DMACC Mortuary Science Program  
Preceptor Manual and Training  
General Overview

The Program Chair and faculty here at the DMACC Mortuary Science Program would like to sincerely thank you for taking part in the funeral service educational process. Your active participation in the student’s education is vital to their success and to the perpetuation of funeral service for generations to come.

This Preceptor Manual is designed as a guide to aid the preceptor in three different scenarios:

1) For those funeral directors who are supervising students in DMACC’s Funeral Home-Based Option;
2) For those funeral directors who are supervising students in the program’s capstone course: MOR 941 – Funeral Service Practicum; and
3) For those funeral directors who have hired a student to complete their Iowa Internship

Why Preceptor Training?

There are three reasons that a funeral director who wishes to participate in the educational process of a student or hire/supervise an intern/practicum student would complete this training. First, the American Board of Funeral Service Education (abfse.org) requires that any licensee who works with a student must receive training “about the school’s requirements concerning knowledge base, competency, and evaluation of student procedures and criteria. The training must include an on- or off-campus workshop and/or a manual pertaining to the training and methods of evaluation.” (Chapter IX ABFSE Accreditation Standards).

Secondly, the State of Iowa requires that “a preceptor must have completed a training course within five years prior to accepting an intern. This training course shall cover Iowa law and rule content areas, including but not limited to Iowa law and rules governing licensure and the practice of mortuary science and human resource issues.” (Iowa Laws & Rules: 645 – 101.5(2) Preceptorship). This training also applies to an Iowa funeral director who supervises a practicum student (645 – 101.6).

Finally, we know that funeral directors who work with students and interns want to train them the correct way, and want to know the expectations when working with the students and interns.
This manual will cover, in a course-by-course format, what will be expected of the student throughout their educational process here at DMACC. It will also contain an outline and course requirements for students who are nearing completion of the program (i.e. in the final Practicum course) and are gaining practical experiences in a licensed funeral home.

For Iowa funeral directors, there is an accompanying video presentation and quiz that you will complete in order to receive credit for continuing education. These resources can be found under the “Funeral Director” icon at the DMACC Mortuary Science website: funeral.dmacc.edu. A funeral director who completes the training and submits the quiz will receive two (2) hours of continuing education.

Again, thank you very much for your decision to participate in the funeral service educational process.
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DMACC Mortuary Science Student and Preceptor Responsibilities

The following is a brief description of what a practicum student and preceptor should be accomplishing during the program.

Student Responsibilities:

- The student may only work under the direct supervision of a licensed funeral director and therefore cannot perform any aspect of professional activities by him/herself.
- The student should come to the funeral home on time and dressed appropriately.
- The student should complete enough hours at the funeral home to complete the assigned activities. This time can include study time if there are no services at the funeral home. If this includes activities during the night, the funeral home assumes the responsibility for the student’s safety.
- The student should actively participate in embalming cases.
- The student should participate in funeral services. This can include the student setting up and assisting during a visitation, assisting during a funeral.
- The student should observe arrangement conferences. During this time, they will take notes on the information which is needed during the conference and be able to complete the forms following the arrangements.
- The student should assist a funeral director to make removals. It is essential that students gain an understanding of the procedures used to transfer the remains to the funeral home.
- The student will complete online work, as well as an on-campus review with the instructor to prepare for the National Board Examination.
- The student will be asked to familiarize himself/herself with the products and services offered by the funeral home as well as the collection policies.
- The instructor will visit each student during the practicum. During that visit, the student will conduct an arrangement conference for a member of the instructor’s family.
Preceptor Responsibilities:

- The preceptor should serve as a mentor to the student.
- The preceptor should work with the student to schedule adequate experiences for the student to learn professional skills, such as assisting with the arrangement conference, funerals and embalming.
- Treat the student as a professional. Please do not require the student to paint the garage, mow the lawn and make all the night time removals, while not giving the student the opportunity to observe an arrangement conference, embalm a body, or assist with a funeral.
- Teach the student about the products, services and pricing offered at your funeral home. They will need this information to complete the arrangement conference with the instructor when the Practicum visit is conducted.
- Read and sign all reports completed by the student.
DMACC Student Activities

DMACC students are given two options for completing the program: on-campus and in a funeral home based option. They take the same exams; they are given the same material; the only difference is how / where they receive their practical experiences.

In the on-campus section, the faculty schedule days to complete all the course activities and requirements, while in the Funeral Home based option, the student works with the Preceptor / Funeral Director to coordinate those activities at some point during the semester.

Students who elect to participate in the funeral home-based option will receive their education in four ways:

- Academic content delivered in an online format;
- Interactive chat sessions with the program faculty members;
- On-campus days where the student will demonstrate proficiency; and
- Working under the direct supervision of a licensed funeral director (i.e. Preceptor) to complete all course-required activities.

All of the courses offered in the DMACC curriculum may be taken in the Funeral Home based or on-campus format (except for Practicum and Professional Review which must be taken in the funeral home setting); there are, however, stipulations that apply to certain courses. The following courses require a funeral home affiliation (Appendix), as well as the Hep B Vaccination form (Appendix) and the Exposure Liability form (Appendix) - which outlines who is responsible in the event of a needlestick:

- MOR 302 – Cremation Services
- MOR 326 – Funeral Home Operations *
- MOR 330 – Funeral Merchandising
- MOR 336 – Embalming I Clinical
- MOR 341 – Embalming II Clinical *
- MOR 346 – Restorative Art Lab *
- MOR 941 – Funeral Service Practicum

Those courses marked with an *, designate the courses which require the students to come to campus for fulfill a portion of the course requirements.

The following section will give the preceptor an overview of the requirements and expectations for each of these FHB courses that require the funeral home affiliation.
MOR 302 - Cremation Services

Crematory Visit
Each student will be required to visit a crematory to learn the process of cremation.

For on-campus students, this will be planned as an organized field trip to a local crematory.

For online students, please work with your preceptor to schedule a visit to a local crematory.

Preceptor Role: We ask the preceptors to assist the student in scheduling the visit to the crematory and explaining the process used to prepare the body for cremation as well as the legal requirements for cremation.

Please read and initial the Cremation Checklist (Appendix).
**MOR 326 - Funeral Home Operations**

**Transfer of Remains**
Each student should assist with a transfer of remains.

For on-campus students, this will be planned using the “Manikin” on the Ankeny campus.

For online students, please work with your preceptor to find a time to complete this assignment.

Students are required to dress professionally before participating this transfer.

**Preceptor Role:** We ask the preceptors to demonstrate how the cot works, and then allow the student to utilize the cot to lower / raise the cot level, place the cot in the removal vehicle, and to transfer the deceased human remains onto and transfer off of the cot. Then, read and sign the course checklist (Appendix).

**Observe Religious Funeral Ceremonies**
During the semester, each student must observe an arrangement conference, assist with a visitation setup, and observe at least three funerals. In a recent study of funeral service education, it was discovered that less than 50% of graduates in the country have been to a funeral to observe the funeral director's role.

For on-campus and funeral home based students, the faculty member coordinates a visit to a variety of activities at different places of worship in the Des Moines area, to include:
- mock Roman Catholic funeral mass;
- mock non-liturgical protestant funeral;
- visit to a Jewish Synagogue; and
- mock Greek Orthodox funeral.

**Preceptor Role:** Only if the student were not able to attend the on-campus sessions, the preceptor would be asked to help the student coordinate an observation of at least three of the above religious services (the last two items may be replaced by anything other than non-liturgical protestant and Roman Catholic services). If needed, please read and sign the course checklist (Appendix 3).

**Setup Religious Visitations**
While on-campus, all students will demonstrate that he/she can set up a visitation for the various religious customs discussed in the courses by drawing a visitation setup out of an urn and setting it up while on campus.

If a student is not able to attend the on-campus times, they would receive an incomplete until they were able to complete the activity.
Preceptor Role: While the preceptor is not required, it is helpful if the student has assisted with setting up visitations at the funeral home prior to coming to campus.

**Observe and Conduct Arrangement Conferences**
While we understand students cannot conduct arrangements without observing an arrangement conference, we desire them to learn from their preceptors regarding arrangement conferences.

Preceptor Role: While you, the preceptor, are conducting arrangements, ask the family if they would mind if a student sat in on the conference to take notes on how to conduct the arrangements, then allow the student to observe you, while the student completes an arrangement form for the same information you are collecting.

Read and sign the course checklist (Appendix).

**Student Death Certificates**
The student will use the fillable forms which are attached to the assignment page to complete HIS / HER OWN Death Certificate. These forms are directly from the Iowa Department of Public Health and the student you will need to be able to fill in a .pdf form in order to complete them.

While not all students are in Iowa, we utilize the pdf fillable Iowa Death Certificate with permission. For students not in Iowa, the form format may be different, but the material contained in it, should be the same.

Preceptor Role: While the student is completing this form, allow them to ask you how to complete the form, as some items may not be understood by the student as they complete the form.

**Student Register Book Assignment**
The student will need input his/her own information into the system to prepare a register book for him/herself.

Preceptor Role: Minimal assistance should be needed in them completing this assignment, though the student may have questions about the items contained in the register book.

**Mock Funeral Arrangement Conferences**
One of the most important parts of the funeralization process for the funeral director is the arrangement conference. As funeral directors, this is the time when you obtain all the necessary information for the death certificate, the register book, to plan the service, and to complete an obituary. For four (4) assignments, the student will utilize the processes learned from you, the preceptor or fellow students, to conduct mock arrangements. The assignments are 3 death certificates and a register book.
For students in an on-campus section, the instructor will assign students to pairs and each student will have an opportunity to conduct the arrangement conference with another person.

For online students, students will work with the preceptor to discuss how arrangement conferences are conducted at that funeral home. Each student will then meet with the preceptor; the preceptor will role play the part of the informant and you will serve as the funeral director in obtaining the information.

**Preceptor Role:** Meet with, or ask other funeral directors to meet with the student and play the role of a family member who has lost a loved one, while the student performs the role of the Funeral Directors in obtaining the information.

**Funeral Ceremony**
Each student group will be given a scenario and will be given the task of organizing, planning and executing a funeral ceremony that is non-religious. The group will produce the needed register book, memorial folders, etc, and will be responsible for all music and/or video production.

The instructor will provide an example of a non-religious funeral and information about how to conduct a non-religious funeral. The groups will work together to plan and conduct the funeral and committal service on the date scheduled.

**Preceptor Role:** There is no preceptor role for this activity, as it must be conducted on campus.
MOR 330 – Funeral Merchandising

Casket Parts Activity Assignment
Each student will take digital photos of four (4) distinct caskets at your funeral home. The student will insert those photos into a word document and then identify the following parts on those caskets from each of the categories below (e.g. composition, hardware, etc).

Preceptor Role: Allow the student to take photos of the caskets (or casket parts) to place into the assignment. You will also guide them to understanding the various materials used and the anatomy of the casket.

Vault Company Visit Assignment
With the assistance of the preceptor, visit / tour a burial vault company.

Online students may also join the on-campus students to attend the visit to the Watts Vault & Monument Company in Altoona, IA to fulfill this requirement. Email the instructor for dates and times.

Preceptor Role: Contact your burial vault supplier to arrange for a tour of the vault plant, then take the student on the vault tour. Then, read and sign the course checklist (Appendix 4).

Selection Room Visit Assignment
Visit a casket selection room in a funeral home or casket store at which the student is not employed. (In addition, DO NOT use the selection rooms at Hamilton’s Funeral Home, Dunn’s Funeral Home, or Ankeny Funeral Home, as we visit these on-campus.)

The student will make mental notes of how they set up the selection room and what merchandise they have in the room. Other aspects the student will recognize: the total number of caskets displayed; the types of caskets (wood, gasketed metal, non-gasketed metal, cremation containers); the number of each type of casket; additional merchandise located in the room; the type of lighting; the style (color) of the carpet and walls; any memorialization / personalization items that are displayed with the caskets; and the way in which the caskets are displayed (full caskets, corner cuts, half cuts, computer images, lithographs, etc).

Preceptor Role: The preceptor should arrange for the visit to another funeral home for the student. This may mean having the student visit the funeral home by himself / herself.
MOR 336 - Embalming I Clinical

**Embalming Requirements**
Each student must complete a minimum of 10 embalming cases during the semester.

**DMACC Role:** At the beginning of this course, the Embalming class has a section on OSHA which includes information for the student on Hepatitis B vaccination, exposure liability and the applicable OSHA standards.

**Preceptor Role:** This is where your role becomes absolutely essential. You can help or harm the student’s educational experience a great deal in this single area.

If you only allow the student to observe without performing any embalming activities, or if you only allow the student to aspirate, the student will only learn minimal skills and will graduate without having a command of these skills.

If you allow students to perform these activities while you are instructing and observing, the student will learn through that experience and have the potential to become a good embalmer over time. Here are our ways in which you can help the student in gaining the skills needed:

- Allow the student to set features, while sometimes the case may dictate the amount of involvement, be sure to let them attempt this important aspect. The worst case scenario is that you will need to correct before injection.
- Allow the student to set out the fluids to be used on the counter near the embalming machine and tell you how many ounces of each need to be mixed into the solution and tell you WHY those chemicals are used. At this point, please resist the tendency to grab the fluids for them. Also, resist telling them their mixture won’t work just because it may be different than yours. Analyze whether their thought process was correct in selecting the fluids. As an example, if the student picked 20 ounces of a 28 index fluid, and you would have picked a 28 ounces of a 20 index fluid, consider if the fluids have everything else the same, and if so, discuss why you would have picked the lower index. In this case, do not allow the student to pour it into the Embalming machine until you have approved it and they have explained why they chose that chemical(s).
- Allow the student to make the incision and raise the vessels. If they have difficulty, one of the techniques you can use early on is to raise the vessels and then replace them into the incision, without ligature and ask the student to raise them. This enables the student to learn by doing.
- Allow the student to aspirate, though you may wish to double check before you allow the student to inject cavity fluid.
- Allow the student to perform all the functions of initial and terminal disinfection.

Read and Sign each embalming report (Appendix).
**Embalming I Certification Process**
The student will be required to complete all items on the Certification Checklist (Appendix) in order to pass the MOR 336 Clinical course. This form will be submitted along with the student's case reports by the Friday before Finals week.

**Looking ahead to Embalming II Clinical:** To successfully complete the Embalming II Clinical course, the student will be required to demonstrate competence in the embalming lab and be certified in the general techniques of embalming.

To be certified, the student will schedule a time with the DMACC Clinical Lab Supervisor to embalm a body, start to finish, in the presence of (and without assistance from) the DMACC Clinical Lab Supervisor. Failure to successfully embalm the body unassisted will result in a failing grade for the course.

To pass the certification case, the student must score at least an 80%. A grading rubric covering all areas of the embalming process will be used during the case to determine the students overall score. If a student scores less than 80% on the certification case, he or she will receive a "D" for the course, regardless of the number of cases submitted.

**Preceptor Role:** Complete and sign the form (Appendix 6) for the student.
**Embalming Requirements**
Each student must complete a minimum of 10 embalming cases during the semester.

**Preceptor Role:** This is where your role becomes absolutely essential. You can help or harm the student’s educational experience a great deal in this single area.

If you only allow the student to observe without performing any embalming activities, or if you only allow the student to aspirate, the student will only learn minimal skills and will graduate without having a command of these skills.

If you allow students to perform these activities while you are instructing and observing, the student will learn through that experience and have the potential to become a good embalmer over time. Here are our ways in which you can help the student in gaining the skills needed:

- Allow the student to set features, while sometimes the case may dictate the amount of involvement, be sure to let them attempt this important aspect. The worst case scenario is that you will need to correct before injection.
- Allow the student to set out the fluids to be used on the counter near the embalming machine and tell you how many ounces of each need to be mixed into the solution and tell you WHY those chemicals are used. At this point, please resist the tendency to grab the fluids for them. Also, resist telling them their mixture won’t work just because it may be different than yours. Analyze whether their thought process was correct in selecting the fluids. Do not allow the student to pour it into the Embalming machine until you have approved it and they have explained why they chose that chemical(s).
- Allow the student to make the incision and raise the vessels. If they have difficulty, one of the techniques you can use early on is to raise the vessels and then replace them into the incision, without ligature and ask the student to raise them. This enables the student to learn by doing.
- Allow the student to aspirate, though you may wish to double check before you allow the student to inject cavity fluid.
- Allow the student to perform all the functions of initial and terminal disinfection.

Read and Sign each embalming report (Appendix 5).
Embalming II Certification Process

To meet the requirements of accreditation and successfully complete the Embalming II Clinical course, the student will be required to demonstrate competence in the embalming lab and be certified in the general techniques of embalming. These techniques include: mixing solution, setting features, raising vessels (at primary and secondary injection sites), arterial solution injection, suturing incisions, aspiration and cavity treatment, and primary, concurrent, and terminal disinfection.

To be certified, the student will embalm a case under the direct supervision of a faculty member, at which time the student will embalm the body, start to finish, without assistance from the instructor. Failure to successfully embalm the body will result in a failing grade for the course.

To be certified, the student must earn at least an 80% on the certification embalming case. If the student scores less than 80% on the certification case, regardless of the number of points accumulated through normal casework, attendance, etc., the student will not pass Embalming II Clinical.

Preceptor Role: Help the student to perform as many functions as possible during the earlier embalming cases, as it has a direct impact on their ability during this certification process.
MOR 346 - Restorative Art Lab

**Cosmetic Applications**
While the accrediting body does not require any students to complete a cosmetic application, the faculty members in the DMACC Mortuary Science program hold the strong belief that it is an important skill for funeral directors to possess. Each student will participate in the application of cosmetics to actual deceased human remains.

**Preceptor Role:** Demonstrate the cosmetic application process to the student, then allow the student to participate in the application process. Then read and sign the Restorative Art Report (Appendix 7).

**Modeling Activities**
Each student must complete the wax restoration of eyes, ears (right and left), a nose and a mouth on a plastic skeletal armature. The student will have access to videos which will guide them as well as time on campus to complete the wax restorations.

**Preceptor Role:** Minimal as the accrediting body requires students to come to campus for this course, though no reason for the requirement is given in the standards.
Funeral Service Practicum is a capstone course (the final course in the program). This course provides students with practical experiences in a funeral home setting. During this course, students will work in a funeral home. While there, the student will participate in embalming cases, funerals, and any other tasks which are available at the time. Students will be assigned to a funeral home (approved by DMACC) to learn procedures and policies of the funeral home and perform duties directly relating to the practice of funeral service as assigned by the preceptor, licensed funeral home staff and faculty members.

**Transfer of Remains**
Each student will assist the preceptor/funeral director with two (2) transfers of remains during the course.

**Preceptor Role:** Allow the student to participate in two (2) transfers of remains, then read and sign the Practicum Checklist (Appendix 8).

**Embalming Cases**
Each student will embalm five (5) bodies during the practicum. By this time, the student will have embalmed at least 20 cases and should be able to understand the general procedure in the embalming room, if not proficient at many functions of the embalming process.

**Preceptor Role:** Preceptor Role: Allow the student to participate in observing and assisting with five (5) funerals, then read and sign the Embalming Reports (Appendix 5).

**Cosmetic Applications**
Each student will participate in the cosmetic application of five (5) deceased human remains.

**Preceptor Role:** Allow the student to participate in five (5) cosmetic applications and observing, then read and sign the Practicum Checklist (Appendix 8).

**Observe an Arrangement Conference**
Each student will observe your preceptor/funeral director as they meet with a family member to arrange a funeral for a deceased person.

**Preceptor Role:** Allow the student to participate in observing an arrangement conference, then read and sign the Practicum Checklist (Appendix 8).

**Visitation Setups**
Each student will assist your preceptor/funeral director in setting up two (2) visitations for the funeral home.
**Preceptor Role:** Allow the student to participate in setting up two (2) visitations, then read and sign the Practicum Checklist (Appendix 8).

**Funerals**
Each student will participate in five (5) funerals during the practicum.

**Preceptor Role:** Allow the student to participate in observing and assisting with five (5) funerals, then read and sign the Practicum Checklist (Appendix 8).

**Arrangement Conference Project**
At a scheduled time, the instructor will visit each student at the funeral home. The instructor will play the role of an informant planning funeral ceremonies for a deceased person. The day before the scheduled visit, the instructor will send an email with the name of the deceased and relationship to the informant (instructor) to the student. The student will assume the role of the funeral director who meets the informant and conducts the arrangement conference to plan services for the deceased. The informant may desire a variety of services and goods, so the funeral director (student) should be knowledgeable to present the goods, services and prices in an intelligent and understandable manner. The student is expected to comply with all FTC and state regulations.

At the conclusion of the arrangements conference, the student will provide the informant (instructor) with an itemized statement of goods and services (per FTC regulations.)

Following the arrangement conference, the student will complete a number of deliverables, such as a death certificate, register book and folders. The paper products are provided by the program.

**Preceptor Role:** Allow the faculty member to visit the funeral home and student.
Preceptor Rules and Qualifications

This portion of the manual will deal with the specific Iowa laws and rules, as well as the American Board of Funeral Service Education (ABFSE) standards that govern preceptors for both students and interns.

ABFSE Requirements

There are three standards which speak directly to the requirements of the Preceptor who is working with any student. We list the excerpt of the standards below.

Standard 8: Facilities (Excerpt)

8.2 Off-Campus Instructional Sites: Instruction at off-campus locations is generally in the form of practicum, internship, or embalming instruction. Whenever students receive program credit for work carried out off the main campus, the following facilities requirements must be in effect:

8.2.1 Funeral homes in which off-campus instruction takes place must be licensed by the appropriate authorities;

8.2.2 Off-campus instruction must take place in locations which offer adequate learning space for students involved. In the case of instruction in embalming, preparation room facilities must be of sufficient size to allow for satisfactory participation by each student involved

8.2.3 The program must have written affiliation agreements with each off-campus instructional site. Each agreement must specify the responsibilities of the program/institution and the instructional site relative to supervision and instruction of students and liability. Where appropriate, and in accordance with institutional policies, personnel at the instructional site may be given adjunct faculty appointments by the institution; and

8.2.4 All facilities must satisfy federal, state, and local regulations.

Standard 6: Curriculum (Excerpt)

6.4 Embalming Cases

6.4.7 If preceptors are used, there must be an identified certification process in place and proper documentation that each preceptor has been properly oriented about the school's requirements concerning knowledge base, competency, and evaluation of student procedures and criteria. The training must include an on- or off-campus workshop and/or a manual pertaining to the training and methods of evaluation. In addition, preceptors must meet the requirements of Standard 7.2.4a and be certified as indicated in Standard 7.3.

6.4.8 Off-campus instructional sites where students receive college credit are to be physically visited by a representative of the program and approved prior to the start of instruction. Instruction includes management, funeral directing and clinical. These visits must occur at least biennially or prior to each use if the use occurs intermittently over a period of several years. Visits must also occur whenever physical changes to the facility are reported. Inspections of off-campus instruction sites must ensure the location has a valid, current license. In addition, inspections must ensure that off-campus sites are clean and adequate for instructional purposes. The inspection must ensure that appropriate equipment and protocols (drench shower, eye wash station, SDS
[formerly MSDS] and blood borne pathogen program, ventilation system, proper protective equipment, etc.) are in place and functioning.

6.4.9 Signed affiliation agreements must be maintained by each program. The agreements must include a stated process for interrupting the clinical experience and recourse dismissal of a student from clinical experience and a clear definition of what is to be expected of the preceptor and what is provided by the program.

Standard 7: Faculty (Excerpt)

7.2.4.e all personnel serving as off-campus preceptors must be licensed as Funeral Directors, Embalmers, or both, and, after January 1, 1989, embalming preceptors must be graduates of ABFSE accredited programs or, for programs outside the U.S., graduates of a post-secondary funeral service program equivalent to ABFSE accredited programs.

7.3 Preceptor credentials must be certified in one of the following ways by the program:

7.3.1 Have on file an official transcript from the accredited funeral service institution from which the preceptor graduated plus a copy of his or her state license;

7.3.2 Have on file a copy of the preceptor's license from the State Board of Funeral Service and Embalming (if the state requires graduation from an ABFSE accredited program)

7.3.3 Have on file a copy of (or be able to provide access to) verification from the State web site that the preceptor is licensed in the state (if the state required graduation from an ABFSE accredited program) with the name of the preceptor and date of the issuance of the license maintained by the program.

Additional Iowa Laws & Rules

645—101.6(156) Student practicum

101.6(1) A student may participate in a student practicum in a licensed funeral establishment in Iowa if the student's school is accredited by and in good standing with the American Board of Funeral Service Education (ABFSE). The student practicum must meet the requirements of the ABFSE.

101.6(2) Students serving a practicum in Iowa shall be under the direct physical supervision of a funeral director who meets the following requirements:
   a. Has completed the Iowa preceptor training course within the immediately preceding five years.
   b. Has not had any formal disciplinary action within the past five years.
   c. Is affiliated with a funeral establishment that has not had formal disciplinary action within the past five years.
How DMACC Meets these standards:

Because every student in the DMACC Mortuary Science program must fulfill part of their coursework in a funeral home, this standards will be applied for every student in the program. The student may complete their Funeral Home based coursework or their Practicum requirements at a funeral establishment that is located either in or out of Iowa. This funeral establishment must be in compliance with all applicable state regulations that pertain to the presence of a student in the funeral establishment setting.

To meet the standards, DMACC requires the funeral home with which a student needs to work to complete an affiliation agreement (Appendix 1). Once this form is received in the program office, the program chair will verify the funeral home meets the qualifications as set forth by the accreditation standards or Iowa laws. A listing of these requirements includes:

- Insure a signed affiliation agreement is on file.
- Insure there is no discipline against the funeral home for the past 5 years (Iowa laws and rules).
- Document proper licensure in the state in which the funeral home is located (this is usually done through an electronic search of the listing on State Board websites).
- Beginning in the Fall 2013, we will have a program representative visit the funeral home PRIOR to any instruction. This means, we will not count any coursework / embalming cases until the visit is accomplished. This is completed by either a visit from a Program faculty member or by a funeral director whose credentials can be verified in the same method as the preceptors, who will visit the funeral home. For many funeral homes, this will be accomplished by having the preceptor identify a funeral director in their area who will visit them. The student will notify the program of the visitor name and email address and the program will contract with the funeral director for the sole purpose of visiting with the funeral home.

Once the funeral home verification is complete, the program chair then verifies that that Preceptor meets the requirements. These requirements include:

- Documentation of licensure;
- Documentation of graduation from an ABFSE program;
- Verification of no discipline within the past 5 years (Iowa laws and rules);
- Verification of licensure for at least 1 year (ABFSE Standards); and
- Completion of preceptor training or receiving of this manual.
Preceptor Requirements for an Intern

645—101.5(147,156) Internship and preceptorship.

101.5(1) Internship.

a. The intern must serve a minimum of one year of internship under the direct supervision of an Iowa board-certified preceptor. The beginning and ending dates of the internship shall be indicated on the internship certificate. The intern shall engage in the practice of mortuary science only during the time indicated on the internship certificate.

b. The intern shall, during the internship, be a full-time employee with the funeral establishment at the site of internship except as provided in paragraph 101.5(2) "j."

c. No licensed funeral director shall permit any person in the funeral director's employ or under the funeral director's supervision or control to serve an internship in funeral directing unless that person has a certificate of registration as a registered intern from the department of public health. The registration shall be posted in a conspicuous place in the intern's primary place of practice.

d. No licensed funeral director or licensed funeral establishment shall have more than one intern funeral director for the first 100 human remains embalmed or funerals conducted per year, and with a maximum of two interns per funeral establishment.

e. Registered interns shall not advertise or hold themselves out as funeral directors or use the degree F.D. or any other title or abbreviation indicating that the intern is a funeral director.

f. The intern shall, during the internship, embalm not fewer than 25 human remains and direct or assist in the direction of not fewer than 25 funerals under the direct supervision of the certified preceptor and shall submit reports on forms furnished by the department of public health. Work on the first 5 embalming cases and funeral cases must be completed in the physical presence of the preceptor. The first 12 embalming cases and the first 12 funeral case reports must be completed and submitted by the completion of the sixth month of the internship.

g. Before being eligible for licensure, the intern must have filed the 25 completed embalming and funeral directing case reports and a 6-month and a 12-month evaluation form with the department of public health.

h. When, for any valid reason, the board determines that the education a registered intern is receiving under the supervision of the present preceptor might be detrimental to the intern or the profession at large, the intern may be required to serve the remainder of the internship under the supervision of a licensed funeral director who is approved by the board.

i. The length of an internship may be extended if the board determines that the intern requires additional time or supervision in order to meet the minimum proficiency in the practice of mortuary science.

j. The board views a one-year internship completed in a consecutive 12-month period as the best training option. If an internship is interrupted, the internship must be completed within 24 months of the date it started in order to be readily accepted by the board. Internships that are not completed within 24 months shall be preapproved by the board on such terms as the board deems reasonable under the circumstances. The board may require any or all of the following:

(1) Completion of a college course or continuing education course covering mortuary science laws and rules;
(2) Additional case reports;
(3) Extension of an internship up to an additional 12 months depending on such factors as the number of months completed during the internship, length of time that has lapsed since the intern was actively involved in the internship program, and the experience attained by the intern.

k. Application for change of preceptor or any other alteration must be made in writing and approval granted by the board before the status of the intern is altered.
l. The intern shall complete on a form provided by the board a confidential evaluation of the preceptorship program at the end of the internship. This form shall be submitted before the funeral director’s license is issued to the intern.

m. The intern must be approved and licensed following a successful internship before the intern may practice mortuary science.

101.5(2) Preceptorship.

a. A preceptor must have completed a training course within five years prior to accepting an intern. This training course shall cover Iowa law and rule content areas, including but not limited to Iowa law and rules governing licensure and the practice of mortuary science and human resource issues. The training course may be counted toward the continuing education hours required for the licensure biennium in which the training course was completed.

b. Any duly Iowa-licensed funeral director who has been practicing for a minimum of five years and who has not had any formal disciplinary action within the past five years with the board of mortuary science and has completed a preceptor training course detailed in paragraph 101.5(2) “a” will be eligible to be a preceptor.

c. The preceptor shall be affiliated with a funeral establishment that has not had any formal disciplinary action within the past five years.

d. The preceptor is required to file a progress report of the intern that has been signed by both the preceptor and the intern on a board-prescribed form. The 6-month progress report form shall be submitted to the board by the end of the sixth month. The 12-month progress report form shall be submitted to the board by the end of the twelfth month.

e. The preceptor shall certify that the intern engages in the practice of mortuary science only during the time frame designated on the official intern certificate.

f. A preceptor’s duties shall include the following:
   (1) Be physically present and supervise the first five embalmings and first five funeral cases;
   (2) Familiarize the intern in the areas specified by the preceptor training outline;
   (3) Read and sign each of the 25 embalming reports and the 25 funeral directing reports completed by intern;
   (4) Complete a written six-month report of the intern on a form provided by the board. This report is to be reviewed with and signed by the intern and submitted to the board before the end of the seventh month; and
   (5) At the end of the internship, complete a confidential evaluation of the intern on a form provided by the board. This evaluation shall be submitted within two weeks of the end of the internship.

g. Failure of a preceptor to fulfill the requirements set forth by the board, including failure to remit the required six-month progress report, as well as the final evaluation, shall result in an investigation of the preceptor by the board.

h. If a preceptor does not serve the entire year, the board will evaluate the situation; and if a certified preceptor is not available, a licensed funeral director may serve with the approval of the board.

i. No licensed funeral director or licensed funeral establishment shall have more than one intern funeral director for the first 100 human remains embalmed or funerals conducted per year, and with a maximum of two interns per funeral establishment.

j. With prior board approval, an intern may serve under the supervision of more than one preceptor under the following terms and conditions:
   (1) A single preceptor must act in the role of the primary preceptor.
   (2) The primary preceptor is responsible for coordinating all intern training and activities.
   (3) The intern shall be a full-time employee of the funeral establishment of the primary preceptor; however, compensation may be shared between preceptors.
   (4) The primary preceptor may make arrangements with a maximum of two additional preceptors to share preceptor responsibilities for such purposes as providing an intern with a higher volume practice or a broader range of intern experiences.
Each preceptor shall be individually responsible for directly supervising the intern's activities performed under the preceptor's guidance, but the primary preceptor remains responsible for coordinating the intern's activities and submitting all forms to the board.

Meeting Iowa Law Qualifications for a Preceptor

The following criteria must be met to qualify as a preceptor for an intern in Iowa.

The funeral director must:
- Be licensed as a funeral director in Iowa for at least 5 years;
- No discipline for the past 5 years;
- Complete the preceptor training within the past 5 years; and
- Work at a funeral home with no discipline for the past 5 years.

Completing these criteria do not automatically verify the funeral director is a certified preceptor, that certification only comes when approved by the Board of Mortuary Science.

Preceptor Duties:

1. Be physically present and supervise the first five embalmings and first five funeral cases;

2. Familiarize the intern in the areas specified by the preceptor training outline (This is the next section of the Preceptor Training.);

3. Read and sign each of the 25 embalming reports and the 25 funeral directing reports completed by the intern;

4. Complete a written six-month report of the intern on a form provided by the board. This report is to be reviewed with and signed by the intern and submitted to the board before the end of the seventh month; and

5. At the end of the internship, complete a confidential evaluation of the intern on a form provided by the board. This evaluation shall be submitted within two weeks of the end of the internship.
MISSION STATEMENT: To provide an intern training guide of the areas and items that shall be observed, learned or performed during the internship.

I. PRECEPTOR AND INTERN REQUIREMENTS DURING THE INTERNSHIP PERIOD
   A. Rules pertaining to interns and preceptors
   B. Forms to Complete
      1. Embalming/Funeral Directing Reports (25) (Appendixs 9 and 10)
      2. Six month Intern Evaluation
      3. Year-end confidential evaluation of Intern (completed by preceptor)
      4. Year-end confidential evaluation of Program (completed by intern)

II. INTERN TRAINING
   A. Funeral Service as a Business
      1. Federal Trade Commission
         a. General Price List
         b. Casket Price List
         c. Outer Burial Container Price List
         d. Statement of Funeral Goods and Services
         e. Telephone price disclosures
         f. Prohibited practices
      2. Occupational Safety and Health Act
         a. Occupational safety and health – Iowa Code (Laws) chapter 88
         b. IOSH address (Iowa’s website) www.iowaworkforce.org/labor
         c. IOSH manual – Federal OSHA standards online at www.osha.gov
      4. Vital Statistics
         a. Vital Statistic – Iowa Code (Laws) chapter 144
         b. Vital Records – Iowa Administrative Code (Rules), Public Health 641,
            chapters 99 and 101
      5. Environmental Health
         Iowa administrative Code (Rules) Public Health 641, chapter 86, Preparation Room
         & Crematorium Chambers
         a. SSI exclusion
         b. Death benefit
      7. Veterans Administration forms
      8. Commission of Veterans Affairs
         a. Veterans Affairs, Iowa Code (Laws) Chapter 35
         b. Veterans Affairs Commission, Iowa Code (Laws) Chapter 35A
      9. Medical Examiner
         a. Medical Examiners, Iowa Code (Laws) chapter 691
         b. County Home Rule, Iowa Code (Laws) Chapter 331
         c. Victim Rights, Iowa Code (Laws) Chapter 915
         d. Medical Examiner, Iowa Administrative Code (Rules) 641 IAC, Chapter 127
10. Prearranged Funeral Plans
   a. Trust Funds, Iowa Code (Laws) Chapter 523A
   b. Door-to Door Sales, Iowa Code (Laws) Chapter 555A
   c. Cemetery and Funeral Merchandise and Funeral Services, Iowa Code (Laws) Chapter 523A

11. Cemeteries
   a. Cemetery Management, Iowa Code (Laws) Chapter 566
   b. Cemetery Regulations, Iowa Code (Laws) Chapter 566A

12. Dead Bodies for scientific purposes, Iowa Code (Laws) Chapter 142
13. Uniform Anatomical Gifts, Iowa Code (Laws) Chapter 142A
14. Funeral Procession Law is in Department of Transportation Iowa Code (Laws) Chapter 321.324A

B. Technical Training
   Perform 25 embalmings of human remains per year of internship.
   a. Removal procedures from residence, institution or accident site
      1. Equipment
      2. Necessary documentation
      3. Universal precautions
      4. Assisting family members present
   b. Embalming (including autopsied)
      1. Verify permission to embalm
      2. Removal from stretcher or cot
      3. Placement on preparation table
      4. Pre-embalming analysis
      5. Bathing, shampooing, disinfecting
      6. Setting features
      7. Selection of injection and drainage sites
      8. Techniques for raising vessels
      9. Chemical selections and mixing
     10. Injection and drainage methods
     11. Embalming machine operation and maintenance
     12. Cavity treatment
     13. Aspiration techniques
     14. Methods of closing incisions
     15. Suturing techniques
     16. Restorative techniques
   c. Preparing remains for viewing
      1. Dressing
      2. Cosmetizing
      3. Casketing
   d. Preparing remains for cremation
      1. Contact Medical Examiners
2. Required cremation forms
3. Crematory requirements
4. Procedures for handling human remains

C. Funeral Directing
   Assist/direct 25 funerals per year of internship
   a. Service and merchandise selection
      1. Be familiar with the merchandise offered by the funeral home
      2. Be familiar with service options available to client families
      3. Be familiar with the credit policies of the funeral home
   b. Make funeral arrangements
      1. Complete arrangement paperwork
      2. Contact ministers
      3. Contact cemeteries/crematories
      4. Contact outer burial container provider
      5. Contact florist
      6. Contact musicians
      7. Contact vocalists
      8. Complete obituaries
   c. Conduct funerals
      1. Clean the chapel, family room, foyer, vehicles and garage
      2. Set up floral arrangements
      3. Set up register book
      4. Prepare memorial folders
      5. Assess special needs
      6. Assess clergy needs
      7. Greet funeral attendees
      8. Assist casket bearers
      9. Prepare for funeral procession
     10. Drive a vehicle in procession
     11. Assist at graveside committal
     12. Transport flowers
     13. Care for funeral attendees at cemetery
     14. Complete aftercare follow-up for client families
III. STATE LAWS AND RULES RELATING TO FUNERAL SERVICE

A. Funeral Directing, Mortuary Science and Cremation
   Board of Mortuary Science – Iowa Code (Laws), Chapter 156
   1. Definitions
   2. Provision of services
   3. Persons excluded
   4. Eligibility requirements
   5. Funeral directors
   6. Internships
   7. Student practicum
   8. Revocation of license to practice mortuary science
   9. Inspection
   10. Funeral directors – solicitation of business – exceptions – penalty
   11. Certificate of national board in lieu of examination
   12. Funeral establishment and cremation establishment license
   13. Funeral establishments and cremation establishments – license required – discipline, violations, and penalties
   14. Unlicensed practice – injunctions, civil penalties, consent agreements

B. Administrative and Regulatory Authority for the Board of Mortuary Science
   Iowa Administrative Code Rules, 645 – Chapter 4
   1. Definitions
   2. Purpose of board
   3. Organization of board and proceedings
   4. Official communications
   5. Office hours
   6. Public meetings
   7. Licensure by reciprocal agreement
   8. Duplicate certificate or wallet card
   9. Reissue certificate or wallet card
   10. License denial
   11. Audit of continuing education report
   12. Automatic exemption
   13. Grounds for disciplinary action
   14. Continuing education exemption for disability or illness
   15. Order for physical, mental, or clinical competency examination or alcohol or drug screening
   16. Noncompliance rules regarding child support, loan repayment and nonpayment of state debt

C. Iowa Administrative Code Rules, 645 – Chapter 5.9
   1. Mortuary science license fees
D. Iowa Administrative Code Rules, 645 – Chapter 100
Board of Mortuary Science – Practice of Funeral Directors, Funeral Estab, and Cremation Estabs
1. Definitions
2. Funeral director duties
3. Permanent identification tag
4. Removal and transfer of dead human remains and fetuses
5. Burial transit permits
6. Preparation and embalming activities
7. Arranging and directing funeral and memorial ceremonies
8. Unclaimed dead human remains for scientific use
9. Disinterments
10. Cremation of human remains and fetuses
   a. Record keeping
   b. Employment of a funeral director by a crematory
   c. Authorizing person and preneed cremation arrangements
   d. Authorization to cremate
   e. Cremation procedures
   f. Disposition of cremated remains

E. Iowa Administrative Code Rules, 645 – Chapter 101
Board of Mortuary Science – Licensure of Funeral Directors, Funeral Estab, and Cremation Estabs
1. Definitions
2. Requirements for licensure
3. Educational qualifications
4. Examination requirements
5. Internship and preceptor
   a. Internship
   b. Preceptorship
6. Student practicum
7. Funeral establishment license or cremation establishment license or both establishment licenses
8. Licensure by endorsement
9. License renewal
10. Renewal of a funeral establishment license or cremation establishment license or both establishment licenses
11. Inactive funeral establishment license or cremation establishment license or both establishment licenses
12. Establishment license reinstatement
13. Reinstatement of a funeral establishment license or a cremation establishment license or both establishment licenses
14. License reactivation
15. License reinstatement
F. Iowa Administrative Code Rules, 645 – Chapter 102
   Board of Mortuary Science – Continuing Education for Funeral Directors
   1. Definitions
   2. Continuing education requirements
   3. Standards
      a. General criteria
      b. Specific criteria

G. Iowa Administrative Code Rules, 645 – Chapter 103
   Board of Mortuary Science – Disciplinary Proceedings
   1. Definitions
   2. Disciplinary authority
   3. Grounds for discipline against funeral directors
   4. Grounds for discipline against funeral establishments and cremation establishments
   5. Method of discipline
   6. Board discretion in imposing disciplinary sanctions
   7. Order for mental, physical, or clinical competency examination or alcohol or drug screening
      a. General criteria
      b. Specific criteria
   8. Informal discussion

H. Iowa Administrative Code Rules, 645 – Chapter 104
   Board of Mortuary Science – Enforcement proceedings against nonlicensees
   1. Civil penalties against nonlicensees
   2. Unlawful practices
   3. Investigations
   4. Subpoenas
   5. Notice of intent to impose civil penalties
   6. Requests for hearings
   7. Factors to consider
   8. Enforcement options
Appendix of Forms

DMACC Forms

- Affiliation Agreement
- Hepatitis B Vaccination Form
- Exposure Liability Form
- MOR 302 - Cremation Services Checklist
- MOR 326 - Funeral Home Operations Checklist
- MOR 330 - Funeral Merchandising Checklist
- DMACC Embalming Report
- MOR 336 - Embalming I Clinical Certification Checklist
- MOR 341 - Embalming II Clinical
- Restorative Art Lab Report
- MOR 941 - Practicum Checklist

Iowa Board of Mortuary Science Forms

- Iowa BMS Embalming Report
- Iowa BMS Funeral Directing Report
- Iowa BMS Summary of Cases
- Iowa BMS 6 and 12 month report
- Iowa BMS Program Evaluation
- Iowa BMS Intern Evaluation
Des Moines Area Community College
Mortuary Science Program
Funeral Home-Based Program Affiliation Agreement

Student Name: __________________________________________________________

Funeral Home Name (AGENCY): __________________________________________

Funeral Home Address: ________________________________________________

Funeral Home City / State and Zip: ______________________________________

Primary Funeral Director/Preceptor: ______________________________________

State of Licensure: ___________ F.D. License #: ____________
(In the event of dual licensure): Embalmer License #: ______________

Secondary Funeral Director(s) Names and License numbers:
1. __________________________________________ Lic#:____________
2. __________________________________________ Lic#:____________
3. __________________________________________ Lic#:____________
4. __________________________________________ Lic#:____________
5. __________________________________________ Lic#:____________
6. __________________________________________ Lic#:____________

The program will verify funeral director licensure by:
* An official transcript from the accredited funeral service institution from which
  the preceptor graduated plus a copy of his or her state license;
* A copy of the preceptor’s license from the State Board of Funeral Service and Embalming
  (if the state requires graduation from an ABFSE accredited program); and/or
* A copy of verification from the State web site that the preceptor is licensed in the state
  with the name of the preceptor and date of the issuance of the license maintained by the
  program. This will be the preferred method of license verification.

In addition, each funeral director will complete preceptor training.
* Iowa Funeral Directors will need to complete the preceptor training
* Non-Iowa Funeral Directors will have a copy of our preceptor manual mailed to
  them when the student begins the program.

After the funeral director has completed the 4 pages of this document, please mail those pages to:
DMACC Mortuary Science Program
Building 17
2006 South Ankeny Blvd
Des Moines Area Community College
Mortuary Science Program
Funeral Home-Based Program Affiliation Agreement

PURPOSE OF AGREEMENT: DMACC desires to offer an educational program in Mortuary Science (hereinafter "program"), and AGENCY desires to provide the instructional area for selected student learning experiences; the purpose of this Agreement is to establish cooperative relationships and to outline the responsibilities of DMACC and AGENCY as each contributes to the learning experiences of students in said program.

Commencing with the latest date of signature appearing on the last page (page 4) of this agreement, DMACC and AGENCY hereby agree as follows:

I. GENERAL CONDITIONS
   A. DMACC faculty is responsible for both the classroom and practicum/clinical instruction and supervision of students throughout the entire program. AGENCY is responsible for providing the instructional area. The clinical instructor/preceptor shall be designated by both the AGENCY and DMACC.
   B. Other general conditions not inconsistent with this Agreement may be attached hereto as Attachment “A” and are incorporated by reference the same as if fully set out.

II. DMACC OBLIGATIONS
   A. DMACC will submit to AGENCY a schedule agreeable to AGENCY which will include:
      1. The names of the assigned students, and
      2. The anticipated times when students will be engaged in the practicum/clinical experience
      3. Verify the preceptor: necessary changes shall only be made with the mutual consent of AGENCY and DMACC.
   B. DMACC will grant AGENCY’S request to withdraw a student from the practicum/clinical facility whose work, conduct, or health may have a detrimental effect upon AGENCY’S clients or personnel and/or honor AGENCY’S refusal to accept any student who has been previously discharged by AGENCY.
   C. DMACC will grant AGENCY’s request to withdraw a student from a practicum/clinical facility whose work violates the professional expectations of the funeral home.
   D. If a student is removed from the AGENCY, the student may appeal the decision first to the DMACC Mortuary Science Program Chair and then through the appropriate DMACC procedures stated in the Student Handbook
   E. DMACC will comply with the policies and procedures of AGENCY.
   F. DMACC will provide for planning with AGENCY indicating the learning experiences and competencies desired for students.
   G. DMACC will provide insurance coverage sufficient to defend, indemnify and hold AGENCY harmless from (a) any and all claims by or injuries to others and (b) any and all claims by or injuries to Students, arising out of or related to Student’s work conduct or any activities necessarily associated with this agreement, except vehicular travel in non-DMACC vehicles.
   H. DMACC faculty will be responsible for the selection of learning experiences and the preparations of the schedule for practicum/clinical rotation in consultation and cooperation with AGENCY. The learning experiences are outlined below.
   I. DMACC will ensure that faculty and students commencing the program will have appropriate immunization requirements and program-specific training and skills including universal precautions and blood borne pathogen instruction.
   J. DMACC will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment or registration in disability or Vietnam era veteran status.
   K. DMACC will provide students with general HIPAA training and require that students comply with its only de-identified information with faculty for homework assignments or class discussions. Des Moines Area Community College will report any improper use or disclosure of protected health information of an AGENCY patient by a student to the AGENCY.
   L. DMACC will provide students with the appropriate Personal Protective Equipment for the embalming room.
III. AGENCY OBLIGATIONS
A. AGENCY retains ultimate responsibility for the care providing to AGENCY’S clients.
B. AGENCY will provide students with sufficient understand of individual client conditions when assignments are made in order to safeguard the client.
C. AGENCY will comply with OSHA safety standards for occupational exposure to blood-borne pathogen and formaldehyde; in the event of exposure to a blood-borne pathogen and formaldehyde, faculty and students will receive the same treatment as outlined for employees in OSHA guidelines; AGENCY will report any such incident to DMACC promptly, and provide a copy of the incident report and all supporting documentation.
D. AGENCY will consult with DMACC’s designated faculty, support prescribed practicum/clinical curriculum, make regular reports, and participate in training and evaluation sessions with DMACC’s staff and student.
E. AGENCY will contribute toward promoting an atmosphere conducive to learning.
F. AGENCY will provide suitable space [including but not limited to conference rooms], equipment and expendable supplies necessary for procedures performed by students; if uniforms are required, students shall provide such uniforms and laundering thereof at their own expense; students shall be permitted to use employee rest rooms and dressing rooms.
G. AGENCY will assist with scheduled orientation for students and shall provide students with training on AGENCY’s confidentiality policies and procedures.
H. If student or faculty are scheduled in a clinical area and incur an accident not requiring hospitalization, AGENCY will make emergency care available.
I. If any student is independently employed by AGENCY, such student shall not be permitted to wear a name pin or any other item, which would identify them as a DMACC student.
J. AGENCY will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment or registration in the course of study or patient because of race, color, creed, sex, national origin, religion, age, disability or Vietnam era veteran status.
K. AGENCY will abide by all Federal, State and Local laws regulating the profession.
L. AGENCY will not allow more than 5 students in the embalming clinical at any given time.
M. AGENCY / Preceptor will ensure student wears appropriate Personal Protective Equipment during embalming.
N. AGENCY agrees that student will only work under the direct supervision of a licensed Funeral Director/Embalmer.

IV. LEARNING EXPERIENCES:
A. Assist with 25 embalming cases during the year (10 in Embalming I & II and 5 in Practicum);
B. Assist with 10 cosmetic applications (5 during Restorative Art Lab, and 5 during Practicum);
C. Assist with 8 funerals (3 during Funeral Directing, and 5 during Practicum);
D. Assist with 3 removals (1 during Intro to Funeral Service, and 2 during Practicum);
E. Demonstration on opening / closing a casket, moving a casket, and raising / lowering the casket mattress;
F. Tour a vault company where vaults are produced;
G. Tour a monument company where monuments are engraved;
H. Tour a cremation facility and see the processes of cremation;
I. Attend a local, state, or national funeral directors meeting during the year;
J. Complete funeral service paperwork including: death certificates, burial transit permits, etc;
K. Complete a register book provided by DMACC Mortuary Science;
L. Complete an obituary in the form of your local newspaper; M. Observe an arrangement conference; and
N. Conduct an arrangement conference with a DMACC faculty member during the Practicum course.

V. RENEWAL AND TERMINATION.
This agreement shall be automatically renewed for successive one [1] year terms until and unless either party gives the other party written notice of termination at least four [4] months prior to the time when AGENCY would ordinarily be assigned as an instructional site.
VI. Accreditation Requirement:

In 2012, the American Board of Funeral Service Education Committee on Accreditation added this requirement:

Off-campus instructional sites where students receive college credit are to be physically visited by a representative of the program and approved prior to the start of instruction. Instruction includes management, funeral directing and clinical. These visits must occur at least biennially or prior to each use if the use occurs intermittently over a period of several years. Visits must also occur whenever physical changes to the facility are reported. Inspections of off-campus instruction sites must ensure the location has a valid, current license. In addition, inspections must ensure that off-campus sites are clean and adequate for instructional purposes. The inspection must ensure that appropriate equipment and protocols (drench shower, eye wash station, SDS [formerly MSDS] and blood borne pathogen program, ventilation system, proper protective equipment, etc.) are in place and functioning.

To accomplish this, the program will utilize one of three options:
A. One of the program faculty members to visit your funeral home to complete the physical visit requirement for accreditation;
B. We will ask a pre-approved program representative, such as a chemical sales representative in your area to complete the physical visit; or
C. We will utilize a funeral director you identify to complete the physical visit requirement. In the event that we utilize this option, we ask that you identify a fellow funeral director who is near you, but who is NOT employed by your funeral home who could complete the physical visit requirement.

By using one of these three requirements, we are able to minimize the financial impact this will have on students as the fees for such a visit will be billed back to the student.

In the event we need option C, please complete the following information:

Student Name: ____________________________
Name of Funeral Director completing the physical visit: ______________________________
Phone number of Funeral Director completing physical visit: ___________________________
Email address of the Funeral Director completing physical visit: __________________________

VII. Signatures:
Des Moines Area Community College  Funeral Home (AGENCY)
By: ____________________________  By: ____________________________
Title: ____________________________  Title: ____________________________
Printed Name: ____________________  Printed Name: ____________________
Date of Signature: ________________  Date of Signature: ________________
Students are required to make individual arrangements for receiving the Hepatitis B Vaccine prior to matriculation into Embalming clinical courses. Students must provide a record of vaccination and/or proof of positive antibody status. Prior to the first embalming clinical class, documentation of at least the first injection of the series must be submitted to the program chairperson. Students refusing the vaccine must provide a physician’s not substantiating a medical contraindication or after consultation with a physician, an informed consent refusing the vaccine and assuming the liability.

Attached is a copy of the vaccination documentation or my signature verifying the vaccine has been taken.

Printed Student Name: _______________________________________

Series of Vaccinations:

First dosage date  ________  Student Signature: ___________________

Second dosage date  ________  Student Signature: _________________

Third dosage date  ________  Student Signature: _________________

________________________________________________________________________

Hepatitis B Vaccination Declination

I understand that due to my occupational exposure to blood or other potentially infectious materials I may be at risk of acquiring hepatitis B virus (HBV) infection. I understand that by declining this vaccine, I continue to be at risk of acquiring hepatitis B, a serious disease.

Signature: ________________________________  Date: ______________

For more information visit the Center for Disease Control and Prevention at
http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/diseases/hepatitis/b/index.htm
http://www.cdc.gov/nip/faqs/hepb-faqs.htm
http://www.cdc.gov/nip/vacsafe/concerns/hepB/q&a.htm
As stated in DMACC policies, if a student experiences a potential exposure to a bloodborne pathogen, the student should immediately go to the designated medical provider for medical consultation. Once the DMACC exposure incident form is completed by the program chair, the medical charges to that facility will be paid for by DMACC.

The student will be responsible for any charges for any prophylaxis (preventative medication) which is prescribed by the physician.

I understand that I am responsible for any charges for prescriptions (medications) as directed by a medical physician due to a needlestick (bloodborne pathogen exposure) that may result during the embalming clinicals or restorative art labs held as part of the DMACC Mortuary Science Program.

Student Printed Name: _______________________________________

Student Signature: _________________________________________

Date: ______________________
Des Moines Area Community College
Mortuary Science Program
Cremation Services Checklist

MOR 302 – Cremation Services Checklist

Student: ___________________________ Date: __________________

Please complete this form as you complete the following professional experiences and ask your preceptor to sign for each item.

___ Crematory Visit

Location: ______________________________________________________

Date: ___________________________ Preceptor: ________
Please complete this form as you complete the following professional experiences, and ask your preceptor to initial each item.

___ Observed an arrangement conference (REQUIRED)
Location:_____________________________________________
Date:_________________________  Preceptor:______

___ Assisted with a Transfer of Remains (REQUIRED)
Location:_____________________________________________
Date:_________________________  Preceptor:______

The following three observations are optional for students who MISS the on-campus Religious Road show.

___ Observed / Assisted with a Roman Catholic Visitation & Funeral Mass (OPTIONAL)
Location:_____________________________________________
Date:_________________________  Preceptor:______

___ Observed / Assisted with a non-liturgical Protestant Funeral (OPTIONAL)
Location:_____________________________________________
Date:_________________________  Preceptor:______

___ Observed / Assisted with a non-liturgical Protestant Funeral (OPTIONAL)
Must be any style of funeral other than Roman Catholic and Non-liturgical Protestant.
Location:_____________________________________________
Date:_________________________  Preceptor:______
Please complete this form as you complete the following professional experiences and ask your preceptor to sign for each item.

___ Visited/Toured Vault Company

Date: _________________________

Name of Vault Company: _____________________________________

Preceptor: _______________________________________________

Preceptor Signature: ________________________________________

Attach the 1-page report on the Vault Company Visit to this document. (See the Assignments link in the course syllabus for details about the report.)

___ Visited/Toured selection room

Date: _________________________

Funeral Home (or other site): __________________________________

Preceptor: _______________________________________________

Preceptor Signature: ________________________________________

Attach the 1-page report on the Selection Room Visit to this document. (See the Assignments link in the course syllabus for details about the report.)
Des Moines Area Community College  
Mortuary Science Program  
Embalming Report

Date: ____________________________  DMACC Case No: ____________________________

Student: ________________________  Student Signature: ____________________________

Preceptor: ______________________  Preceptor Sign: ______________________________

Funeral Home: ______________________________  Case Performed *One-to-One:______  
*With licensed FD and w/o other students

**Embalming Analysis:**

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<th>Cause of Death</th>
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<td>Weight:</td>
<td>Height:</td>
<td>Nutrition: Normal, obese, emaciated</td>
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<td>Post Mortem Interval:</td>
<td>Teeth: Natural, Dentures, Partial</td>
<td>Rigor Mortis: YES NO</td>
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<th>Other conditions:</th>
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<td>Autopsy: (Yes or No)</td>
<td>____ Cranial  ____ Thoracic  ____ Abdominal</td>
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<td>Organ/Tissue Donor: (Yes or No)</td>
<td>List organ(s):</td>
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<td>Purge: (Yes or No)</td>
<td>Type of Purge:</td>
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<td>Specify location and type:</td>
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<td>Edema: (Yes or No)</td>
<td>Specify Location: (Light/Moderate/Severe)</td>
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**Vessels Utilized:**

**Arteries Injected:** (Check all that apply)

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**Veins Drained:** (Check all that apply)

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**Student Performance:** Check those procedures that were performed by you the student and describe the area, technique, vessel, or materials used for each procedure.

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<th>Procedure</th>
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List all other participating students: (4 max.)

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Listed below are the essential embalming tasks that the student will be expected to perform during and/or by the conclusion of the semester. The student will either be required to PERFORM a task during the semester (e.g. locate/elevate a vessel) or be PROFICIENT at the task by the end of the semester (e.g. mix fluids) as some tasks will require a longer period in which to become proficient. The table will indicate the requirement for each specific task.

To clarify, PERFORM means that the student must physically perform the task themselves with a minimum of preceptor assistance. PROFICIENT means that the student is capable of performing the task at an acceptable professional level without any assistance from the preceptor.

Below each task will be an overview of that task describing the specific manner in which the student is required to perform the task during the on-campus clinical. PLEASE ADHERE TO THESE SPECIFICATIONS.

We understand that there are a wide variety of useful and effective embalming techniques utilized by each individual preceptor/practitioner. However, because the student will be GRADED on their performance of the tasks and techniques listed here, we must insist that the student performs the tasks in accordance with DMACC standard embalming procedures.

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<td>Pre-Embalming Analysis</td>
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<td>The student will utilize any printed information (e.g. health history, “face sheet”, etc.) about the deceased and consider all intrinsic and extrinsic factors (including a physical examination of the body) to determine the best course of action.</td>
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<td>Primary Disinfection</td>
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<td>The student should topically disinfect the body with special attention given to the genital region, axillary spaces, &amp; palms. Nasal &amp; oral cavities should be swabbed.</td>
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<td>Select and mix appropriate embalming fluids</td>
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<td>The student is required to select the fluids without assistance from the preceptor and to give a detailed explanation of the USES OF EACH CHEMICAL and WHY THEY HAVE SELECTED THAT CHEMICAL for the case at hand. The student will mix the fluids in the embalming machine ONLY AFTER receiving permission to proceed from the preceptor. Should the preceptor disagree with the student’s fluid selection, the preceptor should explain why and offer a detailed explanation as to why different fluids would be more appropriate.</td>
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<td>Incision</td>
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<td>The student is required to determine the BEST LOCATION for the incision and to MAKE THE INCISION without assistance from the preceptor. At a minimum, the student should be proficient at incisions for the right common carotid and femoral arteries.</td>
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### Embalming Tasks – Overview and Expectations

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<td>Locating, elevating, &amp; accessing vessels</td>
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<td>The student is required to locate the vessel, free the vessel from surrounding fascia, elevate it above the incision, and insert a drainage device (vein) AND arterial tube (artery) into each vessel. Preferred vessels are the right common carotid artery, right internal jugular vein, and the femoral artery.</td>
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<td>Suturing Incisions</td>
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<td>The student should suture an entire incision using a commonly-accepted suture technique (i.e. baseball, inversion, intradermal, etc.)</td>
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<td>Aspiration of Body Cavities</td>
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<tr>
<td>The student should perform a complete aspiration of the thoracic AND abdominal cavities.</td>
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<td>Injection of Cavity Fluid</td>
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<td>The student will determine the appropriate cavity fluid and the amount of that fluid to inject into the body cavities and will do so without the assistance of the preceptor.</td>
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<td>Terminal Disinfection</td>
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<td>The student will ensure that the body has been properly cleaned and dried (including underneath the body). The student will also clean and disinfect ALL instruments and all surfaces in the embalming room (i.e. counters, cabinet handles, embalming machine, etc.) Preceptor approval will be required before the students are allowed to leave the embalming area.</td>
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<td>Professionalism and Safety</td>
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<td>The student will conduct themselves in a professional manner at all times and observe all applicable state and federal regulations. The student will observe all applicable OSHA regulations including the use of all required/appropriate PPE and work practice controls.</td>
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Preceptors are a vital part of the student’s embalming education and DMACC values the time and effort that you, the preceptor, are providing for the student. To ensure each student receives the best educational opportunity possible, it is crucial that these embalming tasks are completed BY THE STUDENT under direct supervision of the preceptor BUT with a minimum of preceptor assistance. Towards the end of the embalming curriculum, the student will perform a certification embalming at which time they will be required to embalm a body unassisted under the direct supervision of the DMACC embalming faculty. At this time, the student should be proficient in ALL AREAS. A student that has fulfilled these tasks in the prescribed manner has a greater chance of success in that practical examination and has a stronger foundation towards a career as a professional embalmer.
Des Moines Area Community College
Mortuary Science Program
Restorative Art Report

Date: ____________________  Report #: ____________________

Student:______________________  Report #: ____________________

Preceptor:________________________  Signature:____________________

Funeral Home:____________________  Telephone # __________________

Procedure Information:

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<th>Type of foundation (base colorant) used:</th>
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<td>Method of application of foundation:</td>
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<td>Method of powder application:</td>
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<td>Type of cosmetic used on hand:</td>
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<td>Lip treatment:</td>
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Student Participation:
Check those procedures that were performed by you (the student) and describe the technique or materials used for each procedure.

The total number of points will be added into your semester grade.

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<td>Application of hand cosmetic</td>
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<td>Dressing of the deceased</td>
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<td>Casketing of the deceased</td>
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Each of the first 4 items listed above (application of facial and hand cosmetic, dressing and casketing), must be accomplished at least 1 time as a course requirement. If you do not complete at least 1 of each, you will be awarded a D for the semester.
Funeral Service Practicum Checklist
MOR 941 – Funeral Practicum

Student: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________
Preceptor: ____________________________

Please complete this form as you complete the following professional experiences, and ask your preceptor to initial each item.

___ Assisted with 2 Transfers of Remains
   Date: ___________________________ Preceptor: ______
   Date: ___________________________ Preceptor: ______

___ Observed an Arrangement Conference
   Date: ___________________________ Preceptor: ______

___ Assisted with 2 Visitation Setups
   Date: ___________________________ Preceptor: ______
   Date: ___________________________ Preceptor: ______

___ Observed / Assisted with 5 Funerals
   Date: ___________________________ Preceptor: ______
   Date: ___________________________ Preceptor: ______
   Date: ___________________________ Preceptor: ______
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___ Assisted with 5 Cosmetic Applications
   Date: ___________________________ Preceptor: ______
   Date: ___________________________ Preceptor: ______
   Date: ___________________________ Preceptor: ______
   Date: ___________________________ Preceptor: ______
   Date: ___________________________ Preceptor: ______
Embalming Case Report – Internship
Iowa Dept. of Public Health/Board of Mortuary Science

This report is specific to the case being reported.
Enter information for all questions.

Date:
Case No:

This report should be completed as soon after each funeral service as possible. The entire form must be completed for acceptance by the board. If you have any questions please call the board office at (515) 281-4287.

Name of Intern: Intern Registration Number:
Preceptor Name: Expiration Date of Internship
Funeral Establishment: Telephone: ( )
Deceased Name: Date of Death: Place of Death:

DESCRIPTION OF DECEASED:
Name: Age: Sex: Race:
Approx. Wt.: Height: Date of Death: Place of Death:

CONDITION OF BODY BEFORE EMBALMING:
Evidence of Disease: Emaciation: Edematous:
Evidence of Surgery: Evidence of External Wound: Eruptions: Skin Slip:
Post-mortem Pigmentation: Tumors: Ulceration: Gas:
Mutilations: Purge: Rigor Mortis:
Autopsy (Type): ( None)
Enucleation of eyes: Organs or body parts donated:
No abnormalities:
What was different about this body and how did it affect your embalming process?
EMBALMING: Be specific to this case when indicating vessels used and amounts of fluid

Elapsed time between death and start of embalming:

Arteries used in injection:

Veins used for drainage:

Auxiliary drainage methods used:

Fluids used (Trade name and index):

A.

B.

C.

Pre-injection: Arterial: Cavity:

Arterial Fluids dilution (oz./gallon):

Remarks:

Cavity fluids (oz. injected undiluted):

Other cavity treatment:

Parts receiving poor circulation:

Treatment:

Restorative art treatment:
Describe what was unique about this embalming. What problems did you encounter? Were there any circulatory problems? If this was a difficult embalming what made it that way?

CONDITION OF BODY AFTER EMBALMING:

Condition of body at completion of operation:

Condition of body at time of funeral:

Special post-embalming treatment required:

REMARKS BY INTERN:
What did you learn from this embalming?

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<td>Verify permission to embalm</td>
<td>Intern must provide comments on their activities (Describe in general how you performed your duties)</td>
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<td>Removal from stretcher or cot</td>
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REMARKS BY PRECEPTOR
In general describe how the intern performed his/her duties. After the first 5 cases, comment on the condition of the body following embalming.

Signature (Intern): ____________________________  Date: ____________

Signature (Preceptor): ____________________________  Date: ____________
Funeral Directing Case Report – Internship
Iowa Dept. of Public Health/Board of Mortuary Science

This report is specific to the case being reported.
Enter information for all questions.

Date:

Case No:

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Name of Intern: Intern Registration Number:

Preceptor Name: Expiration Date of Internship

Funeral Establishment: Telephone: ( )

Deceased Name: Date of Death: Place of Death:

Give a short synopsis of the funeral: Example: A 73 year old male died at the Manor Nursing Home in Springfield. Arrangements were made Tuesday morning with visitation Wednesday afternoon and evening at Garden Chapel. Funeral was held 10:30 am Thursday at Springfield Church with burial at city cemetery.

1. Removal and Arrangements:
   Describe your duties for the following, be specific for each funeral.

   First call and removal:

   Preparation room and dressing room including cosmetics, dressing and casketing:

   Arrangement conference:

2. Merchandising:
   Describe your duties regarding selling of merchandise such as casket, urn and vault.

3. Visitation:
   Describe your duties prior to and during visitation including your responsibilities to the family.
4. Funeral:
Describe your duties for the initial set up, the funeral service and the post funeral activities including family follow-up.

Describe the paperwork completed for this service.

5. Learning:
What did you learn from this experience?

| Intern Performed | Funeral Directing Task (To be completed by intern) | Intern Comments
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6. Preceptor Comments:
Preceptor must provide comments on the intern’s activities. The first 5 must be more in depth

Signature of Intern __________________________

Signature of Preceptor ________________________

SIGNATURE INDICATES THAT THE INTERN'S DUTIES WERE SATISFACTORY.
Summary Report for Embalming Case Reports
Iowa Dept. of Public Health/Board of Mortuary Science
Lucas State Office Bldg, 5th floor
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**Signature (Preceptor):** ___________________________  **Date:** ____________

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Name of Intern:
Registration Number:
Expiration Date of Internship:
Preceptor Name:
License Number:
Funeral Establishment:
Telephone:

The following is a list of documents to be reviewed and discussed with your preceptor:

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**OSHA/IOSH**

|         |          | 4. Iowa Occupational Safety and Health – [www.iowaworkforce.org/labor](http://www.iowaworkforce.org/labor) |

**Federal laws/rules governing funeral practice**

|         |          | 2. Social Security Administration forms [www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov) |
|         |          | 3. SSI exclusion (clergy and Amish may be excluded) |
|         |          | 4. Veterans Administration/Veterans Affairs forms [www.cem.va.gov](http://www.cem.va.gov) |

**State laws/rules governing funeral practice**

**Iowa Department of Public Health, [641]**

|         |          | 1. Vital Statistics, Chapter 144 |
|         |          | 2. Vital Records, IAC 641-101    |
|         |          | 3. Uniform Anatomical Gifts, Chapter 142C |
|         |          | 4. Scientific purposes, Chapter 142 |
|         |          | 5. Environmental Health, IAC 641-86 |
|         |          | 6. Medical Examiner, Chapter 691, IAC 641-127 |

**State laws**

|         |          | 1. County home rule, Chapter 331.608 and 331.804 |
|         |          | 2. Crime victim compensation, Chapter 915.86 |
|         |          | 3. Door-to-door sales, Chapter 555A |
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Six and Twelve Month Checklist of Mortuary Science Duties

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**Board of Mortuary Science, Code**

|         |         | 1. General Provisions regulating practice professions, Chapter 147  |
|         |         | 2. Funeral Directing, Mortuary Science, and Cremation, Chapter 156  |
|         |         | 3. Continuing Education and Regulation, Chapter 272C  |

**Board of Mortuary Science, administrative rules**

|         |         | 1. Practice of Funeral Directing, Chapter IAC 645 – 100  |
|         |         | 2. Mortuary Science Licensure, Chapter IAC 645 – 101  |
|         |         | 3. Continuing Education for Mortuary Science, Chapter IAC 645 – 102  |
|         |         | 4. Discipline for Funeral Directors, Chapter IAC 645 – 103  |
|         |         | 5. Enforcement for Unlicensed Practice, Chapter IAC 645 – 104  |
|         |         | 6. Mortuary Science Fees, Chapter IAC 645 – 105  |

The following is a list of tasks or services to be discussed, observed, and/or completed:

**Funeral Services**

|         |         | 1. Merchandise offered by the funeral home  |
|         |         | 2. Service options available to client families  |
|         |         | 3. Credit policies of the funeral home  |
|         |         | 4. Make funeral Arrangements  |
|         |         | 5. Complete funeral arrangement forms  |
|         |         | 6. Contact ministers  |
|         |         | 7. Contact cemeteries/crematories  |
|         |         | 8. Contact outer burial container provider  |
|         |         | 9. Contact florist  |
|         |         | 10. Contact musicians and vocalists  |
|         |         | 11. Complete death certificate  |
|         |         | 12. Complete and submit obituaries to website and newspapers  |
|         |         | 13. Conduct funeral ceremonies  |
|         |         | 14. Set up floral arrangements  |
|         |         | 15. Register book and memorial folders  |
|         |         | 16. Greet funeral attendees  |
|         |         | 17. Instruct and assist casket bearers  |
|         |         | 18. Prepare for funeral procession  |
|         |         | 19. Drive a vehicle in procession  |
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Program Evaluation
(To be completed by the Intern)
645-101.5(1)k

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Lucas State Office Building
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Must be completed by intern during the last month of your internship
Must be on file before the funeral director license can be issued

Name of Intern:               Intern Number:
Internship Issue Date:               Internship Expiration Date:
Name of Preceptor:               Funeral Director License:
Name of Funeral Home:
Funeral Home telephone number:

1. Was the Intern Program explained to you?  □ Yes  □ No
   Explain any positive or negative ramifications.

2. Did the Six-Month Checklist of Mortuary Science Duties prove helpful to you?  □ Yes  □ No
   Did it create a chance for discussion?  □ Yes  □ No
   Explain.

3. Was the Twelve-Month Checklist of Mortuary Science Duties helpful to you?  □ Yes  □ No

4. List any ways you think the program can be improved.

__________________________________________________________________________
Intern Signature               Date
Intern Evaluation
(To be completed by the Preceptor)

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This form must be in the board office no more than 30 days prior to the end of the Internship.

Intern Name:  
Intern Registration Number:  
Preceptor Name:  
License Number:  
Phone Number:  
Internship Expiration Date:  

1. The intern is thoroughly familiar with all phases of funeral service:
   □ Yes  
   □ No  

2. The intern needs work in:

3. The intern is especially capable in the following areas:

4. The preceptor-training requirement is:
   □ Good  
   □ Not useful  
   □ No effect  

5. The 6 month and 12 month reports are worthwhile:
   □ Yes  
   □ No  

6. Comments:

__________________________________________________________________________

Preceptor Signature  
Date