



Des Moines Area Community College
Mortuary Science Program
State Board Survey

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DMACC Mortuary Science Student Professional Activities

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

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

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

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

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

- Yes
- No

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

- Yes
- No

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

- Yes
- No

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

- Yes
- No

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

- Yes

No

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

*The student must have a Funeral Internship license to participate in any of the above while in school or must be participating in a program at the school that makes arrangements with the Funeral Home for the student to participate in the above areas with professional guidance.

State Internship

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

- Yes
 No

What is the length of the internship in your state?

*3000 hours

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

- Yes
 No

What portion of the internship (i.e. number of months) can be completed prior to entering an accredited program?

*The 3000 hours and the National Exam.

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

- Yes
 No

What portion of the internship (i.e. number of months) can be completed while attending an accredited program?

*The 3000 hours and the National Exam.

State Law Requirements

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

- Yes
 No

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

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

National Exam, Mortuary Degree, State Exam

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

- Yes
 No

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

Yes

No

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

* Yes.

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

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

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