

APPLY YOUR SKILLS TO THE PURSUIT OF JUSTICE

Gain medical, dental and scientific knowledge and skills from Australia's best forensic practitioners and develop specialised, highly sought-after expertise with the Master of Forensic Medicine, the only qualification of its kind in the southern hemisphere.

This internationally recognised course is delivered through the Victorian Institute of Forensic Medicine (VIFM), Australia's largest centre for forensic medical and scientific services, in partnership with Monash University.

You'll be taught by real-world forensic practitioners, who have used their expertise in major local and international cases, from solving the mystery of Ned Kelly's remains to disaster victim identification in the Indian Ocean tsunami and Black Saturday bushfires.

In the Master of Forensic Medicine you will:

- learn to make high level, independent judgements in the forensic setting
- understand medicolegal principles and practice communicating such issues within the justice system
- critically evaluate the ethical and legal issues arising in forensic medical practice, and
- gather and interpret forensic evidence in a variety of forensic medical and scientific specialisations

YOUR PATHWAY TO RCPA RECOGNITION

Part A

Part A focuses on building foundational knowledge and skills in three key areas, required for providing forensic medical and scientific services. (18 points)

Part B

Part B provides the opporunity to pursue advance specialist study through either coursework or a research project. (54 points)

You may be eligible to exit early with a Graduate Certificate or Graduate Diploma, if the award requirements have been met.

Enrolling in the Master of Forensic Medicine is the recommended first step towards specialist recognition under the Royal College of Pathologists of Australia within the Faculties of Clinical Forensic Medicine, Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology and Science.

Delivered online with off-campus workshops, the Master of Forensic Medicine combines the quality of a Monash postgraduate degree with the flexibility required by working professionals.

Course code

M6009

Study mode

Off-campus (Southbank)

Intakes

February and July

Durations

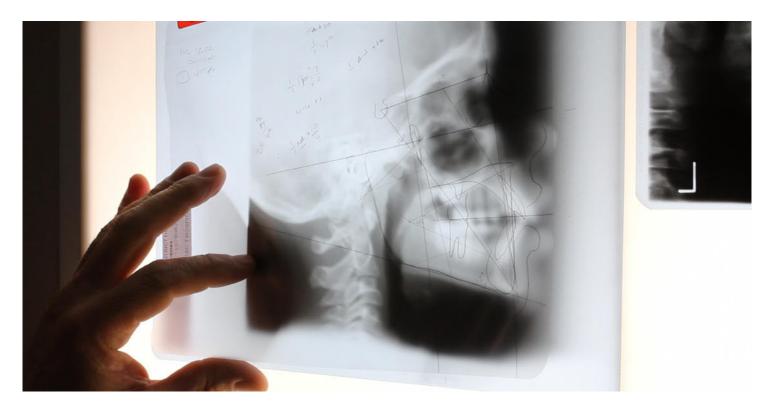
3 years - part time only



"Monash provided flexibility in online learning for Forensics, which allowed me to work primarily from home. My qualification meets standards set by legal stakeholders engaging forensic odontological services. I'm now confident in gathering, analysing and presenting dental forensic evidence and learnt from some of Australia's leading experts."

Dr Steph Baylis (photo credit: Northern Advocate NZ)





WHO IS THIS AIMED AT?

This course is ideal for medicine, dentistry, biomedical science and radiography graduates, and Registered Nurses, and will enhance your future career pathways in forensic medicine, dentistry or science.

Knowledge and skills gained will equip you to provide high quality clinical forensic services to the community.

UNITS TAUGHT

- Medical evidence
- Ethics, medicine and law
- Elements of the forensic sciences
- Injury interpretation
- Elements of forensic odontology
- Post-mortem dental identification principles and methods
- Clinical forensic odontology
- Disaster victim identification principles and methods
- Elements of forensic anthropology
- plus 18 points (3 units) of elective studies chosen from a range of specialist units

RESEARCH STREAM

Monash University is recognised globally for its research excellence. As part of the Master of Forensic Medicine, you can choose to undertake a research project, where you'll be matched with an expert supervisor in the field. Supported research areas include:

- Application and practice of forensic pharmacology and toxicology
- Human identification and forensic anthropology
- Technical aspects of forensic medicine, including forensic technical science and forensic imaging
- Sexual assault, physical assault and family violence

Completing the research stream can be used as a pathway to a PhD.

CAREER OUTCOMES

- Clinical forensic medicine practitioner
- Forensic odontologist
- Forensic medical scientist
- Forensic toxicologist
- Mortuary scientist



"The Masters in Forensic Medicine allowed me to combine my dentistry skills with my passion for forensics to pursue a career in forensic odontology. The distance learning provided flexibility, and the coursework is interesting and engaging. I now have the skills and knowledge to be involved in forensic odontological casework with confidence."

Dr Loveleen Tiwari

LEARN MORE

For further information, including entry requirements, fees and scholarships, contact our office:

FUTURE STUDENT ENQUIRIES

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