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# **Bachelor of Science in Forensic Science**

2023-2024 Degree Completion Plan

**Important**: This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2023 through summer 2024. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations, or cognates.

### GENERAL EDUCATION/ FOUNDATIONAL SKILLS REQUIREMENTS (44-47 hours)

| Course              | IONAL SKILLS REQUIREMENTS                   | Hrs               | Sem   | <u>Grade</u> | Course             |   | Hrs | Sem | Grade |
|---------------------|---|-------------------|-------|--------------|--------------------|---|-----|-----|-------|
| Communica           | ation & Information Literacy (13 hou        | irs) <sup>1</sup> |       |              | Major Found        | lational Courses (19-27 hours)                        |     |     |       |
| ENGL 101            | Composition & Rhetoric                      | 3                 |       |              | BIOL 224           | General Biology I <sup>4</sup>                        | 4   |     |       |
| INQR 101            | Inquiry 101                                 | 1                 |       |              | CHEM               | 4,5   | 4   |     |       |
|                     | Communications Elective                     | 3                 |       |              | CHEM               | 4,6   | 4   |     |       |
|                     | Information Literacy Elective               | 3                 |       |              | MATH 126           | Elementary Calculus for Business & Sci <sup>4</sup>   |     |     |       |
|                     | Information Literacy Elective               | 3                 |       |              | or MATH 131        | Calculus & Analytic Geometry I <sup>4</sup>           | 3-4 |     |       |
|                     |   |                   |       |              | MATH 201           | Introduction to Probability & Statistics <sup>4</sup> |     |     |       |
| Technologie         | al Solutions & Quantitative Reasoni         | ng (4-7           | hours | $)^1$        | <u>or</u> MATH 211 | Introduction to Statistical Analysis <sup>4</sup>     | 3   |     |       |
| UNIV 101            | University Core Competencies                | 1                 |       | ·            | PHYS 201           | General Physics I <sup>4</sup>                        |     |     |       |
| MATH                | Math Elective (MATH 114 or higher)          | 3                 |       |              | or PHYS 231        | University Physics I <sup>4</sup>                     | 4   |     |       |
|                     | Technology Competency <sup>2</sup>          | 0-3               |       |              | PHYS 202           | General Physics II <sup>4</sup>                       |     |     |       |
|                     |   |                   |       |              | <u>or</u> PHYS 232 | University Physics II <sup>4</sup>                    | 4   |     |       |
| <b>Critical Thi</b> | nking (8 hours) <sup>1</sup>                |                   |       |              |                    |   |     |     |       |
| RLGN 105            | Intr Bwvw/Contemp Moral Issues <sup>3</sup> | 2                 |       |              | MAJOR              |   |     |     |       |
| RSCH 201            | Research 201                                | 3                 |       |              |                    | Core (57 hours)                                       |     |     |       |
|                     | Critical Thinking Elective                  | 3                 |       |              | BIOL 225           | General Biology II                                    | 4   |     |       |
|                     |   |                   |       |              | BIOL 301           | Genetics  | 4   |     |       |
| Civic & Glo         | bal Engagement (5 hours) <sup>1</sup>       |                   |       |              | BIOL 303           | Microbiology  | 4   |     |       |
| EVAN 101            | Evangelism & Christian Life <sup>3</sup>    | 2                 |       |              | BIOL 313           | Clinical Human Anatomy                                | 3   |     |       |
|                     | Cultural Studies Elective                   | 3                 |       |              | BIOL 361           | Forensic DNA Analysis                                 | 3   |     |       |
|                     |   |                   |       |              | BIOL 402           | Forensic Science Seminar                              | 1   |     |       |
| Social & Sc         | ientific Inquiry (6 hours) <sup>1</sup>     |                   |       |              | BIOL 421           | Forensic Entomology                                   | 3   |     |       |
|                     | Natural Science Elective                    | 3                 |       |              | BIOL 462           | Forensic DNA Analysis Lab                             | 2   |     |       |
|                     | Social Science Elective                     | 3                 |       |              | BIOL 465           | Trace Evidence  | 2   |     |       |
|                     |   |                   |       |              | CHEM 301           | Organic Chemistry I                                   | 4   |     |       |
| Christianity        | V & Contexts (8 hours) <sup>1</sup>         |                   |       |              | CHEM 302           | Organic Chemistry II                                  | 4   |     |       |
| BIBL 105            | Old Testament Survey                        | 2                 |       |              | CHEM 321           | Analytical Chemistry                                  | 4   |     |       |
| BIBL 110            | New Testament Survey                        | 2                 |       |              | CJUS 360           | Introduction to Forensics                             | 3   |     |       |
| THEO 201            | Theology Survey I <sup>3</sup>              | 2                 |       |              | CJUS 420           | Criminal Investigations I                             | 3   |     |       |
| THEO 202            | Theology Survey II <sup>3</sup>             | 2                 |       |              | CJUS 421           | Criminal Investigations II                            | 3   |     |       |
|                     |   |                   |       |              | CRST 290           | History of Life                                       |     |     |       |
|                     |   |                   |       |              | or CRST 390        | Origins   | 3   |     |       |
|                     |   |                   |       |              |                    | Forensic Science Elective <sup>7</sup>                | _   |     |       |
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|   | Notes  |
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|   | All applicable prerequisites must be met   |
|   | <sup>1</sup> Refer to the list of approved general education electives at <u>www.liberty.edu/gened</u>   |
|   | before enrolling in foundational skills requirements   |
|   | <sup>2</sup> All students must pass the Computer Assessment OR complete applicable INFT course;          |
|   | refer to www.liberty.edu/computerassessment for more information   |
| Graduation Requirements   | <sup>3</sup> Students transferring in 45 or more UG credit hours will have the requirements of RLGN      |
| 120 Total Hours   | 105 and EVAN 101 waived; Students transferring in 60 or more UG credit hours will also                   |
| 2.0 Overall grade point average   | have the requirements of THEO 201 and THEO 202 waived  |
| <b>30</b> Hours must be upper-level courses (300-400 level)             | <sup>4</sup> Courses may also fulfill select General Education Requirements. Please refer to the list of |
| Grade of 'C' Minimum required for all upper-level courses in the major  | approved general education electives at www.liberty.edu/gened  |
| 25% Of major taken through Liberty University                           | <sup>5</sup> Choose CHEM 121 <u>OR</u> CHEM 131 and 135  |
| 30 Hours must be completed through Liberty University                   | 6Choose CHEM 122 OR CHEM 132 and 136   |
| Grad App Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed  | <sup>7</sup> Choose a minimum of 7 credits from the following courses: BCHM 451, 452, BIOL 316,          |
| within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date     | 455, 495, 499, CHEM 322, 357, 461, 462, 465, 466, and 471  |
| CSER All requirements must be satisfied before a degree will be awarded | Suggested Course Sequence on second page   |

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## SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

### FRESHMAN YEAR

| First Semester                                     |         | Second Semester                              |    |
|--|---------|--|----|
| ENGL 101   | 3       | RLGN 105                                     | 2  |
| INQR 101   | 1       | Information Literacy Elective <sup>1</sup>   | 3  |
| UNIV 101   | 1       | MATH Elective <sup>1</sup> [MATH 201 or 211] | 3  |
| Natural Science Elective <sup>1</sup> [BIOL 224] 4 |         | BIOL 225                                     | 4  |
| MATH 126 <u>or</u> 131                             | 3-4     | CHEM Elective(s) <sup>3</sup>                | 4  |
| CHEM Elective(s) <sup>2</sup>                      | 4       | CSER   | 0  |
| CSER   | 0       | Total  | 16 |
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### SOPHOMORE YEAR

| RSCH 201                             | 3           | EVAN 101                                |       | 2        |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|---|-------|----------|
| Communications Elective <sup>1</sup> | 3           | Critical Thinking Elective <sup>1</sup> |       | 3        |
| Technology Competency <sup>4</sup>   | 0-3         | BIOL 303                                |       | 4        |
| BIOL 301                             | 4           | CHEM 302                                |       | 4        |
| CHEM 301                             | 4           | CJUS 360                                |       | 3        |
| CSER                                 | <u>0</u>    | CSER                                    |       | <u>0</u> |
|                                      | Total 14-17 |   | Total | 16       |

### JUNIOR YEAR

| BIBL 110                            |       | 2        | BIBL 105                            |       | 2  |
|-------------------------------------|-------|----------|-------------------------------------|-------|----|
| THEO 201                            |       | 2        | THEO 202                            |       | 2  |
| PHYS 201 <u>or</u> 231 <sup>4</sup> |       | 4        | PHYS 202 <u>or</u> 232 <sup>4</sup> |       | 4  |
| BIOL 313                            |       | 3        | BIOL 361                            |       | 3  |
| CHEM 321                            |       | 4        | BIOL 465                            |       | 2  |
| CSER                                |       | <u>0</u> | CSER                                |       | 0  |
|                                     | Total | 15       |                                     | Total | 13 |

### SENIOR YEAR

| Information Literacy Elective <sup>1</sup> |       | 3        | Cultural Studies Elective <sup>1</sup> | 3  |
|--|-------|----------|--|----|
| Social Science Elective <sup>1</sup>       |       | 3        | BIOL 462                               | 3  |
| BIOL 402                                   |       | 1        | CJUS 421                               | 3  |
| BIOL 421                                   |       | 3        | CRST 290 or CRST 390                   | 3  |
| CJUS 420                                   |       | 3        | Forensic Science Elective <sup>5</sup> | 4  |
| Forensic Science Elective <sup>5</sup>     |       | 3        | CSER                                   | 0  |
| CSER                                       |       | <u>0</u> | Total                                  | 16 |
|  | Total | 16       |  |    |

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