

The Associate in Science (A.S.) in Funeral Services degree program strives to meet the need for qualified funeral directors and embalmers by providing a funeral director training program that is supported by the local funeral services community. Students in the funeral services program are trained to be knowledgeable and compliant with federal, and other regulatory guidelines. Beginning in Summer 2022, students will enter the prerequisite phase of the program (conditional offer) until they complete all admissions requirements.

Please note that admission to the professional-level Funeral Services courses/program is highly competitive.

## **Program Requirements**

### Prerequisites

The following courses must be completed with a grade of C or better before the application deadline.

- BSC 2085C - Human Anatomy and Physiology I 4
- ENC 1101 - English Composition I 3
  - or ENC 1101C - English Composition I Enhanced 4
  - or ENC 1102 - Writing About Texts 3

## General Education Requirements

Students may complete the following courses with a grade of C or better before the application deadline for the professional level Funeral program to receive additional points on the application review.

- ACG 2021 - Financial Accounting 3
  - or any ACG prefix course
- BSC 2086C - Human Anatomy and Physiology II 4
- BUL 2131 – Business Law I – The Legal Environment of Business 3
- ARH 2000-Art in the Humanities 3
  - or PHI 2010-Philosophy in the Humanities 3
  - or MUL 2019-Music in the Humanities 3
  - or LIT 2000 Literature in the Humanities 3
  - or HUM 2020-Topics in the Humanities 3
  - or THE 2000-Theatre in the Humanities 3
- HSC 1524 – Introduction to Infectious Diseases 3
- MAC 1105 - College Algebra 3
  - or higher-level MAC prefix course
  - or MAP 2302 - Differential Equations 3
  - or MGF 1106 - Topics in College Mathematics 3
  - or MGF 1107 - Explorations in Mathematics 3
  - or STA 2023 - Elementary Statistics 3
- PHI 2603 - Introduction to Applied Ethics 3

Please review this checklist. If you answer yes to every item and have submitted transcripts to support your course completions, you could be ready for review and ranking for consideration for admittance to the professional phase of the Funeral Services program.

## CHECKLIST

- Submit official non-FSCJ transcripts to the College before the published application deadline for the term you wish to begin, if applicable.
- Submit official A.P., I.B., AICE, CLEP and/or DSST score reports to the College before the published application deadline for the term you wish to begin, if applicable. (A.P. – Advanced Placement, I.B. – International Baccalaureate, AICE – University of Cambridge)
- Ensure official HESI A2 (Health Education Systems, Inc Admission Test) scores have been submitted to the FSCJ Assessment Center before the published application deadline for the term you wish to be reviewed for admittance to the professional phase of the Funeral Services program. Scores will be considered official if they meet the following:
  - Applicant has completed the 9-subtest administration in one sitting.
  - Applicant has taken within the last 2 years.
  - Scores have been submitted to the FSCJ Assessment Center before the published deadline
  - Applicant has achieved a minimum score of 65% in each of the three listed HESI A2 subtests must be earned to be considered for the program.
    - Grammar
    - Reading Comprehension
    - Vocabulary

If the HESI test was taken at FSCJ, no action is required. Your scores will be automatically submitted. If you have Questions pertaining to the HESI and submitting your official scores, please email [north\\_testing@fscj.edu](mailto:north_testing@fscj.edu) or call (904) 713-4529.

- Complete the following courses with a grade of "C" or better by the published program deadline for the term you wish to begin. A GPA of 2.0 must be maintained.
  - BSC 2085C - Human Anatomy and Physiology I 4
  - ENC 1101 - English Composition I 3
    - or ENC 1101C - English Composition I Enhanced 4

- or ENC 1102 - Writing About Texts 3
  
- Complete the following courses with a grade of C or better before the application deadline for the professional level Funeral Services program to receive additional points on the application review.
  - ACG 2021 - Financial Accounting 3
    - or any ACG prefix course
  - BSC 2086C - Human Anatomy and Physiology II 4
  - BUL 2131 - Business Law I - The Legal Environment of Business 3
  - ARH 2000-Art in the Humanities 3
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If you answered no to any of the above checklist items, please meet with an academic advisor to discuss your education plan and next steps.

#### COMPETITIVE REVIEW PROCESS

Students are ready for review by the admissions committee upon completion of all checklist requirements. The committee uses the Associate in Science in Funeral Services Ranking Criteria below to review and rank candidates for admittance consideration. Please note that the admission process is highly competitive.

Grade Point Average: Applicants must earn a grade of C or better in each prerequisite course and have an overall minimum prerequisite GPA of 2.0. Completion of General Education coursework will allow applicants to achieve additional points.

Funeral Services Ranking Rubric			Max Points
<b>Candidates for admission to the program must have a minimum grade point average of 2.0 and received a grade of "C" or higher in all prerequisite courses.</b>			21
Course Grade		Points	
A		3 per Credit Hour	
B		2 per Credit Hour	
C		1 per Credit Hour	
<b>Required Prerequisite Courses:</b>			
Course Title	Course Code	Credit Hours	
Anatomy & Physiology I	BSC 2085C	4	
English Composition I	ENC 1101	3	
HESI A2			100
A complete HESI/A2 administration is required and is made up of nine (9) sub-tests that must be completed in one sitting. Minimum scores of 65% for each of the following sub-tests is required: grammar, reading comprehension, and vocabulary.			
<b>Points are determined by adding the scores of the 3 Categories and dividing by 3.</b>			
Bonus Points			63
<b>General Education &amp; Professional Courses: <i>Not a required prerequisite</i></b>			
Course Title	Course Code	Credit Hours	
Financial Accounting	ACG 2021	3	
Anatomy & Physiology II	BSC 2086C	4	
Business Law I	BUL 2131	3	
Humanities	ARH 2000 or PHI 2010 or MUL 2010 or LIT 2000 or HUM 2020 or THE 2000	3	
Introduction to Infectious Diseases	HSC 1524	2	
Mathematics	MAC 1105 or higher-level MAC prefix or MAP 2302 or MGF 1106 or MGF 1107 or STA 2023	3	
Applied Ethics	PHI 2603	3	
TOTAL POSSIBLE POINTS			184