

Position: Firearms Examiner—Forensic Scientist I/II

The **North Louisiana Criminalistics Laboratory in Shreveport, Louisiana**, has an opening for a forensic scientist in the **Firearms Section**. Qualifications include a Bachelor's degree in chemistry, biology, forensic science or related fields from an accredited institution. The North Louisiana Criminalistics Laboratory is a full-service ASCLD/LAB accredited forensic laboratory serving 29 parishes in North Louisiana.

The Firearms Examiner is responsible for performing microscopic examinations of firearms evidence, operating the National Integrated Ballistic Identification Network (NIBIN), toolmark comparisons, serial number restoration, distance determinations, generating reports, court testimony, and assisting with quality assurance duties of the section. Future responsibilities may include cross-training in examination of fingerprints and impression evidence.

The applicant must have at least two years of professional experience in Firearms and Toolmarks examination. The position is open only to U.S. citizens or permanent residents. The forensic scientist in this position is assigned individual cases to completely work from evidence examination to report writing.

The NLCL is located in Shreveport Louisiana which is in the northwest corner of the state, about 200 miles due east of Dallas, Texas. In approximately 2-3 years the laboratory will move into a new 80,000+ sq. ft. forensic science center facility and will be a teaching facility for Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center—Shreveport, in offering graduate studies in Forensic Science and residencies in Forensic Pathology.

The starting salary is negotiable based on experience and education and begins at \$45,000 (plus full benefits i.e. medical, dental) for a person with two years of experience in Firearms and Toolmarks examination and a Bachelor's Degree as described above.

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