Physical and Biological Evidence
FOS 706
30 HOURS LECTURE PLUS CONFERENCES, 3 CREDITS.
OFFERED FALL SEMESTER
This course provides an introduction to the problems encountered and the techniques used in the scientific examination of physical and biological evidence. Topics include crime scene procedures, physical evidence documentation, application of the scientific method in crime scene investigation, scientific and legal integrity of physical evidence, ethical issues, professional standards, expert testimony and the theoretical bases of methods of comparison and their influence on the interpretation of scientific data. Emphasis is placed on practical problem solving in forensic science. Students should register for this course during their first year of study.
Prerequisite(s): Coursework necessary for admission to Master of Science in Forensic Science Program.