



Des Moines Area Community College
Mortuary Science Program
State Board Survey

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State Board Website:	* <input type="text" value="www.health.state.mn.us/divs/hpsc/mortsci"/>		

DMACC Mortuary Science Student Professional Activities

As part of Funeral Home-based option of the Des Moines Area Community College Mortuary Science Program, each student must complete the following activities:

- Assist with at least 20 embalming cases
- Assist with the cosmetic application of at least 5 deceased human remains
- Observe or assist with at least 5 funerals or memorial services
- Assist with at least 3 transfers of remains
- Observe or assist with a cremation

All of the activities above must be accomplished in the physical presence of a licensed Funeral Director / Embalmer.

Please answer each of the following questions based upon the laws and rules of your state:

Can a student in an accredited Mortuary Science program assist a funeral director / embalmer with an embalming at a licensed funeral establishment in your state?

- Yes
- No

Can a student in an accredited Mortuary Science program assist a funeral director / embalmer with a transfer of human remains at a licensed funeral establishment in your state?

- Yes
- No

Can a student in an accredited Mortuary Science program observe or assist a funeral professional with a cremation at a cremation establishment in your state?

- Yes
- No

Can a student in an accredited Mortuary Science program observe a funeral director during an arrangement conference at a licensed funeral establishment in your state?

- Yes
- No

Can a student in an accredited Mortuary Science program observe or assist a funeral director during a funeral at a licensed funeral establishment in your state?

- Yes

No

Are there any state law limitations on the activities with which a student in an ABFSE-accredited program can assist or observe? If so, please identify the limitations.

*Signing Death Certificates

State Internship

Is an internship required to become a licensed Funeral Director / Embalmer in your state?

- Yes
 No

What is the length of the internship in your state?

*12 months

Can any part of the internship be completed prior to enrolling in an accredited Mortuary Science program?

- Yes
 No

Can any part of the internship be completed while a student is enrolled in an accredited Mortuary Science program?

- Yes
 No

State Law Requirements

Are students required to register with your State Board prior to or during enrollment in an accredited Mortuary Science program?

- Yes
 No

Which of the following must be completed for a student enrolled in a Mortuary Science program and completing professional activities in your state?

- State Board Application / Registration
 Enrollment Verification from the Mortuary Science program
 Other

Is passage of the National Board Exam required for licensure in your state?

- Yes
 No

Is passage of a State Board Examination required for licensure in your state?

- Yes
 No

Are the state laws and rules for your state available online? If so, at what web address?

*www.health.state.mn.us/divs/hpsc/mortsci

In addition to an ABFSE-accredited Mortuary Science program, what education is required for students to become licensed as a Funeral Director / Embalmer in your state?

*149A.20, subd.4. Educational Requirements
-Bachelor of Science degree with a major in mortuary science
-Received a bachelor of science or arts degree from accredited college or university and

completed a separate course of study in mortuary science from a program of mortuary science accredited by ABFSE

-complete credit hours at accredited colleges that in the numerical aggregate and distribution are the functional equivalent of a bachelor of arts or science degree and have completed a separate course of study in mortuary science from a program of mortuary science accredited by the ABFSE

Are there any other state law limitations, processes or information with which we should be familiar in order to better serve the students in your state?

*If a student is enrolled in an accredited program and the program requirements are that they spend time in a funeral home setting; they are required to contact our office at a minimum of 2 weeks prior to beginning the work along with a "Enrollment Verification Letter". Our office will not provide students who are more than one year out from graduation credentials to work in MN.