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Included below is a press release regarding "Death in the Dome Room: An Interactive Crime Scene." Further information is available by contacting Leah Nixon, assistant director of News Services.

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Ferris Forensic Students Bring CSI to Dome Room

BIG RAPIDS – Ever wonder what it takes to be a real-world CSI investigator? Join the Association of Ferris Forensic Students for "Death in the Dome Room: An Interactive Crime Scene" at 7 p.m. March 18 and find out.

The group will take audience members through a "who done it" murder mystery of sorts as they feature a simulated homicide that includes how to properly process a crime scene and analyze evidence. Free of charge and open to the public, audience members are encouraged to help solve the case.

"In any field, hands-on experience and exposure to professionals working in the field are critical to the success of students entering the work force," says Phillip Watson, professor of Biology and Forensic Biology program coordinator. "Death in the Dome Room is a chance for those outside of the field of forensics to get a glimpse of tactics that make real-life crime-fighting even more remarkable than what gets shown fictionally on television. Ferris designed its Forensic Science sequence to give students – literally – hands-on experience that will relate to real crime scenes."

Through Ferris' College of Education and Human Services students can obtain a minor in Forensic Science that gives students a background that will prepare them for a wide-range of careers in law enforcement and homeland security through coursework that includes classes in Criminal Justice, Biology and Chemistry.

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