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**Surgical** pathologists’ assistants make up 98% of the workforce. They handle a variety of specimens that are removed during a scheduled surgery or after a traumatic event. Their job entails accessioning specimens, describing gross appearance of specimens, preparing tissues for microscopy, and performing special procedures including x-ray imaging, frozen sections and tumor triage.

**Forensic** pathologists’ assistants perform postmortem examinations on all medicolegal deaths.

### SELECTED PATHOLOGISTS’ ASSISTANT COURSES

**Medical Photography and Techniques in Pathology:** Theory of the behavior of light and selection of appropriate lenses; principles of exposure, color, and filters; macro- and microphotography. Adjustment of clinical photographs and student photographs corrected by Adobe Photoshop Professional.

**Medical Microbiology for Technical Professionals:** Infectious diseases affecting major organ systems of the body encountered by the pathologists’ assistant. Clinical case study analysis.

**Human Embryology and Pediatric Pathology:** Embryological basis of pediatric and childhood diseases along with adult presentations. Human embryological correlations to clinical settings: case study analysis specific to the pathologists’ assistant and clinical evaluation of pediatric pathology. Recognition of anatomical presentations with embryological development in normal and diseased states.

**Histochemistry:** Study of techniques specific to the Pathologists’ Assistant involved in the preparation of tissues prior to microscopic examination and processing inclusive of embedding, sectioning, preparing frozen sections and performing routine and special stain on various tissues.

**Autopsy Techniques and Forensic Pathology:** Comprehensive review of general and specialized techniques for performing postmortem examinations in both the hospital and medical examiner settings with emphasis on the external examination, evisceration, and block dissection of the adult, perinatal, and pediatric decedent.

### CONTACT US

An Academic Services Officer can answer any questions you may have and help guide you through the application process.

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