

FOURTH SEMESTER P.G. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2022

(CCSS)

Forensic Science

FSC 4E 39—FORENSIC-BOTANY, WILDLIFE AND MICROBIAL FORENSIC

(2019 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Write an essay on any *two* of the following :

- 1 Discuss the dynamics of disease transmission and the method to be adopted for an outbreak investigation.
- 2 Discuss the procedure for toxin analysis using mass spectroscopy.
- 3 Discuss the methods of forensic examination of various plant foods to rule out toxic adulterants.
- 4 What are wildlife artifacts ? Discuss how they are documented and analysed in a case of alleged poaching.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)

II. Write short essays on any *three* of the following :

- 5 How is biosurveillance conducted ?
- 6 Describe the identification features of the four major venomous snakes in Kerala ?
- 7 Describe any *one* of the analytical testing methods for lead.
- 8 Describe the powers and functions of the Pollution Control Board.
- 9 Describe the analytical method used to analyse adulteration in petrol.

(3 × 10 = 30 marks)

III. Write short notes on any *five* of the following :

- 10 Forensic aspects of biological toxins.
- 11 Urobilinogen test.
- 12 Oil spill analysis protocol.

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- 13 Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons..
- 14 Bio-medical waste management rules.
- 15 Trade in wild animals
- 16 Deliberate introduction of a biological agent.
- 17 Importance of proteomics in bio-forensics.

(5 × 4 = 20 marks)

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FSC 4E 38—FORENSIC ANTHROPOLOGY, ENTOMOLOGY AND ODONTOLOGY

(2019 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Write an essay on any *two* of the following :

- 1 Discuss the role of forensic paleo-anthropology in archeology.
- 2 Discuss how somatoscopic observations help in identification.
- 3 Discuss the role of forensic taphonomy in assessing the post-mortem interval.
- 4 Discuss how the concept of "DNA kinship" helps in identification.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)

II. Write short essays on any *three* of the following :

- 5 What are the insects of forensic importance in Kerala ?
- 6 Genetic traits which are of forensic importance.
- 7 Stature determination using long bones.
- 8 Bite mark analysis.
- 9 Sex differences in the human pelvic bones.

(3 × 10 = 30 marks)

III. Write short notes on any *five* of the following :

- 10 Facial reconstruction.
- 11 Entomo-toxicology.
- 12 Factors that influence insect succession on the putrefying human body.
- 13 Racial differences in the human skull.
- 14 Determination of identity from recovered bones.
- 15 DNA isolation from human teeth.
- 16 Role of aquatic fauna in forensic investigations.
- 17 Importance of the Human ear in biometric identification.

(5 × 4 = 20 marks)

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FSC 4E 37—PHARMACOLOGY AND FORENSIC ANALYSIS OF DRUGS

(2019 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Write an essay on any *two* of the following :

- 1 Discuss the abuse and addiction potential of Cocaine.
- 2 Discuss the role of performance enhancement drugs in sports and their detection.
- 3 Discuss the sites of absorption of ethanol in the human body. How is it eliminated from the body ?
- 4 Discuss the common adulterants used in opioid drugs and the determination of purity of a seized sample.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)

II. Write short essays on any *three* of the following :

- 5 What are hallucinogenic drugs ? Discuss their prevalence in Kerala.
- 6 NDPS Act.
- 7 Discuss the analysis of drugs using HPLC.
- 8 Methods of extraction of drugs from blood and viscera samples.
- 9 Drug toxicity and death.

(3 × 10 = 30 marks)

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III. Write short notes on any *five* of the following :

- 10 Date rape drugs.
- 11 Micro crystal test.
- 12 Anabolic-Androgenic Steroids (AAS).
- 13 Cerebral Depressants.
- 14 Methaqualone.
- 15 Khat.
- 16 Designer drugs.
- 17 Clinical effects of opium on the human body.

(5 × 4 = 20 marks)

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FSC 4E 36—EXPLOSIVES AND EXPLOSION

(2019 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Write an essay on any *two* of the following. Each question carries 15 marks :

- 1 Describe how an explosion site is scientifically evaluated.
- 2 Describe and explain the various equipment used for detection of explosives and explosive devices.
- 3 Explain the role of “ICP-MS” in analysis of explosive residues.
- 4 Discuss the methods of extraction of explosive residues from post blast debris.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)

II. Write short essays on any *three* of the following. Each question carries 10 marks :

- 5 Discuss the “reconstruction” of the sequence of events post an explosion.
- 6 Explain how bombs are disposed of by the Police.
- 7 Discuss the methods of “sample collection” from the site of an explosion. Add a note on the precautions to be taken.
- 8 Discuss and describe the “effects of an explosion” which are used to evaluate an explosion incident.
- 9 Discuss the general methods of manufacture of explosives.

(3 × 10 = 30 marks)

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III. Write short notes on any *five* of the following. Each question carries 4 marks :

- 10 Colour tests for explosive residues.
- 11 Nitro-cellulose.
- 12 Slurry explosives.
- 13 Detonator.
- 14 PETN.
- 15 Polymer bonded explosives.
- 16 Use of FTIR in detecting explosion residues.
- 17 RDX.

(5 × 4 = 20 marks)

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FSC 4E 35—ADVANCED FORENSIC BALLISTICS

(2019 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Write an essay on any *two* of the following :

- 1 Describe and explain any *one* instrumentation technique used to analyse gunshot residue recovered from the hands of the shooter.
- 2 Describe the various methods used to remove serial numbers.
- 3 Correlating the range of fire assessment using the appearance of the entry wound of a smooth-bore firearm.
- 4 Discuss the role of scene evaluation in a shooting reconstruction.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)

II. Write short essays on any *three* of the following :

- 5 Discuss how the time elapsed since firing is assessed ?
- 6 Fired cartridge case analysis.
- 7 Chemical methods of restoration of erased serial numbers.
- 8 Discuss the use of blood spatter analysis in a shooting incident analysis.
- 9 Describe and explain the various simple mathematics involved in shooting reconstructions.

(3 × 10 = 30 marks)

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III. Write short notes on any *five* of the following :

- 10 Ultrasonic cavitation.
- 11 Ferrozine test.
- 12 Residues inside the barrel with smokeless gunpowder.
- 13 Ricochet marks.
- 14 Bullet entry wound.
- 15 Kronlein shot.
- 16 Cartridge case ejection pattern.
- 17 Laser etching.

(5 × 4 = 20 marks)

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FSC 4E 34—FORENSIC AUDIO VIDEO ANALYSIS

(2019 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Write an essay on any *two* of the following :

- 1 Describe the acoustic properties of the vocal tract.
- 2 Describe and explain the analysis of the linguistic and phonetic characteristics in forensic speaker recognition.
- 3 Describe the variable factors which affect voice identification.
- 4 Describe and explain the procedure of linear and non linear editing of video footage.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)

II. Write short essays on any *three* of the following :

- 5 Describe and explain the method of iris scanning in authentication using biometrics.
- 6 Describe the concept of digital watermarking of video footage.
- 7 Describe the concept of test and error in speaker identification.
- 8 Application of pattern recognition in speaker identification
- 9 Spectrographic analysis of recorded audio.

(3 × 10 = 30 marks)

III. Write short notes on any *five* of the following :

- 10 Gait pattern analysis.
- 11 Automated speaker identification and verification system.
- 12 Speech spectrographic analysis.
- 13 3D face recognition.
- 14 Geometric morphometrics.
- 15 Difference between place and manner of articulation.
- 16 Hand vascular pattern biometrics.
- 17 Digital video recording formats.

(5 × 4 = 20 marks)

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FSC 4E 33—FORGERY AND ITS FORENSIC DETECTION

(2019 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Write an essay on any *two* of the following :

- 1 Describe and explain the method of examination of a counterfeit banknote.
- 2 Describe the characteristics of genuine and forged signatures.
- 3 What is meant by the term “anachronistic features” and explain their importance in limiting the age of documents ?
- 4 Describe and explain the procedure of examination of scanned documents.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)

II. Write short essays on any *three* of the following :

- 5 Forensic accounting and auditing in detection of corporate frauds.
- 6 Describe the various factors responsible for variations in signatures.
- 7 Describe how the age of a document is determined.
- 8 Use of desktop printers and image processing devices in forged Certificate Preparation.
- 9 Revenue stamp forgery and their detection.

(3 × 10 = 30 marks)

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FSC 4E 32—ADVANCED FINGERPRINT DEVELOPMENT METHODS

(2019 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Write an essay on any *two* of the following. Each question carries 15 marks :

- 1 Describe and explain the Physical methods of fingerprint enhancement.
- 2 Describe the method of latent fingerprint development on metallic surfaces.
- 3 Describe the procedure of Cyanoacrylate fuming and fixation in development of fingerprints.
Add a note on the operational use of the vapor method.
- 4 Describe and explain the use of nanoparticles in fingerprinting.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)

II. Write short essays on any *three* of the following. Each question carries 10 marks :

- 5 Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS).
- 6 Describe the magnetic powder method in developing a latent fingerprint.
- 7 Describe the vacuum metal deposition technique of developing latent fingerprints.
- 8 Explain the limitations of Direct lifting methods in fingerprint development.
- 9 Describe and explain the various factors which complicate the interpretation of fingerprint comparisons.

(3 × 10 = 30 marks)

III. Write short notes on any *five* of the following. Each question carries 4 marks :

- 10 American classification system of fingerprints.
- 11 Types of AFIS search.

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- 12 Use of Oil Red O in developing latent fingerprints.
- 13 Use of Sudan Black in fingerprint development.
- 14 Luminescent powder.
- 15 Electrochemical method of fingerprint development.
- 16 Chemical composition of fingerprint powder.
- 17 Development of latent fingerprints on human skin.

(5 × 4 = 20 marks)

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M.Sc. Forensic Science

FSC 4E 41—DIGITAL IMAGE PROCESSING

(2019 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Write an essay on any *two* of the following :

- 1 Discuss what is meant by a digital image compression. What are the compression standards ? Differentiate between an error free compression and a lossy compression.
- 2 What is meant by pattern recognition ? What are its forensic applications ?
- 3 Discuss what is meant by steganography. How is it different from watermarking ?
- 4 Discuss the robust watermarking approaches. Mention their advantages and limitations too.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)

II. Write short essays on any *three* of the following :

- 5 Discuss the communication based models of watermarking.
- 6 Machine learning.
- 7 Artificial intelligence.
- 8 Hit or miss transformation.
- 9 Support vector machine.

(3 × 10 = 30 marks)

III. Write short notes on any *five* of the following :

- 10 Steganalysis.
- 11 Geometric model's of watermarking.
- 12 Hidden markov models.
- 13 Probabilistic neural networks.
- 14 Perceptron.
- 15 Gray-scale images.
- 16 Image enhancement in the frequency domain.
- 17 Redundancies in image compression.

(5 × 4 = 20 marks)

FOURTH SEMESTER P.G. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2021

(CCSS)

M.Sc. Forensic Science

FSC 4E 40—ETHICAL HACKING AND RECOVERY FORENSIC

(2019 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Write an essay on any *two* of the following :

- 1 Discuss the methods / routes by which a computer network of an organization gets vulnerable to hacking / hostile attacks..
- 2 Discuss how the risk of a network being breached is analysed. Explain how the data is secured in the contingency of a cyber attack.
- 3 Discuss what is meant by web server hacking and explain how to prevent such an event.
- 4 Discuss the methods by which deleted data can be recovered.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)

II. Write short essays on any *three* of the following :

- 5 Discuss the various surveillance / snooping techniques and explain the countermeasures which can be employed to detect and prevent snooping.
- 6 How is data hidden ? Also discuss how hidden data can be discovered.
- 7 Discuss the concept of ethical hacking.
- 8 Describe how data can be recovered from a corrupted hard drive..
- 9 What is meant by SQL injection and prevention.

(3 × 10 = 30 marks)

III. Write short notes on any *five* of the following :

- 10 Hostile Code.
- 11 Disk imaging.
- 12 Session hijacking.
- 13 Authentication and authorization.
- 14 Worms.
- 15 Honey trap forensics.
- 16 Disk cloning.
- 17 Recovering digital evidence using winhex.

(5 × 4 = 20 marks)