



Clark County Office of the Coroner/Medical Examiner Las Vegas, NV



Forensic Pathology Fellowship

About the Clark County Office of the Coroner/Medical Examiner

The NAME-accredited and IAC&ME-accredited Clark County Office of the Coroner/Medical Examiner (CCOCME), in conjunction with the Kirk Kerkorian School of Medicine at UNLV, offers a one-year ACGME-accredited fellowship training program in forensic pathology. The office serves Clark County, Nevada, which includes Las Vegas and surrounding urban and rural areas, with a combined population of over 2.2 million people and an additional 45 million visitors each year. In 2022, there were 22,452 deaths in Clark County. CCOCME was contacted regarding 7,894 of these deaths, of which 5,343 deaths required a full investigation, and 3,524 deaths, including 127 child fatalities, required a forensic examination performed by a forensic pathologist.

Our 20,500 sq. ft facility is located directly across from the Kirk Kerkorian School of Medicine at UNLV and has a fully equipped autopsy suite with four tables, and a separate special procedure autopsy suite with two additional tables. The office is currently equipped with a FOBOS radiology system, and houses laboratory and storage space, rooms for meetings and legal proceedings, private and semi-private office space/cubicle space for faculty and fellows with individual computers and microscopes, a fixed specimen cutting room (equipped with formalin hood, computer, and Photodyne), and a histology lab with tissue storage space.

About the Forensic Pathology Fellowship Position

The fellow will act as a functioning forensic pathologist, under the supervision and guidance of experienced board-certified forensic pathologists; the fellow will participate in scene investigations, is responsible for complete postmortem examinations (approx. 200-250), including thorough reports that effectively convey his/her/their findings and opinions, have good communication skills in order to discuss cases with family members, law enforcement, and attorneys, participate in conferences with interested parties, assist in the teaching of rotating medical students and other medical trainees, and is involved in court testimony. The fellow is to devote six to ten weeks exclusively to laboratory experience (e.g., toxicology, anthropology/odontology, and crime laboratory). The fellow will achieve medical knowledge, professional communication skills, practice-based learning, and system-based practice experiences required by the ACGME.



Eligibility

- Valid Nevada class C driver's license at the time of training
- Doctor of Medicine or Osteopathic Medicine degree (MD/DO)
- Valid license to practice medicine in the state of Nevada at the time of training
- Successful completion of an ACGME accredited anatomic pathology residency
- Eligibility for certification in anatomic pathology or anatomic/clinical pathology by the American Board of Pathology

Compensation and Benefits

- Salary will be based on graduate medical education year, commensurate with the level of postgraduate training in pathology
- No state income tax in Nevada
- One paid national conference (NAME or AAFS)
- Relocation allowance up to \$5000.00
- Paid vacation and sick leave as defined by the Kirk Kerkorian School of Medicine at UNLV GME vacation/annual leave policy
- Health Insurance; Dental Insurance; Vision Insurance
- Professional Liability
- Disability Insurance; Life Insurance

Application Requirements

- CAP Standardized Application
- CV without gaps in time
- Personal Statement or Letter of Interest (one page)
- Three (3) letters of reference (one of which needs to be from your program director)
- Photo

Please submit all required documents to: ForensicFellowship@clarkcountynv.gov

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