



Medical University of South Carolina Forensic Pathology Fellowship



Location: Charleston, SC

Region: South-Atlantic

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Participating in Match?: Yes

Number of Fellowship Positions: 1

Our forensic pathology fellowship program is housed within the Department of Pathology at the Medical University of South Carolina and provides individualized training in a welcoming environment with a rich diversity of cases including a large percentage of homicides and pediatric deaths. As a university hospital-based office, we have access to the vast resources our university has to offer including abundant in-house laboratory testing, readily available consultants, and numerous educational opportunities.

Year Fellowship established- 1968

Number of medical examiner staff- 7

Number of fellows per year- 1

Annual caseload: ~1500

Coverage : ~1/3 of South Carolina including a variety of geographic regions

Residents and/or medical students rotation:

Located in a major academic teaching hospital, we enjoy an education focused environment with an abundance of rotating residents and medical students. Likewise, our AP/CP faculty are readily available, including board certified neuropathologists offering weekly brain cutting sessions.

Imaging capabilities and in-house labs:

Post-mortem imaging is provided by our radiology department, with access to in-house radiologists. On-site histology, special stains and clinical laboratories offer an extensive catalog of tests. Toxicology testing is performed at off-site accredited labs with access to consultants. A healthy fellow book fund allows for educational experiences and travel.



Charleston is a beautiful and historic city that is consistently ranked as one of the top cities and tourist destinations in the United States. Our jurisdiction covers a large portion of the state and provides a rich diversity in cases as we cover coastal and inland areas along with urban and rural locales.



Our location along the Atlantic Coast provides a large number of water-related deaths including drownings, SCUBA deaths, boating incidents, and more. Additionally, being located within a major teaching hospital provides abundant educational opportunities for our fellow both within our department and across campus.