FORENSIC SCIENCE CERTIFICATE

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The forensic science certificate is a multidisciplinary certificate that seeks to cultivate leadership skills in the application of science to the legal system. Students in this program will gain professional competencies developed through course work that includes presentations to moot court settings, and lab work. Students who complete this certificate will:

- 1. Demonstrate an understanding of the criminal justice system, including its key stages and processes.
- 2. Apply the scientific method to the collection, processing, analyses, and evaluation of evidence.
- 3. Interpret forensic evidence and its role in the criminal justice system.

How? Here are the steps:

- 1. Sign-Up: Tell you academic advisor you wish to add this certificate program to your degree and Academic Advising Report.
- 2. Take 5: See the check sheet below to complete the key five courses, and ensure you have the unique requirement met.

Check Sheet:

REQUIRED COURSES (15 units)

- _____ BIOLOGY 225 Science of Forensic Analysis OR GEOGRPY 270 GIS I: Mapping Our World
- _____ CRIMJUS 321 Criminal Investigation
- _____ CRIMJUS 325 Forensic Documentation
- _____ CRIMJUS 425 Advanced Forensic Anthropology: Bioarchaeology, Trauma & Pathology
- _____ CRIMJUS 322 Criminal Investigation of Child Abuse <u>OR</u> CRIMJUS 329 Investigation of Death

UNIQUE REQUIREMENTS

1. Select one of the following:

- _____ CHEM 100 Everyday Chemistry
- _____ CHEM 102 General Chemistry I
- _____ BIOLOGY 120 Biological Foundations
- _____ BIOLOGY 141 Introductory Biology I
- 2. A second lab science course (you may choose from the list above).

When you finish these requirements, contact the Sociology, Criminology & Anthropology Department to have your paper certificate of completion mailed to you.