



**Bachelor of Science**  
**Forensic Science**  
**Forensic Investigation Emphasis**  
 124 credits  
 2025

**College:** College of Health and Public Service  
**Department:** Criminal Justice/Law Enforcement  
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<b>General Education Requirements:</b>					<b>34 Credits</b>
and/or	Prefix	Number	Course Title	Credits	Prerequisite(s)
	ENGL	1010	Introduction to Writing	3	*see catalog
	ENGL	2010	Intermediate Writing	3	ENGL 1010 with a grade of "C-" or better
<i>Complete one of the following:</i>					
	MATH	1080	Precalculus	5	*see catalog
	MATH	1050	College Algebra	4	
and	MATH	1060	Trigonometry	3	
<i>Complete one of the following:</i>					
	HIST	1700	American Civilization	3	
	HIST	1740	US Economic History	3	
	POLS	1000	American Heritage	3	
	POLS	1100	American National Government	3	
<i>Distribution Courses - Complete the following:</i>					
	BIOL	1610	College Biology I	4	ACT (or equivalent) composite score of 21+, or completion of ENGL1010 (or higher) with a minimum grade of C-
	CHEM	1210	Principles of Chemistry I	4	MATH 1050 or equivalent, recommended to have prior chemistry experience in high school or in CHEM 1010 at UVU; Co-req: CHEM 1215
Personal, Professional, and Civic Growth Distribution				3	
	COMM	1020	Public Speaking (Recommended for Humanities)	3	
	ART	1050	Photography I (Recommended for Fine Arts)	3	
	CJ	1010	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3	
<b>Discipline Core Requirements:</b>					<b>42 Credits</b>
and/or	Prefix	Number	Course Title	Credits	Prerequisite(s)
	CJ	1330	Criminal Law	3	CJ 1010
	CJ	1350	Introduction to Forensic Science*	3	
	CJ	2350	Laws of Evidence	3	CJ 1330
	BIOL	1615	College Biology I Laboratory	1	Co-req: BIOL 1610
	CHEM	1215	Principles of Chemistry I Laboratory	1	Co-req: CHEM 1210
	CHEM	1225	Principles of Chemistry II Laboratory	1	CHEM 1210; Co-req: CHEM 1220
	CHEM	1220	Principles of Chemistry II	4	CHEM 1210 with a grade of C- or higher; Co-req: CHEM 1225
	PHYS	2010	College Physics I	4	MATH 1050 or 1055; Co-req: PHYS 2015
	PHYS	2015	College Physics I Laboratory	1	MATH 1050 or 1055; Co-req: PHYS 2010
	PHYS	2020	College Physics II	4	PHYS 2010; co-req PHYS 2025
	PHYS	2025	College Physics II Laboratory	1	PHYS 2015; co-req PHYS 2020
	STAT	2040	Principles of Statistics	4	MATH 1050
	FSCI	3400	Criminalistics*	3	CJ 1350*
	FSCI	3820	Crime Scene Investigation Techniques I WE	3	FSCI 1350 or 3400*
	FSCI	3860	Forensic Microscopy	3	FSCI 1350 or 3400*
	FSCI	3880	Expert Witness Professional Practices	3	CJ 1330 and CJ 2350 with grades of C+ or higher

<b>Emphasis Core Requirements:</b>					<b>48 Credits</b>
Complete one of the Following:					
or	ZOOL	1090	Introduction to Human Anatomy and Physiology	3	BIOL 1010 or BIOL 1610
	ZOOL	2320	Human Anatomy		BIOL 1610 and ENGL 1010 with C- grade or higher;
	ZOOL	2325	Human Anatomy Laboratory		co-req ZOOL 2325
	CJ	1340	Criminal Investigations	3	CJ 1010
	FSCI	3300	Forensic Photography	3	FSCI 1350 or 3400*
	FSCI	3700	Fingerprint Processing	3	FSCI 1350 or 3400*
	FSCI	3720	Fingerprint Examination	3	FSCI 1350 or 3400*
	FSCI	3780	Bloodstain Pattern Analysis	3	FSCI 1350 or 3400*
	FSCI	3830	Complex Scene Analysis and Reconstruction	3	FSCI 3820, FSCI 3780
	FSCI	3870	Digital Evidence in Forensic Investigations	3	
	FSCI	4100	Forensic Pathology	3	ZOOL 1090 (or ZOOL 2320 & 2325)
	FSCI	4200	Medicolegal Death Investigations	3	FSCI 4100
<i>Complete one of the following:</i>					
or	FSCI	4810R	Forensic Science Internship	3	department approval
	FSCI	4890R	Research in Forensic Investigations	3	instructor approval
	FSCI	4990	Forensic Investigation Capstone	3	Junior Standing in FSCI BS Degree program
	FSCI	4910R	Directed Reading and Special Projects	3	Junior Standing in FSCI BS Degree program
<b>Emphasis Elective Requirements:</b>					<b>15 Credits</b>
Complete 15 credits from the following courses: (2 credits must be upper division)					
	BIOL	3550	Molecular Biology	3	
	BIOL	3555	Experiments in Molecular Biology	1	
	CHEM	2310	Organic Chemistry I	4	CHEM 1220, CHEM 1225 with C- grade or higher; Co-req CHEM 2315
	CHEM	2315	Organic Chemistry I Laboratory	1	CHEM 1220, CHEM 1225 with C- grade or higher; Co-req CHEM 2310
	CHEM	2320	Organic Chemistry II	4	CHEM 2310, CHEM 2315 with C- grade or higher; Co-req CHEM 2325
	CHEM	2325	Organic Chemistry II Laboratory	1	CHEM 2315; co-req CHEM 2320
	CHEM	3000	Analytical Chemistry	2	CHEM 1220; CHEM 1225; co-req CHEM 3005
	CHEM	3005	Analytical Chemistry Laboratory	2	CHEM 1220; CHEM 1225; co-req CHEM 3000
	CHEM	3600	Biological Chemistry	3	pre- or co-req CHEM 2320; co-req CHEM 3605
	CHEM	3605	Biochemistry Laboratory	1	Co-req: CHEM 3600
	CHEM	4000	Instrumental Analysis	2	CHEM 3000; co-req CHEM 4005
	CHEM	4005	Instrumental Analysis Laboratory	2	CHEM 3000, CHEM 2325; co-req CHEM 4000
	CJ	470G	Comparative Criminal Justice Systems GI	3	CJ 2350, ENGL 2010
	ENGL	3300	Collaborative Communication for Technology Professions	3	ENGL 2010 with a grade of "C-" or better
	FSCI	3500	Footwear and Tire Mark Evidence & Examination	3	FSCI 3400 with a C+ grade or higher
	FSCI	3540	Forensic Trace Analysis I	3	FSCI 3400 with a C+ grade or higher
	FSCI	3600	Forensic Anthropology I	3	ZOOL 1090, or ZOOL 2320 & 2325, University Advanced Standing
	FSCI	3850	Marijuana Identification Certificate	3	FSCI 1350 or 3400*
	FSCI	4000	Firearms Examination	3	FSCI 1350 or 3400*
	FSCI	4050	Forensic Approaches to Cold Case Investigations	3	FSCI 1350 or 3400*
	FSCI	4300	Forensic Genealogy	3	FSCI 3820
	FSCI	4320	Genealogy Research Methods and Standards	3	FSCI 4300
	FSCI	4350	Forensic Genealogy Seminar	3	FSCI 4300, FSCI 4320
	FSCI	4450	Forensic Serology	3	
	FSCI	4500	Forensic Drug Chemistry and Toxicology	3	
	FSCI	4600	Forensic DNA Analysis	3	
	FSCI	4750R	Current Topics in Forensic Science	3	FSCI 1350 or 3400*
	FSCI	4910R	Directed Reading and Special Projects	3	
Any Upper Division CJ course or other courses approved by advisor					
<b>Graduation Requirements:</b>					
1	Completion of a minimum of 124 or more semester credits with 40 semester credits from 3000- and 4000-level courses.				
2	Overall grade point average of 2.7 or above. A minimum grade of C or higher required in all Math, Chemistry, Physics, and FSCI Courses .				
3	Residency hours: minimum of 30 credit hours through course attendance at UVU, with at least 10 hours earned in the last 45.				
4	Completion of GE and specified departmental requirements. Students are responsible for completing all prerequisite courses.				
5	Successful completion of at least one Global/Intercultural course.				
6	Successful completion of at least two Writing Enriched courses				

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