

TOGETHER WE THRIVE

OUR MISSION

The mission of the Cuyahoga County Medical Examiner's Office Citizens Academy is to educate our residents on the operations and procedures of our office and laboratory.

COURSE SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER 24

Introduction | Tour

OCTOBER 1

Death Investigations

OCTOBER 8

Toxicology

OCTOBER 15

Epidemiology | Mock Scenes

OCTOBER 22

Forensic Pathology

OCTOBER 27 & 28 (OPTIONAL)

Demonstration Autopsy

OCTOBER 29

Fingerprints

NOVEMBER 5

Drug Chemistry

NOVEMBER 12

Trace Evidence

NOVEMBER 19

Case Studies

DECEMBER 3

Graduation | Medical Examiner Q&A

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CITIZENS ACADEMY



CUYAHOGA COUNTY
MEDICAL EXAMINER'S OFFICE

Fall - 2026

2026 CITIZENS ACADEMY

Do you have an interest in learning about death investigations? The Cuyahoga County Medical Examiner's Office Citizens Academy is a once-a-week, 10-week program designed to give Cuyahoga County residents an inside look at what goes into death investigations.

Every Thursday, classes will be held from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at the Cuyahoga County Medical Examiner's Office. The fee for the academy is \$100, and enrollment is open to all qualified residents. Payment for the academy only applies to the applicants that have been selected to participate.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Must be at least 21 years of age and a resident of Cuyahoga County or work in Cuyahoga County.
- Must have no felony convictions. Applicants may be subject to a background check.
- Must attend at least 8 of the 10 courses offered to qualify for graduation. This academy is limited to 40 participants.



GET INVOLVED

APPLY TODAY

Submit your online application at:
mecitizensacademy.com



DEADLINE

Applications must be submitted online by
August 21, 2026.

If you need a paper application please contact
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