

Program Summary

The Hilbert Forensic Science/Crime Scene Investigation degree is a four-year program which provides students with a solid base of knowledge and skills for service in a growing number of investigative agencies.

Typical forensic science degrees focus on natural sciences in laboratory settings where evidence is analyzed. However, crime scene investigation, involves the proper identification, collection, and chain of custody of evidence to the forensic lab for analysis. Hilbert will provide a blend of the two areas with a strong emphasis on crime scene investigation and how it relates to the forensic lab.

Coursework includes forensic crime scene photography, laws and rules of evidence, fingerprint processing, trace analysis and computer evidence recovery. This background will promote a stronger, more precise relationship between the crime scene unit and the forensic lab responsible for crime analysis. Such coursework will be embedded within a well-balanced social science bachelor's degree.

Complete the following checklist over the course of your academic journey at Hilbert College to ensure successful opportunities upon graduation:

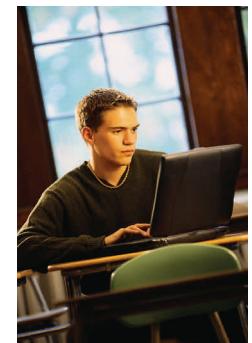
- Schedule an appointment with a career development specialist to map out your goals
- Meet with the head of your department to discuss internship options
- Register for classes that will assist your employment options, such as GS 180 / GS 380 and CJ 310
- Maintain your overall health and well-being
- Schedule your yearly physical and eye exam with your family practitioner
- Manage your debt-to-income ratio
- Filter your social media postings
- Research career options that interest you and learn the specific requirements of those positions
- Register and take at least five civil service or police exams prior to graduation
- Participate in the annual Criminal Justice Career Expo
- Network with employers in your field
- Join the Criminal Justice/Forensic Science Club on campus
- Participate in classroom discussions and visit your faculty members during their office hours
- Take ownership of your career goals

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Law enforcement and government agencies need qualified professionals with forensic science and crime scene investigation skills to process complex crime scenes. In response, Hilbert College is offering a bachelor's degree in Forensic Science/Crime Scene Investigation (FS/CSI). The program will serve college students planning to seek employment in entry-level positions as well as practicing investigators.

The FS/CSI program requires a 60-credit mix of criminal justice and forensic science courses, and 60 credits in liberal arts, science and all college electives.

The FS/CSI program is intended to provide both college students and law enforcement personnel with the most current technological knowledge and practical applications in crime scene investigation. These skills will enable students to obtain entry-level positions.

A MESSAGE FROM THE DEPARTMENT CHAIR

The Hilbert College Forensic Science/Crime Scene Investigation Program is distinguished by the quality of our faculty, the hands-on nature of our teaching, which includes internship opportunities in a wide range of agencies and organizations, and job opportunities available to graduates in this growing field. Plus, Hilbert offers you small classes, personal attention, convenience, and a commitment to getting you your degree on time.



Edward V. Qualey, M.S.
Chairperson, Criminal
Justice Studies Division

Bachelor of Science Degree Forensic Science/ Crime Scene Investigation 120 Credit Hours

Students pursuing a bachelor of science degree in Hilbert's Forensic Science/Crime Scene Investigation must fulfill the following requirements.

General Requirements (48)

- COM 151 Public Speaking
- EN 101 College Writing
- EN 102 Critical Interpretation of Literature
- GS 101 Foundations Seminar
- PS 402 Junior Symposium

Specific General Education Core Modules

- General Education Elective
- Intercultural Awareness Elective
- Interdisciplinary Studies Elective
- Literature/Arts Elective
- MA 200 Topics in Statistics
- Moral Reasoning—CJ 330 Ethics in CJ System
- Political Science/History/Geography Elective
- PSY 101 Introduction to Psychology
- Religious Studies Elective
- Science—BI 114 Human Body
- SO/PSY/ECO—SO 101 Introduction to Sociology

All College Electives (Any Level) (15)

- MIS Elective (3)
- Electives (12)

Suggested Electives

- Classes in Biology, Chemistry or Physics
- FS 499 Forensic Science Internship

Courses in Major (57)

Lower Level (15)

- FS 101 Introduction to Forensic Sciences
- FS 201 Intro to Photography/Imagery
- CJ 101 Introduction to Criminal Justice
- CJ 202 Introduction to Law and Justice
- CJ 204 Crime and Society

Upper Level (36)

- FS 302 Computer Crime Investigation
- FS 318 Special Topics in Forensic Science I
- FS 319 Special Topics in Forensic Science II
- FS 320 Interview & Interrogation Techniques
- FS 400 Photography/Imagery
- FS 401 Fingerprint Evidence
- FS 402 Trace Evidence/Arson-Firearms/Impression Evidence
- FS 403 Bloodstain Pattern Analysis/Crash Management/FS Report Writing
- FS 405 Advanced Seminar in Forensic Science
- CJ 305 Research Methods in Social Sciences
- CJ 315 Laws and Rules of Evidence
- CJ 404 Criminal Investigations/Criminalistics

Upper -Level Electives (6)

- Liberal Arts Elective
- PSY 410 Forensic Psychology