



STATE OF NEW MEXICO
invites applications for the position of:

Forensic Scientist 2, Firearms/Tool Mark Analyst (DPS #10101711)

SALARY: \$21.53 - \$37.46 Hourly
\$44,782.40 - \$77,916.80 Annually

JOB TYPE: Permanent Position
OPENING DATE: 02/10/17
CLOSING DATE: 03/12/17 11:59 PM
DEPARTMENT: Department of Public Safety
LOCATION: Santa Fe (City)

JOB DESCRIPTION:

NEOGOV is currently working on a system update for applicants who use screen readers. If you are applying with a screen reader and need assistance, please contact Andrea Rivera-Smith @ (505) 695-5606.

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

Attached resumes will not be reviewed or considered. You are required to include your work experience in the Work Experience section of your application. If you have previously included work history on a resume you must transfer your work history into the Work Experience section prior to submitting your application. For more information please visit our website: [Employment with the State of New Mexico](#)

Purpose of Position:

Forensic Scientists serve as specialists in an area of expertise/scientific discipline and are responsible for identifying and analyzing physical evidence related to their specialization that is collected from criminal investigations. Forensic Scientists in the Department of Public Safety support the New Mexico law enforcement community in the investigation of crimes by receiving and maintaining physical evidence custody; preparing reports that document their findings; provide expert opinions in their scientific specialization to investigators; and provide expert witness testimony regarding their findings in a court of law.

This job posting is to fill a **Forensic Scientist 2, Firearms/Tool Mark Analyst**. As a Forensic Scientist 2, the incumbent will perform analysis and examination of suspected weapons and/or firearms by performing tests on weapons or substances such as powders and residue; the incumbent will be responsible for independently collecting, classifying, identifying, examining, and analyzing firearms and tool mark evidence related to criminal investigations. In addition, the position will be responsible for:

- Producing formal reports that accurately identify and analyze physical evidence to determine their significance to the investigation;
- Presenting the results, conclusions and expert opinion in the scientific analysis of the firearms/tool mark evidence;

- Providing expert witness testimony regarding their findings in courts of law throughout the State of New Mexico;
- Performing QA/QC to assure quality analysis, evidence integrity, and maintain accreditation standards

This position is a Pay Band 80.

THIS POSTING WILL BE USED TO CONDUCT ONGOING RECRUITMENT AND WILL REMAIN OPEN UNTIL ALL POSITIONS HAVE BEEN FILLED.

CLASSIFICATION DESCRIPTION:

Forensic Scientist II

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- High School Diploma or GED and eight (8) years of experience working in a forensics laboratory performing scientific analysis of forensic evidence including one (1) year of independent case work analysis.
- Associate's Degree in any field and six (6) years of experience working in a forensics laboratory performing scientific analysis of forensic evidence including one (1) year of independent case work analysis;
- Bachelor's Degree in any field and four (4) years of experience working in a forensics laboratory performing scientific analysis of forensic evidence including one (1) year of independent case work analysis;
- Master's Degree in any field and two (2) years of experience working in a forensics laboratory performing scientific analysis of forensic evidence including one (1) year of independent case work analysis;
- PHD in any field and one (1) year of independent case work analysis;

Employment Requirements:

Must possess and maintain a valid New Mexico Driver's License. Statewide travel will be required. Employment is subject to a pre-employment background investigation and is conditional pending results. This position is designated as safety sensitive. Employment will be subject to pre-employment drug testing and random employment drug testing.

Statutory Requirements:

N/A

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:

Benefits:

Do you know what Total Compensation is?

<http://www.spo.state.nm.us/total-compensation.aspx>

Working Conditions:

Work is performed in a Forensic Laboratory setting; exposure to chemicals and biological fluids; statewide travel in car and/or small aircraft will be required when needed. Work under stressful situations with strict deadlines. Ability to lift and carry up to 30 lbs.; frequent walking, standing, sitting and bending; and exposure to noise from equipment and instruments utilized in the Laboratory is required.

Conditions of Employment:

Working Conditions for individual positions in this classification will vary based on each agency's utilization, essential functions, and the recruitment needs at the time a vacancy is posted. All requirements are subject to possible modification to reasonably accommodate individuals with disabilities.

Default FLSA Status:

Non-Exempt at the basic and operational level. Exempt at the advanced level. FLSA status may

be determined to be different at the agency level based on the agency's utilization of the position.

Bargaining Unit:

This position is not covered by a collective bargaining agreement.

Agency Contact Information:

Katharina Babcock, Forensic Scientist Supervisor
katharina.babcock@state.nm.us

Link to Agency:

<http://www.dps.nm.org/>

Applicant Help/How to Apply:

http://www.spo.state.nm.us/State_Employment.aspx

[Facebook](#)

[LinkedIn](#)

APPLICATIONS MAY BE FILED ONLINE AT:
<http://www.spo.state.nm.us>

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Job #2017-00469
FORENSIC SCIENTIST 2, FIREARMS/TOOL MARK ANALYST
(DPS #10101711)
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Forensic Scientist 2, Firearms/Tool Mark Analyst (DPS #10101711) Supplemental Questionnaire

* 1. Please select the option that applies to you, as required by the minimum qualifications for this position. PLEASE NOTE: You must attach a copy of your official/unofficial transcript(s) (not Degree certificate) that clearly state type of degree and date awarded/conferred, institution name, applicant name, and is in a format that cannot be modified or edited. Your application WILL NOT be considered for this position if you have failed to provide this information.

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None apply to me

* 2.

F40921-790FT How many years of experience do you have IN TOTAL performing scientific analysis of forensic firearm/tool mark evidence in an accredited forensic laboratory?
PLEASE NOTE: If you worked a part-time position (less than 40 hours a week) please be aware that your experience for this time period will be pro-rated. Additionally, if you have work experience that overlaps, you will only be credited for a maximum of 40 hours per week for that time period. Please note, that only related work experience (as defined in the minimum qualifications and purpose of position) will be considered.

- None
- 1-4 years of experience
- 5-8 years of experience
- 9 or more years of experience

- * 3. F40921-790FT Please provide a description in the text box below of work performed related to scientific analysis of physical evidence, the area of specialization, the name of the Forensic Laboratory, and the public safety and/or law enforcement agencies the Laboratory supported, if applicable. If "none" to the experience question above, then please enter "N/A".

- * 4. F40921-790FT How many years of experience do you have performing independent firearm/tool mark case work analysis in an accredited forensic laboratory?
 - None
 - 1 year or less
 - 1-3 years of experience
 - 4 or more years of experience

- * 5. F40921-790FT How many years of experience do you have producing formal reports that accurately identify and analyze physical evidence to determine their significance to the investigation?
 - None
 - 1 or less
 - 1-3 years of experience
 - 4 or more years of experience

- * 6. Have you performed quality control checks on analytical instrumentation and reagents, and provided quality assurance controls applicable to the position's area of specialization, as regulated by forensic accreditation standards?
 - Yes
 - No

- * 7. Do you have experience providing instruction to other scientists, public safety and/or law enforcement personnel, and/or students on the principles and practices related to the forensic scientific analysis of physical evidence collected during criminal investigations?
 - Yes
 - No

- * 8. Do you have experience providing testimony in a court of law in the capacity of an expert witness, regarding the results, conclusions, and expert opinion in the forensic scientific analysis of the physical evidence in question?
 - Yes
 - No

- * 9. I understand that I must attach transcripts if I have certified that I have an education higher than a High School Diploma or GED, which include the date and type of degree awarded, institution name, applicant name and is in a format that cannot be modified (edited). PLEASE NOTE: Attachments are NOT automatically attached to your application.

You will need to select which documents to attach to each application. (The last 15 attachments uploaded are available for selection). I understand that my response to the experience question will be confirmed. I have included my related work experience in the Work Experience Section of my application. I understand that I must complete the Certificates and Licenses section of my application or attach proof of this license/certificate to my application if this position has a statutory requirement. I understand that my application will not be further considered if I fail to provide this required information and documentation at the time my application is submitted.

I understand

* Required Question