



What sort of subjects would I study?

Most subjects in the Bachelor of Forensic Science (Crime Scene Examination) are taught by forensic experts with years of real operational experience, so you know you'll get the skills and experience you need for a career in crime scene examination. A typical course of full-time study in this degree will involve the following areas of study:

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Year 1 – Semester 1	Year 1 – Semester 2
Principles of Forensic Science	Principles of Forensic Investigation
Biology 1 (General Biology)	Anatomy and Physiology for Forensic Science
Chemistry 1 (General Chemistry)	Chemistry 2 (Organic and Analytical Chemistry)
Maths and Physics for Forensic Investigations	Communication in Forensic Science
Year 2 – Semester 1	Year 2 – Semester 2
Crime Scene Investigation 1 (Volume Crime)	Crime Scene Investigation 2 (Serious Crime)
Biochemistry	Specialist Forensic Disciplines
Court Procedures and Protocols	Criminalistics 1
Comparative Analysis	Elective
Year 3 – Semester 1	Year 3 – Semester 2
Crime Scene Investigation 3 (Major Incidents)	Professional Practices in Forensic Science
Forensic Research Project 1	Forensic Research Project 2
Criminalistics 2	Elective
Statistics for Forensic Science	Elective
Electives – Advanced Diploma or Degree	Degree only
Bloodstain Pattern Analysis	Principles of Fire Scene Examination
Principles of Ballistics and Firearms Identification	Biological Criminalistics (Non-Human Applications)
Principles of Forensic Document Examination	
Principles of Vehicle Examination	
Principles of Ridgeology and Fingerprint Comparisons	

How do I apply?

Applications for the Bachelor of Forensic Science cannot be made online. They must be made in hard copy. Please contact the Student Services Hub on

(02) 6207 3188

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Canberra Institute
of Technology

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Think you have what it takes to help solve crimes?

Want to investigate further?

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The Canberra Institute of Technology (CIT) offers a 3-year degree in forensic science that would allow you to move into careers such as:

- > Scene of Crime Officer (SOCO)
- > Crime Scene Examiner
- > Scientific Officer attached to the police force or related industries.

CIT graduates have been involved in the investigation of hundreds of high-profile crimes and international incidents, including the 2002 Bali bombings and the 2004 Boxing Day tsunami.

Graduates will also find opportunities in related non-forensic science disciplines.

Why CIT?

CIT is one of Australia's pioneers and current leaders in the field of forensic science education. We train crime scene examiners from every Australian state and territory police force, so you know the training you'll get is as real and relevant as it gets. We also train police forensic scientists from around the world, through the National Centre for Forensic Studies – our partnership with the Australian Federal Police and the University of Canberra.

The CIT campus in the suburb of Bruce in Canberra is used by the National Centre partners for practical, hands-on training and experience. At our campus you can experience the real-life forensic house, where we interpret bloodspatter in recreated crime scenes, use the 'polilight' to reveal hidden fingerprints, excavate buried remains and use the latest technology to analyse evidence.

Our shared National Centre for Forensic Studies laboratory, also in Bruce, is equipped with state of the art instrumentation for the scientific analysis of illicit drugs, explosives, chemical and biological trace evidence and fingerprints.

CIT itself has over 20,000 students aged from 16 to 70 years, enrolled over 5 campuses and delivers over 400 courses with a real industry focus combined with nationally recognised qualifications.

What do I need to do the forensics degree?

- > You must have EITHER an ACT Year 12 Certificate, or equivalent, with an ACT Year 12 Tertiary Major in science with a minimum of a C grade; and ACT Year 12 Tertiary Major in Mathematics Methods with a minimum C grade OR Tertiary Major in Mathematics Applications with a minimum B grade; and ACT Year 12 Tertiary or Accredited Major in English with a minimum C grade.
- > OR have demonstrated equivalent qualifications in science, mathematics and English.
- > OR successfully complete an approved bridging program and/or skills assessment in science, mathematics and English
- > OR be of Mature Age (turn at least 20 years of age in your first year of study in the degree) and demonstrate a level of general education in science, mathematics and English which provides you with a reasonable chance of successfully completing the degree. This would normally include successful completion of an approved bridging program and/or skills assessment in science, mathematics and English; and a genuine interest in the field as evidenced by relevant work experience and/or participation in related sciences or associations.

Is there a selection process?

YES. Selection will primarily be based on an assessment of your previous educational record, work and other relevant experience and interest in the field of study, as identified on the application form and accompanying personal statement. You may be required to attend an interview, which may include a written or oral skills assessment test.

How long does the degree take?

The CIT degree in Crime Scene Examination takes a minimum 3 years full-time to complete. For example a full-time student would be expected to undertake 12 credit points in each semester (1 credit point = 3 hours per week), requiring an average combined 40 hours per week of timetabled and personal study.

With the approval of the Program Coordinator, you may also be able to study on a part-time basis if you need to juggle work, family or personal commitments.