

## **Course Description**

## FSE2201 | Funeral Home Operations | 3.00 Credits

This class is an overview of cremation practices including but not limited to flame-based cremation and alkaline hydrolysis. Comprehensive review of merchandise and cemetery options are discussed. Corequisite: FSE2200

#### **Course Competencies:**

**Competency 1:** The student will explain the importance of a certificate of death by:

- 1. Describing the purpose and uses of the death certificate
- 2. Explaining the timelines for when the certificate must be completed and turned in to the Bureau of Vital Statistics
- 3. Explaining the importance of completing the death certificate with no errors

## **Competency 2:** The student will explain the importance of the first call by:

- 1. Explaining the importance of a first call in regards to impact on the funeral home as a business
- 2. Differentiating between different locations where a transfer of remains may occur and the best practices associated with them

# Competency 3: The student will differentiate between making funeral arrangements in different locations by:

- 1. Explaining the different locations where arrangements can occur
- 2. Contrasting arrangements made at a funeral home against those made at a resident or other location

## Competency 4: The student will discuss the ramifications of merchandising by:

- 1. Identifying the various types of caskets and outer burial containers
- 2. Identifying merchandise associated with cremation
- 3. Comparing the different materials and levels of construction that determine consumer perception of value in funeral merchandise

#### **Learning Outcomes:**

- Communicate effectively using listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills
- Solve problems using critical and creative thinking and scientific reasoning
- Formulate strategies to locate, evaluate, and apply information
- Create strategies that can be used to fulfill personal, civic, and social responsibilities
- Demonstrate an appreciation for aesthetics and creative activities

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