

FORENSIC SCIENCE: DNA TRACK

SAMPLE 2-YEAR ACADEMIC PLAN

	Fall Quarter	Units	Winter Quarter	Units	Spring Quarter	Units
Year 1	FOR 201A: For. Sci. Fund.	3	FOR 201B: For. Sci. Fund.	3	FOR 201C: For. Sci. Fund.	3
	FOR 280: DNA Analysis	3	FOR 276: Population Genetics	3	FOR 281: DNA Typing	3
	FOR 210: Human ID (elec)	3	FOR 278: Molecular Tech.	3	FOR 277: For. Genetics(elec)	3
	Total: 9		Total: 9		Total: 9	
Year 2	FOR 290: For. Sci. Seminar	1	FOR 290: For. Sci. Seminar	1	FOR 290C: For. Sci. Seminar	1
	FOR 299: Thesis Research	5	FOR 299: Thesis Research	5	FOR 299: Thesis Research	5
	FOR 298: Forensic Photo. (elec)	3	FOR 218: For. Case Reports	3	FOR 240: Homicide CSI	3
	Total: 9		Total: 9		Total: 9	

**Disclaimer: While academic plans can be helpful in your course selection and planning process, they are not sufficient to replace individual advising appointments or a graduation check with your Graduate Program Coordinator.

2025 Degree Requirements | 54 Units

Core Courses | 15 units

- FOR201A Forensic Science Fundamentals (3) *F*
- FOR201B Forensic Science Fundamentals (3) *W*
- FOR201C Forensic Science Fundamentals (3) *S*
- FOR218 Forensic Case Reports (3) *W*
- FOR240 Homicide Crime Scene Investigation (3) *S*

Track Courses - DNA | 9 units

- FOR276 Population Genetics (3) *W* -or- any 200 Level Genetics/Bioinformatics Course¹ such as:
GGG201D Quantitative and Population Genetics (5) *S*
- FOR278 Molecular Techniques (3) *W - alt. yrs.*
- FOR280 Forensic DNA Analysis (3) *F*

Laboratory Course | 3 units

- FOR281 Principles and Practices of DNA Typing (3) *S*

Seminars | 3 units

- FOR290 Seminar (1) *F*
- FOR290 Seminar (1) *W*
- XXX290 Seminar (any graduate seminar) or FOR290C¹ (1) *Vary*

Research | 6 units

- FOR299 Research in Forensic Science (1-6) *All*

Electives | 18 units

Group 1: Choose 1 course

- FOR 277 Forensic Genetics (3)
- FOR 210 Human Identification (3)

Group 2: Choose 2 courses

- ETX 102B Quantitative Analysis of Environmental Toxicants (5)
- FOR 210 Human Identification (3)
- FOR 277 Forensic Genetics (3)
- MCB 162 Human Genetics (3)
- FOR220 Analysis of Toxicants (3) *F*
- FOR268 Forensic Statistics (3) *W*

Group 3: Choose 3 courses

- ETX 102B Quantitative Analysis of Environmental Toxicants (5)
- FOR 210 Human Identification (3)
- FOR 277 Forensic Genetics (3)
- MCB 162 Human Genetics (3)
- FOR 298 Forensic Photography (3)

An elective class cannot be used to satisfy more than one elective group's requirement. Other elective courses can be taken as approved by the student's Graduate Advisor

¹ Attendance at an external conference (such as AAFS or CAC, listed as FOR290C in W and S quarters) and written summary can fulfill this requirement in lieu of an additional seminar course.