

FORENSIC SCIENCE, MINOR

Saint Louis University's forensic science minor focuses on applying science to legal problems. It complements the study of science, medicine or law.

Program Highlights

- SLU's minor in forensic science requires a minimum of 21 credits, combining 13-15 credits of required courses and eight credits of electives.
- SLU's forensic science faculty offers the academic and practical experience to deliver high-impact instruction and provide the tools to work for social justice in the spirit of Catholic, Jesuit education (<https://www.slu.edu/about/catholic-jesuit-identity/>).
- A minor in forensic science allows students to apply scientific principles to various career fields such as psychology, criminal justice, biology and chemistry. The minor also provides students in the pre-law track with opportunities to learn about the role forensic science plays in court cases and the courtroom.

Requirements

Students must complete a minimum total of **21-23** credits for the minor.

Code	Title	Credits
FRSC 2600	Survey of Forensic Science	3
FRSC 2800	Professional Issues in Forensic Science	3
FRSC 4550 & FRSC 4551	Crime Scene Investigation and Crime Scene Investigation Laboratory	3
Choose one of the following:		2-3
FRSC 3620 & FRSC 3621 or FRSC 3625	Forensic Chemistry and Forensic Chemistry Laboratory * Forensic Chemistry for the Investigator	
Choose one of the following:		2-3
FRSC 3630 & FRSC 3631 or FRSC 3635	Forensic Biology and Forensic Biology Laboratory * Forensic Biology for Investigators	
<i>Electives</i>		8
Choose a minimum of 8 credits in courses with a Forensic Science - Minor Elective attribute, such as:		
FRSC 3150X	True Crime: Forensic and Literary Perspectives †	
FRSC 3400	Digital Forensic Investigation	
FRSC 3500	Forensics and Law	
FRSC 3650	Forensic Laboratory Techniques for the Investigator	
FRSC 3640	Fingerprints	
FRSC 4610	Death Investigation	
FRSC 4650 & FRSC 4651	Advanced Crime Scene Reconstruction and Advanced Crime Scene Reconstruction Laboratory	
Total Credits		21-23

* FRSC 3620 Forensic Chemistry (2 cr) & FRSC 3621 Forensic Chemistry Laboratory (1 cr) and FRSC 3630 Forensic Biology (2 cr) & FRSC 3631 Forensic Biology Laboratory (1 cr) have prerequisites of additional Biology and/or Chemistry courses and are geared towards students majoring in a Natural Science such as Biology or Chemistry.

Continuation Standards

Students with a minor in forensic science must maintain a 2.00 GPA in their forensic science minor coursework.

Contact Us

For additional information about this program, please contact forensics@slu.edu or call 314-977-2603.

† FRSC 3150X True Crime: Forensic and Literary Perspectives (3 cr) also counts as a Collaborative Inquiry and Writing Intensive course for the Undergraduate University CORE.