

NorthWest Arkansas Community College Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences, Education and Wellness, Legal and Protective Services

CMJS 2443 (Criminalistics)

Catalog Description:

Introduction to forensics focusing on the scientific analysis of physical and biological evidence encountered in criminal investigations. Chemical, microscopic, biological, and observational techniques employed in the analysis of material evidence are covered in detail and illustrated within an investigative framework. Topics to be covered include: inorganic remains, fiber, tissue, human identification, fingerprint, tools, and weapons.

Co-requisites:

None

Credit hours/Contact hours/Load hours:

3/3/3

Learning Objectives:

To accomplish the following NWACC and course outcomes, students should read and complete all course assignments, make a sincere effort to be actively involved, and should work cooperatively with other students and the instructor. Students should gain an understanding of the application of scientific analysis to forensic cases. Students will come to know the different types of evidence and the manner in which they are collected.