



## Buchtel College of Arts and Sciences

### **Criminal Justice Studies (3800)**

### **Minor: Forensic Studies (380020M)**

The following information has official approval of the Buchtel College of Arts and Sciences, but is intended only as a guide. Official degree requirements are established at the time of admission to the degree-granting college. Completion of this degree within the identified time frame below is contingent upon many factors, including but not limited to: class availability, total number of required credits, work schedule, finances, family, course drops/withdrawals, successfully passing courses, prerequisites, among others. The Forensic Studies Minor is designed for individuals interested in the application of scientific methods to the criminal legal process. The minor provides the student with a foundation in physical and digital forensic methods, the investigative process, professional communication, the law of evidence, and the opportunity to explore a forensics discipline of their own choosing. The minor is appropriate for students majoring in a degree in any of the disciplines that currently have a forensic specialization such as chemistry, biology, nursing, computer science, or accounting. Individuals working in the legal and investigative fields that seek to enhance their scientific reasoning skills and beginners with a general interest in the subject area are welcome. The following courses constitute a "Minor in Forensic Studies" and must be completed with a minimum grade point average of 2.0 over-all for the minor to be noted on the student's record.

		<b>Credits</b>
3800:100	Intro to Criminal Justice	3
3800:104	Evidence & Crim Legal Process	3
3800:251	Criminal Investigation	3
3800:253	Basic Forensic Methods	3
3800:281	Computer Forensic Methods	3
3800:286	Courtroom Communication	3
<b>One approved elective (3 credits) in an area of specialization, e.g. Forensic Accounting, Forensic Nursing, etc.</b>		

<b>Distribution Requirements</b>
This curriculum guide is a recommended plan of study. Students with questions about requirements should contact an academic advisor.
All prerequisites must be honored. <a href="#">Click here</a> to find course information (including prerequisites and corequisites). Contact <a href="#">Summit College Academic Advising</a> for questions or more information.
The following credit hour requirements apply to this minor: 21 credits. A minor will be placed on the student's record only at the time the student receives a baccalaureate degree.