

FORENSIC SCIENCE, B.S.

Seven Penn State campuses are scheduled for closure after Spring 2027: DuBois, Fayette, New Kensington, Mont Alto, Shenango, Wilkes-Barre, and York. New students are not being admitted at these campuses.

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus

End Campus: University Park

Career Paths

The Forensic Science program provides students with a strong foundation in the natural sciences. In addition, students will be introduced to the criminalistics philosophy through intensive scientific and laboratory problem-solving skills that are necessary for their success in forensic laboratory careers or graduate-level academic settings.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT POTENTIAL CAREER OPTIONS FOR GRADUATES OF THE FORENSIC SCIENCE PROGRAM (<https://www.aafs.org/careers-forensic-science>)

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT OPPORTUNITIES FOR GRADUATE STUDIES (<https://science.psu.edu/bmb/forensics/careerpaths>)

Professional Resources

- Northeastern Association of Forensic Scientists (<https://www.neafs.org>)
- National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) (<https://www.nist.gov>)
- Organization of Scientific Area Committees (<https://www.nist.gov/adlp/spo/organization-scientific-area-committees-forensic-science>)
- American Academy of Forensic Sciences (<https://www.aafs.org>)
- American Board of Criminalists (<https://www.criminalistics.com>)
- International Association for Identification (<https://www.theiai.org>)
- California Association of Criminalists (<https://www.cacnews.org>)
- American Society of Trace Evidence Examiners (<https://www.astetrace.org>)
- New Jersey Association of Forensic Scientists (<https://www.njafs.org>)
- Mid-Atlantic Association of Forensic Scientists (<https://www.maafs.org>)