The Forensic Science program at SJSU offers degree concentrations in Chemistry and Biology, as well as a certificate program in Crime Scene Investigation. Students take basic and advanced biology and chemistry courses to build a strong foundation in the sciences. Additional departmental course offerings include:

- FS 11 Survey of Forensic Science
- FS 160 Special Topics in Forensic Science
  - Blood Spatter Analysis
  - Facial Reconstruction
  - DNA and Crime
- FS 161 Crime Scene Investigation
- FS 162 Forensic Science Applications
- FS 163 Fingerprint Science
- FS 164 Crime Scene and Evidence Photography
- FS 165 Forensic Biometrics
- FS 166 Forensic Chemistry
- FS 167 Forensic Molecular Biology
- FS 168 Fluorescent Applications in Molecular Biology and Forensic Science
- FS 169 Forensic Science Senior Seminar
- FS 170 Forensic Science Internship

GRADUATES
Graduates of our program work in local and federal crime labs; and biotechnology, chemical and pharmaceutical industries. Many continue their education in forensic science masters programs, or in biology and chemistry PhD programs.
FORENSIC SCIENCE SEMINAR SERIES
Our speaker series brings internationally known experts in forensic science to campus every semester. Past speakers include:

- Dr. John Dehaan (Fireex Forensics): Fire Debris
- Dr. John Tonkyn (CA DOJ DNA Laboratory): Missing Persons Investigation
- Rockne Harmon (Cold Case Consultant): Familial DNA Searching
- Ron Nichols (ATF): Firearms and Toolmarks
- Bruce Wiley (SCCDA): Homicide Investigation
- Rosa Vega (SCCME): Forensic Death Investigation
- Dr. George Sensabaugh (UC Berkeley): Future of Forensic Science Education
- Fred Tulleners (UC Davis): MS Program in Forensic Science
- Rich Reneau (SCC): Fingerprints
- Dr. John Bond (University of Leicester, UK): Fingerprint Corrosion on Metals
- Pamela Hofsass (SFPD): Familial DNA Case Study
- Carolyn Gannett (SDSCL): Ethics in Forensic Science
- Mark Bennett: (OPD) Shooting Incident Reconstruction
- Gloria Nusse (SFU): Facial Reconstruction
- Dr. Keith Inman (CSU East Bay): The Origin of Error in Forensic Science
- Mary Roach (NYT Best Selling Author): Stiff: The Curious Lives of Human Cadavers
- Dr. Cristian Orrego Benavente (UC Berkeley): Forensic Science and Human Rights
- Gilbert Zamora (SJPD): Forensic Artistry

INTERNSHIPS
Past and current internships are available to FS students at the Santa Clara County Crime Lab, Santa Clara Medical Examiner’s Office, San Mateo County Crime Lab, NCIS San Diego, Walnut Creek, Contra Costa County Crime Lab, Lawrence Berkeley National Lab, Alameda County Crime Lab, and San Francisco Police Department Crime Laboratory.

FACULTY
Steven Lee, PhD, Program Director and Professor
Mary Juno, MSc, Lecturer and Advisor

Additional information is available at the program website, http://www.sjsu.edu/justicestudies/degrees/bs-forensic-science/

RESEARCH
Interdisciplinary research in the department is active and federally funded by NSF and HHMI, and by CAC student scholarships. Recent student research projects have included “Comparing Wearer DNA Sample Collection Methods” and “The Recovery of DNA on Improvised Incendiary Devices”.

CONFERENCES
SJSU hosted the AAFS Forensic Science Education Conference in 2011 and will host again in 2012. SJSU will also be the site of the fall 2012 CAC Conference.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT
Forensic Science students get deeply involved every semester in various emergency preparedness projects. These include Project Urban Shield, a hazmat crime scene scenario training for law enforcement, and the Earthquake Disaster Drill at San Jose Airport.

FORENSIC SCIENCE STUDENTS (FSS)
The purpose of the FSS is to provide a forum for forensic science students to exchange information on courses, research, scholarships, internships and other opportunities; to provide a mentor/mentee platform; to build strong relationships with peers; to facilitate professional contacts within the forensic science community by hosting seminars and guest speakers; and to make available activities which reflect the interests of the group. Active FSS members also have the option to graduate with Forensic Science Students regalia.
Find us on FACEBOOK: San Jose State University Forensic Science Students