

The Ohio State University  
College of Arts and Sciences

Forensic Science (FORSCI-MN)

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The minor in Forensic Science emphasizes the broad interdisciplinary nature of the field, giving students an understanding of the basic issues and applications with regards to the law. The minor requires a minimum of 15 total credit hours. At least six credit hours need to be at the 3000 level or above. Students must complete ANTHROP 3211, ANTHROP 3504, at least two core classes, and then electives bringing the total in the minor to at least 15 hours. Electives are selected from over 30 courses offered in ten departments. Students are not required to declare the minor, but they are encouraged to meet with the Forensic Science minor advisors located in Department of Anthropology (Smith Laboratory).

**Required Courses**

Anthropology 3211 (3)  
Anthropology 3504 (3)

**Core Courses (Choose at least two of the following)\***

ANTHROP 3305 (3)  
ANTHROP 5607 (3)  
ANTHROP 5610 (3)  
ANTHROP 5644 (3)  
PHR 2400 (3) PSYCH 4485 (3)  
SOCIOLOG 2209 (3)

\*NB: Courses not used to complete core requirements can be used as electives

**Elective Courses**

The remaining credit hours yielding at least 15 total hours for the minor may be chosen from any of the electives below. In addition, courses not used to complete core requirements may serve as electives.

ANTHROP 3305 (3)  
ANTHROP 5607 (3)  
ANTHROP 5608 (3)  
ANTHROP 5609 (3)  
ANTHROP 5610 (3)  
ANTHROP 5644 (3)  
ANTHROP 5686 (3)  
CHEM 2210 (5)  
CHEM 4870 (3)  
CHEM 4880 (2)  
CSE 4471 (3)  
ENTMLGY 4000 (3)  
ENTMLGY 4606 (2)  
MEDLBS 5300 (5)  
MEDLBS 5400 (1.5)  
MOLGEN 4500/4500H (3)  
MOLGEN 4606 (4)  
MOLGEN 5607 (3)  
MOLGEN 5608 (3)  
MOLGEN 5650 (3)  
BIOPHRM 5600 (3)  
PHR 2400 (3)  
PSYCH 4485 (3)  
PSYCH 4511 (3)  
PSYCH 5684 (3)  
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SOCIOLOG 2209 (3)  
SOCIOLOG 2210 (3)  
SOCIOLOG 2310 (3)  
SOCIOLOG 3410/3410H (3)  
SOCIOLOG 4507 (3)  
SPHHRNG 3320 (3)  
SPHHRNG 4420 (3)

**Forensic Science minor program guidelines**

Credit hours required: A minimum of 15 credit hrs. 1000 level courses shall not be counted in the minor. At least 6 credit hrs must be at the 3000-level or above.

Transfer and EM credit hours allowed: A student is permitted to count up to 6 total hours of transfer credit and/or credit by examination.

Overlap with the GE: A student is permitted to overlap up to 6 credit hours between the GE and the minor.

Overlap with the major and additional minor(s):

- Students may pair the Forensic Science Minor with any major including Anthropology and Anthropological Sciences.
- The minor must contain a minimum of 12 hours distinct from the major and/or additional minor(s).

Grades required:

- Minimum C- for a course to be listed on the minor.
- Minimum 2.00 cumulative GPA for all minor course work.
- Course work graded Pass/Non-Pass cannot count on the minor.
- No more than 3 credit hours of course graded Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory may count toward the minor.

X193 credits: No more than 3 credit hours.

Minor approval: Approval of the Forensic Science minor program is required only in the case of exceptions to normal requirements. In such cases, students should request approval from the forensic science minor advisor in the Department of Anthropology.

Filing the minor program form: The minor program form must be filed at least by the time the graduation application is submitted to a college/school advisor.

Changing the minor: Once the minor program is filed in the college office, any changes must be approved by the forensic advisor in the Department of Anthropology.

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