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This course provides a comprehensive foundation in forensic pathology and ethical decision-making within death investigation and injury analysis. Students will examine key topics including time of death determination, postmortem changes, and the forensic implications of various injury mechanisms such as blunt force trauma, gunfire, asphyxia, and drowning. The course also explores specialized areas including pediatric deaths, radiologic forensics, toxicological influences of alcohol and marijuana, and the ethical dimensions of autopsy procedures and medicolegal reporting. Emphasis is placed on applying ethical principles to complex forensic scenarios involving human remains, trauma interpretation, and cause-of-death determination.

Grade Basis: L
Credit hours: 3.0
Lecture hours: 3.0

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