Are you interested in applying your medical, dental or scientific knowledge in the interests of justice? Learn from Australia’s best forensic practitioners and develop specialised, highly sought-after expertise with the Master of Forensic Medicine, the only qualification of its kind in the southern hemisphere.

This internationally recognised course is delivered in partnership with the Victorian Institute of Forensic Medicine (VIFM), Australia’s largest centre for forensic medical and scientific services. You’ll be taught by real-world forensic practitioners, who have used their expertise in major local and international cases, from solving the mystery of Ned Kelly’s remains to disaster victim identification in the Indian Ocean tsunami and Black Saturday bushfires.

Gain advanced knowledge and skills that will equip you to provide high quality clinical forensic services to the community. This course is ideal for medicine, dentistry, biomedical science and radiography graduates and will enhance your future career pathways in forensic medicine, dentistry or science.

Delivered online with off-campus workshops, the Master of Forensic Medicine combines the quality of a Monash postgraduate degree with the flexibility required by working professionals.

In the Master of Forensic Medicine you will:
- learn to make high level, independent judgements in the forensic setting;
- develop a sound knowledge of medico-legal principles and gain the skills to clearly communicate medico-legal issues to the justice system, including preparing effective and objective reports;
- critically evaluate the ethical and legal issues arising in forensic medical practice, and
- discover how to gather and interpret forensic evidence in a variety of forensic medical and scientific specialisations.

Course structure

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You may be eligible to exit early with a Graduate Certificate or Graduate Diploma, if the award requirements have been met.

Delivery mode: Off-campus
Intakes: February and July
Fees: Refer to study.monash
Duration: 3 years (part-time only)

“The Master of Forensic Medicine has made me a better practitioner in the field, and the knowledge and skills developed have allowed me to be involved in advanced level casework. I chose this program for its flexible learning schedule, and the opportunity to learn from some of Australia’s best forensic practitioners at the Victorian Institute of Forensic Medicine.”

Dr Alistair Soon
Master of Forensic Medicine graduate 2015
SPECIALISATIONS
The Master of Forensic Medicine offers three areas of specialisation:
- Clinical forensic medicine
- Forensic medical science
- Forensic odontology

RESEARCH STREAM
Monash is recognised globally for its research excellence. As part of the Master of Forensic Medicine, you can choose to undertake a research project, where you’ll be matched with an expert supervisor in the field. Supported research areas include:
- Application and practice of forensic pharmacology and toxicology
- Human identification and forensic anthropology
- Technical aspects of forensic medicine, including forensic technical science and forensic imaging
- Sexual assault, physical assault and family violence
Completing the research stream can be used as a pathway to a PhD.

CAREER OUTCOMES
- Clinical forensic medicine practitioner
- Forensic odontologist
- Forensic medical scientist
- Forensic toxicologist
- Mortuary scientist

PATHWAY TO RCPA
Enrolling in the Master of Forensic Medicine is the recommended first step towards specialist recognition under the Royal College of Pathologists of Australia within the Faculties of Clinical Forensic Medicine, Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology and Science.

LEARN MORE
For further information and the entry requirements for each specialisation, visit study.monash

“My general practice has improved as a result of this course. I’m more open to other possibilities when interpreting findings, especially injuries, my research skills have improved, and am able to apply modules like custodial medicine, injury interpretation, toxicology, traffic medicine and the Law and Medicine to my daily practice.”

Dr Diana Jaravaza
Master of Forensic Medicine graduate 2014, South Africa