

Advisory Committee Recommendations

June 28, 2018

Name of Advisory Board: **Funeral Services**

In Attendance: Rick Hahn, Jay Rhodes, Stacy Adams, Deb Davis, Karla MacLeran, Dr. Rich Flora and Kevin Davis

Not in Attendance: Carol Corbridge, Ira Kirkwood, John Anders and Blair Kriever

Minutes for 6/29/18

2017 NBE Results for SPC

10 out of 14 passed the NBE Arts

14 out of 16 passed the NBE Sciences

Science	National Average	SPC Average
Overall Pass Rate	79	89
Embalming	45.5/60	49.8
Restorative Art	27/38	28.8
Preparation for disposition	16.1/22	16.4
Funeral Service Science	22.5/30	24.1
Arts	76	71
Funeral Directing	38.9/52	39.7
FS/Merchandising	15.8/22	16.2
Counseling	17.6/23	18.1
Regulations/compliance	27.5/38	28.1
Cemetery/Crematory Operations	11.9/15	12.1

PROGRAM INFORMATION - St. Petersburg

Year	Total enrolled	# of New Students	# of Grads	Timely Grad*	Graduation rate	Did not finish**	Overall % Employed	Employed In FS
2017	99	31	29	13/29	45%	8	86%	86%
2016	92	39	27	15/27	55%	8	93%	89%
2015	87	28	20	8/20	40%	5	90%	90%

NATIONAL BOARD STATISTICS - St. Petersburg

3 year Average	% Pass Arts	% Pass Sciences
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2015 - 2017	81%	84%
2014 - 2016	84%	86%
2013 - 2015	78%	81%
Most recent	# Takers	# Passed
2017 Arts	14	10
2017 Sciences	18	16

Discuss new aims and objectives for the Funeral Services program. They are required by the ABFSE.

Aims and Objectives

2.1 *The central objective of an ABFSE-accredited program must be to educate students in every phase of funeral service so that program graduates are prepared for entry-level employment in funeral service. In support of this objective, a program must adopt at least the following Learning Outcomes:*

- 2.1.1** *Explain the importance of funeral service professionals in developing relationships with the families and communities they serve.*
- 2.1.2** *Apply standards of ethical conduct in funeral service practice.*
- 2.1.3** *Interpret how federal, state, and local laws apply to funeral service in order to ensure compliance.*
- 2.1.4** *Apply principles of public health and safety in the handling and preparation of human remains.*
- 2.1.5** *Demonstrate technical skills in embalming and restorative art that are necessary for the preparation and handling of human remains.*
- 2.1.6** *Demonstrate skills required for conducting arrangement conferences, visitations services, and ceremonies.*
- 2.1.7** *Describe the requirements and procedures for burial, cremation, and others accepted forms of final disposition of human remains.*
- 2.1.8** *Describe methods to address the grief-related needs of the bereaved*
- 2.1.9** *Explain management skills associated with operating a funeral establishment.*
- 2.1.10** *Demonstrate verbal and written communication skills and research skills needed for funeral service practice.*

The committee approved the new requirement that all students must complete an orientation to the program before registering for FSE classes.

New Funeral Directing Requirements by the ABFSE: The Program must document that Students must participate in:

1. Five first calls
2. Transfer of remains
3. Five funeral arrangements
4. Five funeral services
5. Numerous forms and authorizations