

Funeral Science Frequently Asked Questions

Q. Where and when are classes offered?

A. Candidates for this degree may attend classes at ASU campuses in Mountain Home, Jonesboro, or Beebe. All Funeral Science Core courses are offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays to facilitate the jobs of working students.

Q. To which university do I apply?

A. The Associate of Applied Science degree in Funeral Science is offered by Arkansas State University – Mountain Home, so you must apply here. If you are going to take some general education classes from another school, you will also need to apply there.

Q. How do I apply to ASUMH?

A. By visiting [this page](#). From there you can submit your application online.

Q. Am I required to come to the Mountain Home campus?

A. There are four times students are required to come to the Mountain Home campus. The first is when enrolled in the First Year Experience course taken as a prerequisite to admission into the Associate of Applied Science program. This visit will coincide with the ASUMH Fire It Up event normally held the second week of classes. The second visit to campus is required during the second week of class when taking Orientation to Funeral Service. Both of these visits are one day visits. No overnight stay is required.

The third required visit to the Mountain Home campus is during the final fall semester, while enrolled in Embalming II and Restorative Art, to attend Training Camp. Every student is required to attend this four-day event on the Mountain Home campus referred to as “Training Camp” normally held the week prior to ASUMH Fall Break. During this time, students will take part in and demonstrate skills in the following:

- Simulated embalming utilizing Syndaver synthetic cadavers
- Restorative Art, including cosmetics, wax reconstruction
- First Call & Transfer of Human Remains
- Dressing and Casketing
- Funeral Arranging and related skills
- Simulated funeral and graveside services
- Cremator Operator Certification

These will be 8+ hour days. Travel and lodging and some meals are the responsibility of the student.

The fourth required visit to the Mountain Home campus during the student’s final semester while enrolled in Comprehensive Review. This visit will include a simulated National Board Exam. It will be scheduled approximately one month before the end of the semester.

Q. Is the entire Funeral Science program brought to Beebe and Jonesboro?

A. Only the Funeral Science Core courses are sent via the network. The required General Education Core courses can be obtained from the school/campus where you attend classes or another accredited university. The classes are also available from ASUMH online.

Q. Which campus handles the financial aid?

A. ASUMH is the school offering the degree and the majority of the classes. This is where financial aid and book vouchers will originate in most cases. The ASUMH School Code for your FAFSA is 042544. For more on Financial Aid, go to <https://www.asumh.edu/financial-aid/financial-aid.html>

Q. Where do the distance students obtain their books for the Funeral Science courses?

A. Usually, the ASUMH Bookstore supplies the books for all classes offered. Students simply call the Bookstore, tell the personnel there the courses in which they are enrolled, and the books will be packaged and shipped to them. Students can also order online at: <https://www.bkstr.com/asumhstore/home>.