

Thesis Prospectus

FOS 795/FOS 796/FOS 797 (Formerly FOS 791)

**1 CREDIT PER SEMESTER, PASS/FAIL GRADE GRANTED
UPON COMPLETION OF ALL THREE SEMESTERS
AND THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPROVED THESIS
PROSPECTUS. OFFERED EVERY SEMESTER**

This series of three seminar courses is designed to introduce the student to scholarly research, report writing, library research and documentation styles/techniques. Students will develop communication skills via oral (PowerPoint™) and poster presentations. Students should register for FOS 795 in their first semester of study. In FOS 795, students will interact with faculty and upper-level graduate students to foster the development of a thesis research project. Students will present journal club style presentations in FOS 796 and then progress in FOS 797 to present the development of their thesis research, from literature review and experimental design to preliminary data presentation. Students must develop a thesis prospectus by the end of FOS 797.

Prerequisite(s) for 795: Coursework necessary for admission to Master of Science in Forensic Science Program.

Prerequisite(s) for 796: FOS 795

Prerequisite(s) for 797: FOS 796