

Case Studies in Forensic Anthropology

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Through a set of unique cases written by an international group of practicing forensic anthropologists, **Case Studies in Forensic Anthropology: Bonified Skeletons** prepares students and professionals for the diverse range of cases they will encounter in the field.

Every forensic anthropology case is unique. Practitioners routinely face new challenges and unexpected outcomes. Courses and introductory texts generally address standard or ideal cases. In practice, however, forensic anthropologists must improvise frequently during forensic archaeological recoveries based on environment and case circumstances. Most forensic anthropologists have encountered unconventional cases with surprising or non-confirming results from laboratory analyses. While these cases act as continuing education for practitioners—better preparing them for future encounters—such learning opportunities may be limited by extent of personal experiences.

Case Studies in Forensic Anthropology prepares both aspiring forensic anthropologists and informs current practitioners. The cases are interesting and unique, detailing how specific challenges contribute to the body of forensic anthropological knowledge and practice.

Key Features

- Full-color photographs illustrate the scenes and skeletal features
- Includes a helpful “lessons learned” section for each case study
- Incorporates new and innovative methodologies and their applications to unique cases
- Provides useful step-by-step examination of the examiner’s thought process and the conclusions drawn

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