Forensic Science Graduate Group Membership Information

Members of the Forensic Science Graduate Group enjoy several benefits, including access to talented student researchers, opportunities for networking and collaborations across sub-disciplines in Forensic Science, and several annual dinner events centered on graduate student research. We welcome new members. Membership requires a formal application that is subject to committee and faculty review, and membership entails participation typical of graduate group memberships at U.C. Davis.

Graduate Groups services include at least one of the following:

- Mentoring students in one of the following capacities: Thesis Chair; Thesis committee member (reader); Academic Advisor (approved by the OGS)
- Serving on a FSGG committee: Admissions Committee; Advising Committee; Education Committee; Executive Committee; Membership Committee
- Research in Forensic Science or related topics, including publications relevant to the field of forensic science.
- Teaching a class in the FS graduate program or teaching an upper division class relevant to the FS program.

Candidate information required:

The application consists of a CV submitted to the Membership Committee Chair, accompanied by a brief Personal Statement on why the candidate is interested in joining the group. The latter should include research interests, examples of areas and research topics that would be suitable for thesis projects, other services that might be contributed from the list above, any graduate or upper-division course(s) taught in the program or relevant to Forensic Science, and any other pertinent information.

Example:

Dr. X has a Ph.D. in Genetics and Genomics from The University of YYYY and works in the field of population genetics. This area has great relevance for current problems in species and subspecies identification, for trace evidence analysis, poaching investigation and food authentication. Dr. X is interested in mentoring students in any of these project areas. These projects and Dr. X’s course in his specialty are suitable for students in the Program in either the DNA or trace evidence tracks. (More detail on course and projects). Dr. X is willing to serve on the Admissions Committee.

Please see attached CV for more information.