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## Florida Forensics / CSI

Orlando & Gainesville, Florida

Forensics + Physics, Animal & Space Sciences

7-days / 6-nights

### Florida Forensics / CSI - Sample Itinerary

Day	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
1 Sunday	Travel to Orlando, transfer to Hotel		Welcome & Safety   Dinner
2 Monday	Wild Florida Airboats & BBQ Lunch	The Orlando Eye & Physics Master Class   Mini-Golf Tournament	WonderWorks + Comedy Pizza Dinner Show
3 Tuesday	NASA's Kennedy Space Center at Cape Canaveral		Dinner
4 Wednesday	Transfer to Gainesville   University of Florida Campus Tour	<i>Crime Scene Investigation Master Class Series</i>	Dinner & Free Time
5 Thursday	<i>Crime Scene Investigation Master Class Series</i>		Dinner & Roller Skating
6 Friday	<i>Crime Scene Investigation Master Class Series</i>		Farewell Dinner
7 Saturday	Free Time	Transfer to airport; travel home	



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As with all sample itineraries, please be advised that this is an 'example' of a schedule and that the activities and hotels shown may be variable dependent upon dates, weather, special requests and other factors. Itineraries will be confirmed prior to travel.

## Day 1

*Dinner on arrival, dependent upon flight times*

Travel to Florida arriving in the late afternoon or early evening. After boarding your motorcoach your group will be transferred to your hotel located on International Drive.

**Sample Hotel: The Rosen Inn at Pointe Orlando** – The Rosen Inn at Pointe Orlando is ideally located on Orlando's famous International Drive. This hotel's superb central location provides easy access to major attractions, including Universal Studios Florida. The hotel features three attractive pool areas with beautifully landscaped gardens, and a Guest Services Desk offering day trips, transportation arrangements and attraction tickets, a gift shop, a video arcade, a full restaurant, a sports bar and a snack shop & deli. Rooms feature two queen beds, cable television, in-room coffee, hair dryers, in-room safes, microwaves and refrigerators. [www.roseninn9000.com](http://www.roseninn9000.com)



After check-in, we'll get settled, have our Visions Welcome & Safety Meeting and have dinner. There's plenty to do both at the hotel and in the nearby areas.

## Day 2

*Breakfast, lunch & dinner included*

Today is the day to have fun and learn about Florida. We'll start the day visiting the northern Florida everglades, taking an airboat ride and learning about alligators in the wild; lunch is included. In the afternoon, we'll peer down on Orlando from the top of the Eye, then try our hand at mini-golf before wrapping up the day with a pizza party!

**Wild Florida Airboat Tours** - Located 45-minutes outside of Orlando, a visit into the Florida Everglades will be the wildest adventure you'll find in Central Florida. Experience a part of Florida that hasn't changed much from when early pioneers arrived in covered wagons in the 1800s. Climb aboard a U.S. Coast Guard certified airboat and catch a glimpse of alligators, eagles, turkeys, wild boars, roseate spoonbills, and other native creatures. Stroll through the Wildlife Park where you can see lemurs, sloths, zebras, and other animals native to South America, Africa, and Australia. Wild Florida is a feast for the eyes and the soul.



**Educational Components:** 1) Airboat Eco-Tour. Students will see a variety of animal and plant wildlife identified by airboat captains. Topics covered will include the Florida Ecosystem, native and invasive species, and interdependence attributes. 2) Alligator Presentation. Students will get an up-close look at alligators with an in-depth presentation of topics including lifecycle, diet, anatomy/physiology and behavioural aspects. 3) Wildlife Park. Students will tour the wildlife park with over 100 species of native and exotic animals including a walk through 'Hawk Swamp' to see what Florida looked like 1,000 years ago. Topics include the swamp ecosystem, endangered and threatened species, adaptations and characteristics of animals. Your excursion will include a 1-hour airboat tour, an alligator demonstration with photo, a BBQ lunch plus admission to the Wildlife Park.

**The Orlando Eye** - the tallest observation wheel on the East Coast. Take a moment to escape, and discover the magic and natural wonder Orlando has to offer from above. The iconic 400-foot tall observation wheel provides breath-taking views of Central Florida in all directions, with sights of downtown Orlando's skyline, theme parks, lakes and lush landscape, and on a clear day, views of Cape Canaveral on the east coast. The stabilized-driven capsule gives you a smooth experience and is the first wheel ever to use such a system in combination with a suspended "ski lift capsule design". 30-air-conditioned, fully enclosed passenger capsules, each of which can carry up to 15 persons.



**Eye on Physics Master Class - Newton's Laws:** Students will explore Newton's Laws of Motion and analyse how they relate to the operation of the Coca-Cola Orlando Eye. (Available Monday through Friday only)

Afterwards, we're off for a **mini-golf challenge** before arriving at WonderWorks for a fabulous evening!

**WonderWorks & The Outta Control Magic Comedy Dinner Show** – Wonderworks is an amusement park for the mind, combining education and entertainment in over 100 hands-on exhibits for students of all ages. Students will feel the 65-mph hurricane force winds, be shaken by a 5.3 earthquake, play virtual sports, land the space shuttle, fly a fighter jet, lay on a bed of nails, design and ride their own roller coaster and even compete in a Laser Tag game in the world's largest Laser Tag Arena & Arcade.





Schools will also experience the “Outta Control Comedy/Magic Dinner Show” combining high-energy comedy improvisation with spectacular magic to thoroughly entertain audiences of all ages. During the show, schools will enjoy unlimited hand-tossed pizza, popcorn and soft drinks.

### Day 3

*Breakfast & dinner included; lunch on own*

Rise and shine for a spectacular space day! Today we're heading to Cape Canaveral on Florida's eastern coast, home to NASA's Kennedy Space Center.

**NASA's Kennedy Space Center** - John Glenn, Neil Armstrong, Sally Ride and Jim Lovell are just a few names of the brave men and women that have launched into space from Kennedy Space Center, and now it's your turn to become a part of the space program. Your full day of exploration includes real space hardware, authentic attractions, inspiring exhibits and hands-on experiences. The incredible accomplishments of the Apollo moon program return to life in the amazing Apollo/Saturn V Center. In back-to-back IMAX® theatres, you'll feel the thrill of space exploration on five-story screens as you "float" right alongside NASA Astronauts. On guided tours into exclusive areas, you'll get a behind-the-scenes look at Kennedy Space Center's working space flight facilities. Strap in and experience interactive space flight simulators at the Astronaut Hall of Fame. Touch a real piece of Mars, see gigantic rockets, board the Space Shuttle Explorer and much more.



Your exploration of Kennedy Space Center starts with one of their world-renowned tours, where you depart the Visitor Complex to see awesome NASA facilities, including the massive launch pads, gigantic Vehicle Assembly Building, and exploring the awe-inspiring Apollo/Saturn V Center. There is much to do at the Visitor Complex when you return, from live action theatrical shows like Mad Mission to Mars, to the inspiring Astronaut Encounter briefing with an actual NASA Astronaut - one of the few people on Earth who have been to space. View ten-story high rockets from all eras of space exploration in the Rocket Garden, walk through a full-size Space Shuttle mock-up, see IMAX space films on gigantic five-story screens, and see an actual Gemini program capsule on display in Early Space Exploration.

**IMPORTANT NOTE** – Please be aware that this day includes 10-hours of motorcoach time. As NASA is approximately a 1.5-hour drive from your hotel, the time reserved breaks out to 3 hours for travel to/from NASA plus 7-hours to explore. If your school desires more time at NASA, we will be happy to book this for you but please be aware that motorcoach time is calculated hourly and you will be responsible for any additional fees incurred.

This evening we'll have dinner in our hotel.

### Day 4

*Breakfast & dinner included; lunch on own*

Rise and shine early today! We'll check-out of our hotel, board our coach and travel to Gainesville, Florida, home to the University of Florida, approximately a 2-hour drive.

**University of Florida Campus Tour** - The best way to get to know the University of Florida is to see the University of Florida. Tours are available Monday through Friday, beginning with a 30-minute information session followed by a 90-minute walking tour led by students. Groups are encouraged to

wear comfortable shoes and clothing suitable for the climate. While tour groups do not enter campus buildings, visitors are encouraged to explore campus before or after the tour.



*Important: Tours are not offered during state and university holidays or during breaks between university semesters when classes are not in session at UF.*

If you desire an expanded visit, the following colleges offer specialized tours on select days during the fall and spring semesters. If you wish to include one of these options, please make us aware when requesting a quote so we can adjust your itinerary and trip inclusions appropriately.

[School of Arts + Art History](#)  
[Digital Worlds Institute](#)  
[College of Education](#)  
[College of Engineering](#)  
[Innovation Academy](#)  
[College of Journalism and Communications](#)  
[Rinker School of Construction Management](#)  
[Warrington College of Business Administration](#)  
[College of Veterinary Medicine](#)

After our Campus Tour, we'll head to the CSI Academy of Florida where we'll be working for the next few days.

***The CSI Academy of Florida*** - A 28,000-square-foot, state-of-the-art facility is housed on 7-acres of land and used for hands-on forensic science training. The academy trains police officers, state investigators and CSI techs from across America and beyond and is our partner in providing this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for Visions students.



Students will learn from real crime scene investigators and get hands-on experience with criminal investigations. Students will be in and out of crime scenes learning how to lift prints from all types of surfaces, how to do casting impressions of footprints and/or tire prints, alternate light source applications, crime scene photography, blood spatter analysis, sketching and diagramming of crime scenes, courtroom testimony and more. The program is structured to highlight the importance of

learning how to collaborate in teams all while building one's own knowledge foundation and confidence through their own individual efforts while working on realistic simulated crime scenes.

Your forensics training team is comprised of the best representatives in the field of Crime Scene Investigation. Each of the instructors is an expert, many recognized nationally, in his or her respective field. They'll help take your CSI skills to the next level and train you in critical thinking and the most advanced techniques in forensic science. Each of them has extensive education and experience in the private and public sector, and each maintains a current Florida license or certificate in their respective fields. Course exercises are based on real-life cases that the instructors have dealt with over the course of their careers.



**Introduction to Crime Scene Investigation** - From the specifics of approaching and securing a crime scene to the presentation of evidence in the courtroom, this scenario-based course will give students exposure to the principles and practices of crime scene investigations. This is the foundational course required for most advanced courses and is groundwork for beginning investigators to understand the basic techniques required for working active crime scenes.

Topics covered include:

- How to properly approach, document, and analyse a crime scene
- Photography basics
- Techniques to recover latent, patent, and plastic fingerprints and palm prints
- Basic bloodstain pattern analysis
- Shoe print and tire track documentation and casting techniques
- Trace evidence documentation and recovery
- Courtroom presentation

In the evening, we'll check into our hotel, get settled and have dinner.

**Sample Hotel: Holiday Inn Express Gainesville** – Rooms feature 2 queen beds to sleep 4 pupils or 2 staff. Hotel amenities include hair dryers, mini-refrigerators, microwaves, coffee makers, flat-screen TV, work desk with lamp, cable / satellite with premium channels, on-site business center, complimentary wi-fi in rooms, heated outdoor pool, fitness centre, full breakfasts and complimentary coffee throughout the day. [WEBSITE](#)



## **Days 5 & 6**

*Breakfast & dinner included; lunch on own*

Today we'll be spending our entire days with Forensics training at the CSI Academy. Dinner will be local and in the early evening so we have fun time to explore. Roller skating is included on one evening, the other is free for us to take in the sights.

## **Day 7**

*Breakfast included but dependent upon departure time*

Today we'll end our tour with free time in the morning (dependent upon flight timings) and then traveling to the airport back in Orlando for our flight home, taking memories away with us that will last forever.



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# FLORIDA FORENSICS

**Minimum Booking Numbers:**

20 students

**What's Included:**

Roundtrip flights or motorcoach transport  
6-nights' accommodation in Orlando & Gainesville  
Airport transfers & group transportation to activities  
Breakfasts & dinners daily starting with dinner on your  
night of arrival and ending with breakfast on  
your day of departure  
NASA Day at Kennedy Space Center, Cape Canaveral  
Wild Florida Airboat Ride, Alligator Master Class, Tour &  
BBQ Lunch  
University of Florida Campus Tour  
Introduction to Crime Scene Investigation 2.5-Day  
Specialty Course at the CSI Academy of Florida  
The Orlando Eye & Physics Master Class  
Mini-Golf Excursion  
WonderWorks + Comedy Pizza Dinner Show  
Roller Skating evening  
CSI T-Shirt, per participant  
Dedicated Visions Tour Ambassador  
24-hour emergency cover

**What's Not Included:**

Fully comprehensive insurance (mandatory)  
Transfers to/from home airport  
Meals not shown as 'included' above (lunches)  
Cost of visas, full or collective passports  
Cost of inoculations or medication required for travel  
Sightseeing / Entertainment Options not shown in  
Itinerary  
Hotel incidental deposits & bills – meals, mini-bar items,  
recreation charges, purchases billed to room,  
Any gratuities – coach drivers, maid/ bellman services,  
Visions Ambassador, local guides

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