

About the Program

The Associate in Science (A.S.) Degree in Funeral Services educates students in every phase of funeral services so that program graduates are prepared for entry-level employment in funeral service.

Note: If you are considering employment in a state other than Florida, please visit <https://www.fscj.edu/academics/license-disclose> to determine if this program will meet the selected state's educational requirements to sit for licensure or certification testing.

This program requires a **minimum of 72 credit hours**. Total program hours may vary based on the student's individual academic degree plan. This program **is eligible** for financial aid.

Program Accreditation

The Funeral Service associate degree program at Florida State College at Jacksonville is accredited by the American Board of Funeral Service Education (ABFSE), 992 Mantua Pike, Suite 108, Woodbury Heights, NJ 08097 (816) 233-3747. Web: www.abfse.org.

Program Requirements

This is a Limited Access Program. Students must follow the program application procedure and fulfill all requirements outlined in the college catalog. **Prerequisite courses** include:

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

The **application deadline** is May 15 of each year with classes starting in the fall term.

Important for You to Know

This academic roadmap does not include developmental education courses in reading, writing, and/or mathematics or other prerequisite courses that you may be required to take. In addition, it does not include program graduation requirements.

Alternative starting or completion points include: Florida Funeral Director (T.C.).

Additional Information

- ⇒ **Program information**, including advisor contact details: <https://www.fscj.edu/2161>.
- ⇒ **Associate in Science Degree Information**, including graduation requirements: <https://catalog.fscj.edu/academics/degree-certificate-programs/associate-in-science-degrees>.
- ⇒ ***Program Requirements:** <https://catalog.fscj.edu/programs/2161>.
- ⇒ **Math Pathways Information:** <https://catalog.fscj.edu/academics/math-pathways>.

Sample Roadmap

This sample roadmap shows one possible pathway to program completion and may not be appropriate for all students.

Prior to enrolling in classes, please **meet with an advisor** for specific guidance about your individual academic degree plan. Some courses are offered only once per year; advising is critical for course progression.

***See the program requirements for general education course options.**

This program includes a **Mathematical Thinking in Context math pathway**. This pathway is intended for students in the broadest range of programs of study. In this pathway, students will explore a variety of mathematical concepts utilizing multiple ways of thinking to formulate and solve problems in context.

General Education and Professional Elective Coursework

Course	Credits
PHI 2603 - Introduction to Applied Ethics	3
General Education Humanities Core course	3
General Education Mathematics course	3-5
Civic Literacy course	3
ACG 2021 - Financial Accounting or any ACG prefix course	3
BUL 2131 - Business Law I - The Legal Environment of Business	3

Term 1

Course	Credits
FSE 1000 - Introduction to Funeral Services	3
FSE 1105 - Thanatochemistry	2
FSE 2160 - Funeral Pathology	3
FSE 2202 - Funeral Home Management	3
FSE 1020 - Anatomy for Funeral Sciences	3

Term 2

Course	Credits
FSE 2060 - Funeral Directing	3
FSE 2080 - Funeral Law	3
FSE 2100 - Embalming I	3
FSE 2100L - Embalming Laboratory I	1
HSC 1524 - Introduction to Infectious Diseases	2
FSE 1204 - Computer Applications for Funeral Services	1

Term 3

Course	Credits
FSE 2120C - Restorative Art and Laboratory	4
FSE 2140 - Embalming II	3
FSE 2140L - Embalming Laboratory II	1
FSE 2946 - Funeral Services Professional Practicum	2

Term 4

Course	Credits
FSE 1150 - Cremation History, Principles and Practices	2
FSE 2061 - Funeral Services Counseling and Ethics	3
FSE 2201 - Funeral Home Operations	3
FSE 2930 - Funeral Services Professional Review - Arts	1
FSE 2931 - Funeral Services Professional Review-Sciences	1