For the Master’s in Forensic Science, a minimum of 42 credits is required for completion of the program, of which at least 20 credits will come from courses at the 500 or 800 levels, and at least 6 credits will come from the 500 level. Students are required to take 27 credits of core courses, 12 credits for either the Chemistry or Biology emphasis, and 3 credits of elective courses.

**CORE COURSES (27 credits)**
- FRNSC 400 (1) – Courtroom Proceedings and Testimony
- FRNSC 410 (2) – Crime Scene Investigation
- FRNSC 411 (3) – Non-Biology Criminalistics (Trace Evidence, Microscopy, Materials Analysis, Pattern Evidence)
- FRNSC 413 (3) – Biology Criminalistics (Forensic Biology)
- FRNSC 415W (2) – Crime Scene Investigation Laboratory
- FRNSC 475 (1) – Forensic Science Seminar
- FRNSC 532 (3) – Drug Chemistry and Toxicology
- FRNSC 541 (1) – Forensic Seminar Series
- FRNSC 561 (1) – Ethics in Forensic Science
- FRNSC 801 (4) – Criminalistics III (Adv Scene, Laboratory & Problem Solving Concepts: Prep for the Forensic Science Aptitude Test, the FSAT)
- FRNSC 894 (6) – Research Projects in Forensic Science

**ADDITIONAL COURSES (12 credits)**

**Forensic Chemistry Emphasis:**
- CHEM 425 (3) – Chromatography and Electrochemistry
- FRNSC 427W (4) – Forensic Chemistry
- CHEM 500 (1) – Seminar in Chemistry
- FRNSC 831 (4) – Forensic Chemistry II

**Forensic Biology Emphasis:**
- BMB 400 (3) – Molecular Biology of the Gene
- FRNSC 421W (4) – Forensic Molecular Biology
- BMMB 590 (1) – Colloquium
- FRNSC 821 (4) – Forensic Molecular Biology II

**ELECTIVE COURSE (3 credits of CRIM or PSYCH)**
The following is a list of acceptable elective courses. Students wishing to take a course that is not listed should consult their advisor.

- CRIM 406 (3) – Sociology of Deviance
- CRIM 423 (3) - Sexual Violence
- CRIM 425 (3) - Organized Crime
- CRIM 432 (3) – The Courts
- CRIM 453 (3) – Women & Justice
- PSYCH 462 (3) – Physiological Psychology
- PSYCH 470 (3) – Abnormal Psychology
- PSYCH 471 (3) – Adjustment & Social Relationships
**Typical Semester Schedule for a Two Year Candidate Interested in **Forensic Chemistry**:  
**Fall/Year 1:**
FRNSC 475 (1), FRNSC 410 & 415W (4), FRNSC 532 (3), FRNSC 894 (1), **CHEM 425** (3)  
12 Credits

**Spring/Year 1:**
FRNSC 400 (1), FRNSC 411 (3), **FRNSC 427W** (4), FRNSC 541 (1), FRNSC 894 (1)  
10 Credits

**Fall/Year 2:**
FRNSC 413 (3), FRNSC 561 (1), **FRNSC 831** (4), FRNSC 894 (2), CHEM 500 (1)  
11 Credits

**Spring/Year 2:**
FRNSC 801 (4), FRNSC 894 (2), Elective (3)  
9 Credits

**TOTAL**  
42 Credits

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**Typical Semester Schedule for a Two Year Candidate Interested in **Forensic Biology**:  
**Fall/Year 1:**
FRNSC 475 (1), FRNSC 410 & 415W (4), FRNSC 413 (3), FRNSC 894 (1), **BMB 400** (3)  
12 Credits

**Spring/Year 1:**
FRNSC 400 (1), FRNSC 411 (3), **FRNSC 421W** (4), FRNSC 541 (1), FRNSC 894 (1)  
10 Credits

**Fall/Year 2:**
FRNSC 532 (3), FRNSC 561 (1), **FRNSC 821** (4), FRNSC 894 (2), BMMB 590 (1)  
11 Credits

**Spring/Year 2:**
FRNSC 801 (4), FRNSC 894 (2), Elective (3)  
9 Credits

**TOTAL**  
42 Credits