

Master of Science in Forensic Science Modality: Campus Catalog Year: Fall 2025 Total Credit Hours: 32

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Required Core (8 credit hours)				
Course Prefix, Number and Title		Credit Hours	Session/Instructor	Grade
FOR 505 Advanced Forensic Biology		3		
FOR 506 Advanced Forensic Biology Lab		1		
FOR 507 Advanced Forensic Chemistry		3		
FOR 508 Advanced Forensic Chemistry Lab		1		
Other Required (10 credit hours)				
Course Prefix, Number and Title		Credit Hours	Session/Instructor	Grade
FOR 591 Seminar: Application of Forensic Science Research	1	1		
FOR 500 Research Methods		3		
FOR 592 Research – Data Collection in Forensic Science		6		
Electives (8 credit hours) Maximum of 4 units of 400-level coursework				
Course Prefix, Number and Title		Credit Hours	Session/Instructor	Grade
Elective (List of prefixes)		4		
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Culminating Experience	(6 cred	it hours)		
Course Prefix, Number and Title		Credit Hours	Session/Instructor	Grade
FOR 599 Thesis or FOR 593 Applied Project		6		
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Approved Electives:

- FOR 598 Human Osteology and Forensic Techniques (4)
- FOR 414 Fundamentals of Forensic Entomology (4)
- FOR 494 Advanced Scene Mapping and Recovery (4)

What counts:

- Regularly scheduled 500-level FOR courses taught by forensic science program faculty

What needs to be approved (in advance) by both the student's faculty advisor & the graduate program director:

- Individualized FOR courses (e.g., 580, 584, 590, 592)
- 500-level courses taught by non-program faculty (e.g., courses in other colleges)
- 400-level courses in any discipline
- Courses transferred in from other universities

What does not count:

- 593, 595, or 599 credits
- 100, 200, or 300-level courses

General Guidelines

Faculty approval required for:

- up to 4 credit hours of 400-level work may apply toward the master's degree.
- All coursework in the interactive Plan of Study (iPOS). Mere enrollment in a course does not entitle a student to count it toward a graduate degree.

Academic progress:

- Students are required to meet <u>Satisfactory</u>
 <u>Academic Progress Policy</u> and maintain
 continuous enrollment as defined by the <u>ASU</u>
 <u>Graduate College Policy Manual</u>.
- The culminating experience is completed in a student's final year of study. To be eligible for registration consult the program handbook.
- For information regarding the minimum passing grade for the 593 or 599 culminating experience, please go to <u>Satisfactory Academic Progress</u> <u>Policy</u>

Policies: Core courses can never be transferred from other universities. All work toward a master's degree must be completed within six consecutive years. For more information review the <u>ASU Graduate College Policy Manual.</u>