

**Miami-Dade College**  
**FSE 2160 Pathology**

Course Description: This course is the study of pathological disease conditions and how they affect various parts of the body with particular emphasis on those conditions which relate to or affect the embalming or restorative art process.

*4 Credits*

Prerequisite: BSC 1084

Course Competencies:

Competency 1: The student will identify the pathological conditions and etiological factors which require special procedures in the removal, handling, preparation and disposition of human remains by:

- a. compiling a list of diseases that are communicable.
- b. describing conditions that may indicate a certain disease.
- c. describing methods one can use in protecting him/herself from the disease.
- d. describing methods one can use to disinfect the body in order to protect the family and friends.

Competency 2: The student will demonstrate a knowledge of diseases and related terminology which will enable competent communication with members of the medical field, allied professionals and surviving family members by:

- a. preparing a list of diseases with definitions
- b. creating a list of diseases showing their etiology
- c. developing a list showing signs and symptoms of diseases

Competency 3: The student will describe the benefits derived from the postmortem examination of human remains by:

- a. describing the confirmation or altering of the clinical diagnosis and treatment.
- b. Describing how the autopsy advances medical knowledge and research
- c. Describing how the autopsy assists in medicolegal cases.