

Mid-America College of Funeral Service has maintained a storied history of preparing students for a career in professional deathcare. The administrators, faculty, and staff are dedicated to continual innovation and improvement in the content and delivery of funeral service education. After careful consideration and analysis of all stakeholders, including students, the Funeral Service Bachelor of Science program will be moved to a Teachout status.

Enrollment Deadline

Students will continue to be enrolled in the Funeral Service Bachelor of Science program with the Fall 2024 quarter (October 7th, 2024) as the final quarter of admission. Effective for the Winter 2025 (January 6th, 2025) quarter*, students will no longer be admitted to the Teachout version of the Funeral Service Bachelor of Science program.

Communication Plan

Students, as well as, withdrawn students, faculty, and staff will be notified of the program Teachout by email, website announcements, and social media outreach. Communication campaigns for all affected parties will begin once approval is granted for the updated program version through both the American Board of Funeral Service Education and State Licensing Boards.

Projected Timelines for communication are:

Outreach Type	Current Students	Faculty	Staff	Withdrawn Students
Email	11/25/2024*	12/02/2024*	12/09/2024*	12/16/2024*
Website Announcement	12/02/2024*			
Social Media (Facebook, Instagram)	12/02/2024*			

*Projected dates will be adjusted once all State Licensing Boards and ABFSE approvals are complete.

Students in Teachout Version

Affected students in the Teachout version are provided support through various campus resources to help them remain on track to finish their program by the program sunset date. Assigned academic advisors will monitor impacted students' progress. Students who are slated to complete the program near the sunset date will be assigned a quarterly plan to monitor students' progress in completing all requirements by the program's end date.

Projected Sunset Date:

Program Version Sunset Date
Mid-America College of Funeral Service
Fall 2028

Students who are unsuccessful in completing their programs due to multiple failures and/or withdraws will have conversations with their assigned academic advisors regarding the next steps. Student's schedules will be reviewed for equivalencies between the programs and projected graduation dates.

Frequently Asked Questions:

If I were to take a leave of absence in my current program, would this status change result in my program being moved to the updated curriculum version?

Students that need to take a leave of absence (LOA) while in the existing curriculum should speak with their assigned academic advisor. The advisor will review the student's completion in the program and will determine if the student can complete their program within the perimeter of the Teachout timeframe. Students who can complete the program within the Teachout timeframe will be allowed to resume their program once they return from their LOA.

Advisors that determine that a student is unable to complete their program by the Teachout deadline will discuss different options to help support the student with the completion of their program.

Would withdrawal from the existing program version result in my program being moved to the updated curriculum when I opted to return?

Students who opt to withdraw from the existing program version have the risk of being unable to complete their program if/when they opt to return to the college. Students that withdraw and then seek to re-enroll in the Funeral Service Bachelor of Science program are reviewed by the academic team to determine whether the student can return and complete their required coursework for the existing program version of the Funeral Service Bachelor of Science program.

Students that are permitted to return to the Teachout version of the program are informed by their admissions advisor that they must complete the program by the Teachout deadline. The student must agree to complete their program by the deadline, or they would be required to program change to the updated version of the program. Students that are determined by Academics that they are unable to return and complete the program in which they withdrew are reviewed for potential transfer credit between the teach out and updated program versions. Credit completed in the teach out program are reviewed and must receive Dean approval prior to the credit being applied toward courses in the updated program version.