



MU FORENSIC SCIENCE CENTER

The Marshall University Forensic Science Center (MUFSC) was founded on the belief biotechnology could be used to better the community by providing meaningful education along with assisting law enforcement and the criminal justice system.

Since its inception, MUFSC has served as the CODIS Laboratory for the state of West Virginia and as a leader in forensic science graduate education. From these foundations, MUFSC has expanded to provide FEPAC accredited academics and establish one of the nation's leading Forensic DNA Laboratories. As the field of forensic science diversifies, so too does MUFSC. Alongside our Forensic DNA Laboratory our state-of-the-art facilities include a dedicated Crime Scene House, Digital Forensics laboratories, and Forensic Chemistry laboratories.

One of MUFSC's missions is to provide training to law enforcement and forensic professionals on a national scale. To accomplish this mission, MUFSC has partnered with a number of state and national organizations including: the West Virginia State Police, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the National Institute of Justice, and the West Virginia Foundation for Rape Information and Services. Through these partnerships, MUFSC has provided a wide range of training to over 1500 participants from 49 states.



GRADUATE PROGRAM: MUFSC offers a FEPAC accredited Master of Science in Forensic Science degree program. Graduate students receive two-years of in-depth instruction and hands-on training in Forensic DNA Analysis, Crime Scene Investigation, Digital Forensics, and Forensic Chemistry.



FORENSIC DNA ANALYSIS: Our ANAB accredited laboratory can perform complex DNA analysis to address a number of different cases including sexual assault, property crimes, and relationship testing. MUFSC also serves as the sole Combined DNA Indexing System (CODIS) Laboratory for the state of West Virginia.



DIGITAL FORENSICS: MUFSC's Digital Forensics Graduate Emphasis and Certificate programs are the first in the nation to be FEPAC accredited. Our facilities harbor one of the West Virginia State Police Digital Forensics Units (WVSP-DFU), where they actively perform criminal investigations ranging from child exploitation to homicide in a high-technology laboratory.



CRIME SCENE HOUSE: With approximately 5,000 square feet of usable space our Crime Scene House includes nine rooms, a garage, a gazebo, porches, yards, and an unfinished basement. The array of environments offer students the ability to conduct indoor or outdoor practical exercises in virtually every aspect of crime scene investigation.