

MISSOURI WESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY

Graduate Certificate Program of Study Declaration

Student Name _____

Address _____
Street City State ZIP

Telephone _____ G# _____

Students are expected to read the regulations and policies in the **University Catalog**, the **Graduate Bulletin**, and the **Student Handbook** and to conform to them. The student, not the University or a member of the faculty or staff, is primarily responsible for knowing the regulations and policies, and for meeting the requirements for a degree or certificate.

GENERAL ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Official transcript showing completion of a B.S. or M.S. from an accredited college or university.
- Undergraduate GPA = 2.75 or higher or completion of a previous M.S.
- GRE score
- Students admitted to a graduate program must enroll and begin classes at MWSU within the next academic year after receiving official notice of acceptance from the Graduate Office
- Applicants who are not citizens of the United States must receive a score of 550 or above on the paper-based or 61 or above on the internet-based Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), unless the applicant is from a country where English is the native language or they possess a baccalaureate degree from a college or university in which the primary language of instruction was English.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- Filing of an approved Application for Graduation.
- Satisfactory completion of all required course work as listed on the approved Program of Study.
- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 in coursework required on the program of study

PROGRAM GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- Completion of 18 credit hours of the program of study.
- The specified number of graduate level hours with a grade of B or better in each course.
- An oral examination*
- A written examination*

*The Executive Director of the Southern Institute of Forensic Science and a committee appointed by Missouri Western State University's Department of Criminal Justice and Legal Studies will determine successful completion of these exams.

Program:	Certificate – Forensic Investigation	60B
Option:	Forensic Investigation	
Catalog Year: 2011-2012	Expires: 2014-2015	

Graduate Advisor _____

Student's Signature _____ Date _____

Program Director's Signature or Chairperson's Signature _____ Date _____

Graduate Dean Signature _____ Date _____

Registrar's Signature _____ Date _____

Core Requirement Courses		6 Credits	
		Credits	Grade
LAW 500	Basic Forensic Pathology & Death Investigations	3	
LAW 600	Criminal Law, Evidence & Legal Procedures	3	
Restricted Electives – At least 6 hours must be 600 level (Choose 12 credit hours from the following courses):			
LAW505	Research Methods in Criminal Justice	3	
LAW510	Bloodstain Pattern Analysis in Violent Crimes	3	
LAW515	Forensic Photography and Crime Scene Investigation	3	
LAW520	Quantitative Analysis in Criminal Justice	2	
LAW525	Forensic Anthropology for Law Enforcement	3	
LAW530	Introduction to Computer Forensics	3	
LAW 535	Intro to Computer Forensics	3	
LAW540	Forensic Entomology	3	
LAW 5**	Special Topics	3	
LAW610	Moot Court	3	
LAW 620	Analysis of Biological Evidence	3	
LAW 630	Analysis of Physical Evidence	3	
LAW650	Advanced Research Methods	3	
LAW680	Research and Publication	3-6	
LAW 6**	Special Topics	3	
Total Degree Hours		18	

This form is not official until signed by the Registrar.