Established by the Government of Gujarat, under the flagship of Home Department - Government of Gujarat. The Gujarat Forensic Sciences University is a highly specialized higher education institution that came into existence through an Act: No. 17, passed by the Gujarat State Legislative Assembly, dated the 30th of September 2008.

It is the only university across the world, dedicated to Forensic & Investigative Science. The University started functioning from July 2009 onwards and in May 2011, received recognition by the 'University Grants Commission'; as a State University, under Section 22 of the UGC Act 1956. It is located at Gandhinagar - the capital city of the State of Gujarat, which is a vibrant; industrious; safe and business friendly State of India.

The University is segregated into three academic departments, namely: Institute of Forensic Science, Institute of Behavioural Science and Institute of Research & Development. It currently offers only postgraduate level academic programs.

The University runs in parallel association with the Directorate of Forensic Science (DFS) - Gujarat State, to provide hands-on training. DFS - Gujarat State is a state-of-the-art; NABL accredited; ISO-IEC 17025:2005 certified laboratory, maintaining international standards in terms of infrastructure and facilities for Forensic Analysis.

The GFSU's Ultramodern Campus construction is already underway; near the DFS premises, on a government allocated land of 50,000 Square Meters. The foundation of the University's campus was laid by the Hon'ble CM of Gujarat State, on the 10th of October 2011.

The University is headed by the Director General; followed by the Registrar and a Director; as Head of each of the Institutes.

The highest body of the University is the Board of Governors; having the Director General of the University, as its Chairman.