



2017-2018 PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS Minor: Forensic Anthropology

About This Minor. . .

The Forensic Anthropology minor introduces students to the knowledge and skills necessary to employ anthropological techniques in a forensic context. Students become familiar with both field and laboratory techniques used in forensic anthropology. Students in the minor use the Forensic Investigation Research Station, a facility built to study the decomposition of the human body. The Minor especially complements such degree programs as Criminal Justice and Biology. Students with the background in Forensic Anthropology will be better prepared for jobs in areas related to death investigation.

Advising Process and DegreeWorks

This document is intended for informational purposes to help determine what courses and associated requirements are needed to earn a minor. Meeting with an academic advisor is essential in planning courses and developing a suggested course sequencing. It is ultimately the student's responsibility to understand and fulfill the requirements for her/his intended minor.

DegreeWorks is an online degree audit tool available in MAVzone. It is the official record used by the Registrar's Office to evaluate progress towards a minor. Students are responsible for reviewing their DegreeWorks audit on a regular basis and should discuss questions or concerns with their advisor or academic department head for the minor. Discrepancies in requirements should be reported to the Registrar's Office.

Graduation Process

A minor cannot be awarded by itself. It must be combined with a baccalaureate degree outside the major field of study. Students should follow the graduation process outlined for the baccalaureate degree and list their majors and minors on the "Intent to Graduate" form.

If a student's petition for graduation is denied, it will be her/his responsibility to consult the Registrar's Office regarding next steps.

INSTITUTIONAL MINOR REQUIREMENTS

The following institutional requirements apply to all CMU minors. Specific programs may have different requirements that must be met in addition to institutional requirements.

- A minor consists of 15-24 semester hours. There may be prerequisites required for the minor which will increase the total number of credit hours for a student who has not already taken those prerequisites.
- Courses taken to satisfy Essential Learning, major requirements, or electives **can** be counted toward the minor if applicable.
- At least 33 percent of the credit hours required for the minor must be in courses numbered 300 or above.
- At least 25 percent of the classes must be taken at CMU.
- 2.00 cumulative GPA or higher for the courses used for the minor.
- A minor is not a degree by itself and must be earned at the same time as a baccalaureate degree.
- A minor must be outside the major field of study.
- A student may earn up to five minors with any baccalaureate degree at CMU.
- The Catalog Year determines which program sheet and degree requirements a student must fulfill in order to graduate. Visit with your advisor or academic department to determine which catalog year and program requirements sheet you should follow.
- See "Requirements for Undergraduate Degrees and Certificates" in the catalog for a complete list of graduation requirements.

PROGRAM-SPECIFIC MINOR REQUIREMENTS

- 22 semester hours for the Minor in Forensic Anthropology.

REQUIRED COURSES FOR THE FORENSIC ANTHROPOLOGY MINOR (22 semester hours)

- One of the following options:
FOAN 180 - Survey of Physical Anthropology (3) and FOAN 180L - Survey of Physical Anthropology Laboratory (1)
FOAN 232 - Survey of Forensic Science (2) and FOAN 232L - Survey of Forensic Science Laboratory (1)
- FOAN 280 - Crime Scene Processing (2)
- FOAN 280L - Crime Scene Processing Laboratory (1)
- FOAN 350 - Forensic Anthropology (3)
- FOAN 480 - Professional Issues in Forensic Science (3)
- FOAN 499 - Internship (3-4) *

Choose 6 credits from the following courses:

- FOAN 396 - Topics (3)
- FOAN 475 - Human Remains Detection and Recovery for Medico-Legal Investigations (3)
- ARKE 300 - Human Evolution (3)
- ARKE 410 - Field Methods in Archaeology (3) **
- ARKE 410L - Field Methods in Archaeology Laboratory (3) **
- BIOL 217 - Forensic Entomology (2)
- BIOL 217L - Forensic Entomology Laboratory (1)
- BIOL 410 - Human Osteology (3)***
- BIOL 410L - Human Osteology Laboratory (1)***

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* The number of internship credits will be determined by whether the student takes FOAN 180/180L (4cr) or FOAN 232/232L (3cr). Either way, the student will take sufficient internship credits to bring the total of required course credits to 22.

**Prerequisites: ARKE 205 and ARKE 225, or consent of instructor

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