Job Opportunities

Job Class Title: Forensic Scientist I
Working Title: Forensic Scientist I, Digital Evidence
Position Number: 60095574
Department: Dept of Justice
Division/Section: Crime Lab/Digital Evidence
Salary Range: $42,667.00 - $69,177.00 Annually
Salary Grade / Salary Grade Equivalent: 72
Competency Level: Not Applicable
Appointment Type: Permanent Full-Time
Pos. Location: Wake County, North Carolina
Opening Date: Thu. 06/25/15
Closing Date/Time: Wed. 07/01/15 5:00 PM Eastern Time

North Carolina State Crime Laboratory, [ncdoj.com/crime-lab.aspx](http://ncdoj.com/crime-lab.aspx), with locations in Raleigh, Greensboro, and Asheville, is currently seeking extremely motivated individuals for a career in the interesting field of forensic science, Digital Evidence for the Raleigh laboratory.

The North Carolina State Crime Laboratory is dually accredited under ISO 17025, which provides a global basis for laboratory accreditation in management and technical requirements.

This is entry level professional forensic analysis work that requires the analysis of forensic evidence in a crime laboratory setting. Employees examine and analyze evidence from simple to moderately complex casework, make judgments and testify in court as necessary to explain and defend their findings.

Employees operate with some technical independence in the forensic examination of various types of evidence. Employees may assist journey or senior Forensic Scientists in the more varied and moderately complex casework while continuing to learn the techniques, methods and practices involved in the examination of more complex cases.

Employees conduct consultations and participate in pretrial conferences with prosecutors and defense attorneys, train and advise agents and law enforcement officers, and handle all evidence under stringent chain of custody rules. Employees may be required to perform other duties and responsibilities as assigned.

The primary purpose of this position is to perform analyses of evidence related to the analysis of computers or computer related equipment, surveillance video, or recorded audio for the evidence of the commission of a crime.

This position includes the analysis of distribution of child pornography, recovery of evidence of the sexual exploitation of children on computers, search of computers for evidence such as emails or chats in crimes of violence or threats of violence, forensic analysis of security video recovered from a crime scene or surveillance video recorded by law enforcement personnel, forensic analysis of audio evidence in order to clarify audio which may be recovered at crime scenes or recorded in covert investigations by law enforcement personnel.

Overtime and on-call are required in this position.

The Forensic Scientist participates in competency and proficiency testing.

Selected candidate will undergo and must successfully complete a comprehensive background investigation which may take several months to complete. The background investigation includes: credit and arrest checks; interviews with associates, personal and business references, past employers and neighbors; verification of education achievement, a pre-employment psychological exam, and urinalysis drug screening.

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For out of State applicant, this may require the applicant to return to the State of North Carolina multiple times at his or her own expense after the initial interview, in order to undergo the background investigation process.

The Forensic Scientist shall be required to obtain individual certification consistent with international and ISO standards within 18 months of the date the analyst becomes eligible to seek certification according to the standards of the certifying entity.

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities / Competencies:

Employees must have a working knowledge of the principles, concepts, theories, reference sources and laboratory practices involved with the forensic examination of evidence.

Employees must have a working knowledge of criminal law and of the rules and regulations regarding evidence gathering and handling.

Employees must have a working knowledge of scientific methodology and of laboratory safety practices.

Ability to perform and record complex standardized and non-standardized laboratory tests and procedures.

Ability to analyze results, interpret methodology and to understand and solve theoretical problems.

Ability to express technical information clearly both orally and in writing when reporting results, testifying or explaining procedures to others.

Ability to understand and follow complex oral and written instructions.

Ability to perceive colors normally and make olfactory distinctions.

Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships.

Minimum Education and Experience Requirements:

Minimum Education and Experience – Digital Evidence

Bachelor's degree with a major in computer science, digital forensics, networking, information technology, criminal justice or closely related curriculum from an appropriately accredited institution including coursework in science and two years of experience performing bench level analysis in digital evidence; or an equivalent combination of education and experience.

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Supplemental and Contact Information:

Computer literacy is an important component of all DOJ jobs, we encourage you to apply electronically. All applicants must complete and submit a State application for employment using the NEOGOV Online Job Application System (http://www.osp.state.nc.us/jobs/) for the State of North Carolina.

To receive credit for your work history and credentials, you must list the information on the online application form. Any information not included on the application form cannot be considered for qualifying credit. Embedded or attached resumes are not accepted as a substitution for a completed application.

Any licenses or certificates must be included in the appropriate section of the application form.

Applicants seeking Veteran’s Preference must attach a copy of their DD-214 or discharge orders.

The NC Department of Justice is an Equal Opportunity Employer. The NC Department of Justice uses Merit-Based Recruitment to select from among the most qualified applicants to fill positions subject to the State Personnel Act. Once the position has been filled, all on-line applicants will be notified via the e-mail provided at the time of application.

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