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Mortuary

The Mortuary Internship Program is designed to provide pre-baccalaureate and post-baccalaureate students hands-on and technical exposure to forensic morgue practices within a medical examiner system. Under the direct supervision of OCME Mortuary and Pathology staff, the intern will assist in decedent tracking processes, become familiar with autopsy examination procedures, review evidence collection and transfer procedures, complete radiographic and fingerprinting processes, participate in maintaining specimen and supply inventory, and complete administrative tasks. The intern will interact with medical professionals, law enforcement agents, and funeral home representatives. The intern is required to complete a small research project on a topic related to forensic pathology or mortuary operations and present the findings in a PowerPoint presentation to OCME staff at the end of the program. The internship program is available for fall, spring, or summer semesters with flexible start and end dates. The intern is expected to be available for 20-40 hours per week during the internship and report to OCME at 8:00 AM Monday thru Friday. The intern will be required to maneuver heavy weight (150 lbs.) and be subject to long periods of standing. Students currently enrolled in an associates, undergraduate, or graduate program in autopsy specialty, forensic science, mortuary science, or related field are eligible to apply.