

MORTUARY SCIENCE, ASSOCIATE IN APPLIED SCIENCE



Associate in Applied Science: AAS 3765

70-83 Credits

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Program Description

The Associate in Applied Science (AAS) in Mortuary Science program includes studies in public health; business management; natural sciences; legal, ethical and regulatory concerns; and clinical requirements associated with the mortuary field. The curriculum combines coursework in mortuary science with a general education component. The Mortuary Science associate degree is accredited by the American Board of Funeral Service Education (ABFSE) 992 Mantua Pike, Suite 108, Woodbury Heights, NJ 08097, 816-233-3747, www.abfse.org. Completion of the courses in the program prepares the student to sit for the National Board examination and begin state internship requirements.

Program Notes

Overall program minimum GPA = 2.00.

++ indicates any suffixed course may be selected.

Students must earn a grade of C or better in each course in the program.

Admission Criteria

Formal application and admission to the program is required. Prior to applying to the program, students must have proof of high school graduation or GED and must complete the following required coursework with a minimum GPA of 2.75 prior to entry into the Mortuary Science (MSP) cohort coursework: [(ACC107 or ACC111), BIO160 or (BIO201 and BIO202), (BPC+++++ or CIS+++++) (BPC110 or CIS105 recommended), (COM100 or COM110 or COM225 or COM230), (CRE101 or equivalent), (ENG101 or ENG107), (ENG102 or ENG108), GBS205 or GBS206 or GBS207 or PHI214, GBS151 or MGT175 or MGT251 or MGT253, (PSY101 or PHY132 or PSY156), Mathematics (any approved), and Humanities (REL100 recommended)] or have permission of Program Director

Program Requirements

Program Prerequisites: None

Code	Title	Credits	Semester
Required Courses			
Select one of the following:		3-4	_____
ACC107	Bookkeeping Theory And Practice	_____	_____

ACC111	Accounting Principles I	_____	_____
ACC211	Financial Accounting	_____	_____
ACC212	Managerial Accounting	_____	_____
Select one of the following:		4-8	_____
BIO160	Introduction to Human Anatomy and Physiology	_____	_____
BIO201 & BIO202	Human Anatomy and Physiology I and Human Anatomy and Physiology II	_____	_____
Select one of the following:		1-3	_____
BPC	Any BPC Business-Personal Computers course ¹	_____	_____
CIS	Any CIS Computer Information Systems course ¹	_____	_____
Select one of the following:		3	_____
GBS205	Legal, Ethical, and Regulatory Issues in Business	_____	_____
GBS206	Business Law (UCC)	_____	_____
GBS207	Business Law (General Corporate)	_____	_____
PHI214	Business Ethics	_____	_____
Select one of the following:		3	_____
GBS151	Introduction to Business	_____	_____
MGT175	Business Organization and Management	_____	_____
MGT251	Human Relations in Business	_____	_____
MGT253	Owning and Operating a Small Business	_____	_____
MSP101	Mortuary Science: Orientation and History	3	_____
MSP105	Cremation for Mortuary Science	1	_____
MSP201	Mortuary Science, Sociology, and Religion	3	_____
MSP202	Embalming	3	_____

MSP202LL	Embalming Lab	1	_____
MSP203	Microbiology for Mortuary Science	3	_____
MSP204	Chemistry for Mortuary Science	3	_____
MSP205	Funeral Directing I	3	_____
MSP206	Funeral Directing II	3	_____
MSP207	Mortuary Science Restorative Art	3	_____
MSP207LL	Mortuary Science Restorative Art Lab	1	_____
MSP208	Funeral Service Law: Legal, Ethical, and Regulatory Considerations	3	_____
MSP209	Pathology for Mortuary Science	3	_____
MSP210	Psychology and Counseling for Mortuary Science	2	_____
MSP211	Compendium for Mortuary Science	3	_____
Select one of the following:		3	_____
PSY101	Introduction to Psychology ²		_____
PSY132	Psychology and Culture		_____
PSY156	Understanding Death and Dying		_____
Note that students who desire to transfer should choose PSY101.			
General Education			
Core			
<i>First-Year Composition</i>			
Select two of the following:		6	_____
ENG101	First-Year Composition		_____
or ENG107		First-Year Composition for ESL	_____
ENG102	First-Year Composition		_____
or ENG108		First-Year Composition for ESL	_____
ENG111	Technical and Professional Writing		_____
<i>Oral Communication</i>			
Select one of the following:		3	_____
COM100	Introduction to Human Communication		_____
COM110	Interpersonal Communication		_____
COM225	Public Speaking		_____

COM230	Small Group Communication		_____
<i>Critical Reading</i>			
Select one of the following:		0-3	_____
CRE101	College Critical Reading and Critical Thinking		_____
OR Equivalent as indicated by assessment			
<i>Mathematics</i>			
Any approved general education course from the Mathematics area with a C or better ³		3-6	_____
Distribution			
<i>Humanities, Arts and Design</i>			
Any approved general education course(s) from the Humanities, Arts and Design area ⁴		3	_____
<i>Social and Behavioral Sciences</i>			
Met by Required Courses ⁵		0	_____
<i>Natural Sciences</i>			
Met by Required Courses ⁶		0	_____
Total Credits		70-83	_____

- ¹ BPC110 Computer Usage and Applications or CIS105 Survey of Computer Information Systems recommended
- ² Students who desire to transfer should choose PSY101 Introduction to Psychology
- ³ Students who desire to transfer should choose from the MAT14+ or MAT15+ options
- ⁴ REL100 World Religions is recommended
- ⁵ Met by PSY101 Introduction to Psychology OR PSY156 Understanding Death and Dying in Required Courses.
- ⁶ Met by BIO160 Introduction to Human Anatomy and Physiology in Required Courses.