
Forensics Laboratories and Medical Examiner/Coroner Offices

Professional Science Master's in Forensic Science

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Learning how to run a forensic science organization affects the work of all its scientists. It's critical to learn those skills.

–Max Houck, Ph.D., Graduate Program Director, Professional Science Masters in Forensic Science



The PSM-FS program equips professionals with real world experiences and prepares them for the future by introducing state-of-the-art instrumentation and techniques.

–Anamary Tarifa, Ph.D., Research Assistant Professor

About

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