Academic Assessment Plan

University of Florida

Academic Affairs

Academic Colleges

College of Veterinary Medicine

Certificates

Veterinary Forensic Sciences

Veterinary Forensic Sciences Certificate Mission

Apply techniques in forensic science and medicine to veterinary medical sciences through distance education.

Responsible Roles: Associate Director (Byrd, Jason), Executive Associate Dean

(Vickroy, Thomas)

Program: Veterinary Forensic Sciences

Progress: Ongoing

PG 1: Effective Curriculum

Deliver an effective curriculum.

Evaluation Method

Track end of course student evaluations and exit interviews from graduating students and instructor feedback.

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Thomas)

Progress: Ongoing

SLO 1: Knowledge

Students identify the critical roles veterinarians play as the medical professional in a legal investigation.

SLO Area (select one): Knowledge (Grad)

Responsible Role: Associate Director (Byrd, Jason), Executive Associate Dean (Vickroy,

Thomas)

Progress: Ongoing

Assessment Method

Students are assessed by faculty using criterion-referenced assessments during VME 6575 Veterinary Forensic Medicine (a 3 credit course offered each fall semester).

SLO 2: Skill

Students conduct an animal crime scene investigation.

SLO Area (select one): Skills (Grad)

Responsible Role: Associate Director (Byrd, Jason), Executive Associate Dean (Vickroy,

Thomas)

Progress: Ongoing

Assessment Method

Students are assessed by faculty using criterion-referenced assessments.

SLO 3: Knowledge

Students recognize and respond to basic scientific and legal principles of physical evidence.

SLO Area (select one): Knowledge (Grad)

Responsible Role: Associate Director (Byrd, Jason), Executive Associate Dean (Vickroy,

Thomas)

Progress: Ongoing

Assessment Method

Students are assessed by faculty using criterion-referenced assessments during VME 6054 Scientific and Legal Principles of Forensic Evidence (a 3 credit course offered once each spring semester).

SLO 4: Skill

Students recognize and respond to entomological evidence

SLO Area (select one): Skills (Grad)

Responsible Role: Associate Director (Byrd, Jason), Executive Associate Dean (Vickroy,

Thomas)

Progress: Ongoing

Assessment Method

Students are assessed by faculty in ENY 6706 Forensic Entomology using criterion-referenced assessments (a 3-credit course offered once each fall semester).

SLO 5: Skills

Students assess the existence of and respond to incidences interpersonal violence and cruelty to animals

SLO Area (select one): Skills (Grad)

Responsible Role: Associate Director (Byrd, Jason), Executive Associate Dean (Vickroy,

Thomas)

Progress: Ongoing

Assessment Method

Students are assessed by faculty using criterion-referenced assessment during VME 6051 Cruelty to Animal and Interpersonal Violence (a 3 credit course offered each spring semester).

Veterinary Forensic Sciences AAP Detail

Start: 7/1/2016 **End:** 6/30/2017 **Progress:**

Providing Department: Veterinary Forensic Sciences

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Thomas)

Research (Graduate and Professional AAPs only)

This is not a research program.

Assessment Timeline (Graduate and Professional AAPs only)

Assessment Timeline for Veterinary Forensic Sciences Graduate Certificate

Assessment	Assessment	Assessment	Assessment	Assessment	Assessment
	1	2	3	4	5
SLOs	VME 6575	VME 6052	VME 6054	ENY 6706	VME 6051
Knowledge					
#1	X				
#2		X			
Skills					
#3			X		
#4				X	
#5					X

Curriculum Map (UG AAPs only)

Assessment Cycle (All AAPs)

Assessment Cycle

Analysis and Interpretation: From May to June
Improvement Actions: Completed by August 31
Dissemination: Completed by September 30

Year	15-16	16-17	17-18	18-19	19-20	20-21
SLOs						
Content Knowledge						
#1	X	X	X	X	X	X
#2	X	X	X	X	X	X
Skills						
#3	X	X	X	X	X	X
#4	X	X	X	X	X	X
#5	X	X	X	X	X	X

Methods and Procedures (UG and Certificate AAPs)

Student performance is assessed by means of criterion-referenced assessments embedded within the courses.

SLO Assessment Rubric (All AAPs)

See attached.

i Discussion Rubric Final

Measurement Tools (Graduate and Professional AAPs Only)

Direct Assessments Direct assessments of SLOs are made by instructors as assignments are completed and compared to the given grading rubrics for each assignment. All assessments are criterion-referenced projects.

Indirect Assessments

Track end of course student evaluations, exit interviews from graduating students and instructor feedback.

Assessment Oversight (All AAPs)

Assessment Oversight

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