

WELCOME TO FORENSIC SCIENCE

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This is my 16th year teaching and my fourth year at Innovation Academy.

I teach forensics, physics, and biology.

My alma maters:



I have three adult sons.

I love to travel and have taken several groups on student travel tours.

Galapagos Islands (2017 & 2022)

Japan (2023 & 2026)

Thailand (June 2024)

Germany & Switzerland (June 2025)

Iceland (2027)





**INNOVATION
ACADEMY**
LEARN | CREATE | BELONG

*Different
Learners.
Brighter
Futures.*

**MEET
MR. SPENCER**



Passionate to see students succeed
and overcome learning obstacles.



EDUCATION
Life University



MASTERS
Milligan University

**LEARN**

**CREATE**

**BELONG**

*“ Looking forward to a great year
growing with the students. ”*



UNITS OF STUDY

Fall Semester	Spring Semester
Crime Scene Investigations	Fingerprints, Handwriting Analysis, Computer Forensics
Death Investigation	Toxicology
Trace Evidence: Hair and Fibers	Arson
Trace Evidence: Glass and Soil	Serology

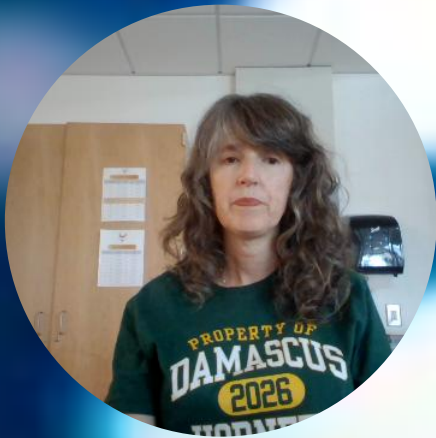


COURSE GRADES

- Major: 55% (unit tests, projects)
- Minor: 35% (quizzes, labs, mini projects)
- Practice: 10% (daily classwork/labs, lecture notes, homework)
- Recovery is available for major assessments with scores below 75%.



CLASS INFORMATION, EXPECTATION, AND STUDY TIPS



The study of forensics involves many hands-on activities and labs. Students are expected to maintain a class notebook (spiral) which will hold a majority of our classwork (notes, activities, labs, etc.)

- Students receive stamps in their notebooks when classwork is completed on time, and these stamps are counted toward their practice grades.

We also have a Canvas site (for announcements/Flex Friday assignments/help) and a OneNote notebook for class keys, PPTs, extra resources, etc.)

Most of our work is paper-pencil, but there are folders in OneNote for digital work, when applicable.

I recommend that students review their class notes and practice work every night for about 15-20 minutes. During this time students should write down any questions they have so they can ask in class or a help session.

TUTORING SESSIONS
EVERY FLEX FRIDAY
DURING THE
TUTORING HOUR
8:55—10:00 AM

THANK YOU FOR
WATCHING!

- ▶ I am also available
Wednesday mornings at 8:15.*

*I recommend that students check with
me first.
Occasionally, I have morning meetings.

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