FORENSIC INVESTIGATION
POST BACHELOR CERTIFICATE

Imagine being a member of a coalition of researchers, educators, and practitioners from many professions who work together to improve human health. We transform students into highly skilled health care practitioners who advance the health and well-being of society. Through research, we discover, evaluate, and implement new knowledge to improve models and methods of practice in pharmacy and health sciences from the urban to global levels. Arrive at your health career destination by accepting our invitation to explore the programs of the Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences.

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WHAT DOES A FORENSIC INVESTIGATION PROFESSIONAL DO?

Forensic investigation professionals come from a variety of backgrounds and support a variety of criminal investigations by helping law-enforcement officials analyze and understand evidence. They draw on knowledge from a broad range of areas, including specimen collection and analysis, forensic anatomy, forensic pathology, criminal justice, and photographic evidence, as well as ethics and the law. This program is geared towards professionals who are seeking a supplement to their career or related degree. Forensic investigation skills can also be useful for various professionals, such as fire inspectors, emergency service personnel, nurses, and social workers whose work relates to the criminal justice system.

For more information about careers in Forensic Investigation, please contact:

- American Academy of Forensic Sciences
  http://www.aafs.org/
- Forensic Science Foundation
  https://fsf.aafs.org/
- Young Forensic Scientist Forum
  https://yfsf.aafs.org/

WHY FORENSIC INVESTIGATION?

“The WSU program’s strengths are engaging, enthusiastic professors who are active in the field, along with the internship and research opportunities available.”

- Adanna N. Smith

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WHY WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY?

Wayne State University is a premier urban research institution offering more than 340 academic programs through 13 schools and colleges to nearly 28,000 graduate and undergraduate students. The University provides a multidisciplinary approach to research and education, and collaborates closely with government, industry and other institutions on a range of programs.

The Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (EACPHS) is located on one of the largest academic medical campuses in the United States and puts you in close proximity to the nation’s leading health care educators. A degree from the College puts you in good company, with more than 12,000 EACPHS-educated health care professionals working in Michigan.

Instructors in the Forensic Investigation program are comprised of faculty from Wayne State’s departments of Applied Health Sciences and Criminal Justice. Personnel from the Wayne, Oakland, and Macomb County medical examiner’s offices and the Michigan State Crime Lab provide expertise to the program. The program also has an affiliation with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) of the US Department of Justice.

HOW DO I APPLY?

The PBFI program admits students three times per year; see back page for details. The program is open to graduates of accredited four-year baccalaureate programs. Completion of admission requirements does not guarantee admission into the program.
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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
- Minimum 2.50 GPA.
- Bachelor’s degree from an accredited institution.
- Letter of interest/personal statement that includes a summary of your background and interest in forensic investigation addressed to the Program Director.
- Submission of official transcripts.

CERTIFICATE COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS
- 25 total semester hours minimum.
- All credits must be taken at WSU.
- Completion of all coursework with a grade of “C” (2.0) or higher.
- Cumulative 2.5 GPA in the certificate coursework.
- Program must be completed within two years.

CERTIFICATE COURSEWORK
CRI 4220 - Criminalistics
MS 5011 - Forensic: Firearms, Ballistics, and Explosives
MS 4200 - Introduction to Forensic Anatomic Pathology
MS 4010 - Basic Forensic Analysis
MS 5010 - Advanced Forensic Analysis
MS 4011 - Interview and Interrogation

A minimum of six credits in electives from the following:
MS 5550 - Special Topics (variety of topics offered)
MS 5990 - Directed Study
MS 4600 - Clinical Forensic (Pathology) Internships

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FORENSIC INVESTIGATION PROGRAM
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ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE - Held in November of each year.

Adanna N. Smith pursued the Post Bachelor Certificate in Forensic Investigation at Wayne State because of her desire to conduct research that applied her analytical skills. The program provided her with hands-on experience at the Wayne County Medical Examiner’s Office as well as lab experience and many research opportunities. She appreciated “the availability and support of the faculty,” while conducting research that provided networking opportunities. Smith also found that WSU’s location provides resources for experience. She took advantage of opportunities by becoming involved in professional organizations, submitting research articles, and presenting at national conferences.

GENERAL DEADLINES FOR ADMISSION

PROGRAM APPLICATION DUE - The program admits students three times per year for Fall, Winter, and Spring/Summer semesters. See the undergraduate admissions Web site for deadlines: https://wayne.edu/admissions/transfer/deadlines/

College application:
http://cphs.wayne.edu/forensics/admissions.php

WSU Undergraduate Application (apply as “undergraduate transfer”):
http://wayne.edu/admissions/
Office of Admissions
Welcome Center
42 W. Warren
Detroit, MI 48202
877-WSU-INFO or 313-577-3577

Office of Student Financial Aid
313-577-2100
http://wayne.edu/financial-aid/

GENERAL INFORMATION
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Attend one of our monthly Information Meetings held the 1st Tuesday of every month.
See www.cphs.wayne.edu/meetings.php

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