**Job ID**

104614

**Location**

Santa Fe

**Posting End Date**

**Agency**

Department of Public Safety

**Full/Part Time**

Full-Time

**Regular/Temporary**

Regular - PERM for State

**Job Posting Type**

Continuous Job Opening

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**Salary**

$24.95 - $43.41 Hourly

$51,905 - $90,301 Annually

This position is a Pay Band 85

**Purpose of Position**

THIS POSTING WILL BE USED TO CONDUCT ONGOING RECRUITMENT AND WILL REMAIN OPEN UNTIL POSITION HAS BEEN FILLED.

**Why does the job exist?**

The Firearm/Tool Mark Section Forensic Scientist Supervisor devotes a substantial portion of time assigning and directly supervising the work of Forensic Firearm/Tool Mark Examiners related to the investigation of crimes. This position supports the New Mexico law enforcement community in the investigation of crimes by receiving and maintaining physical evidence custody, preparing reports that document their findings; providing expert opinions in their scientific specialization to investigators; and providing expert witness testimony regarding their findings in a court of law.

**How does it get done?**

This position is a working supervisor and is responsible for conducting examinations, performing tests on bullets, cartridge cases, shot shells, firearms, tools, clothing and substances submitted for analysis and identification to identify fired evidence. Common evidence generally consists of bullets, cartridge cases, shot shells, firearms, tools and clothing. Scientists utilize a battery of tests to determine whether fired evidence can be identified to a particular firearm. Identifications are achieved utilizing a comparison microscope and forensic databases are utilized during analysis. Forensic Scientist Supervisors provide expert testimony regarding their findings in courts throughout New Mexico.

**Who are the customers?**

Law enforcement and criminal justice agencies in New Mexico

**Ideal Candidate**

The ideal candidate will have six years of experience working in a forensic laboratory performing independent scientific analysis of forensic evidence, and one (1) year forensic expert witness testimony experience. Three (3) years experience in supervision of employees.

**Minimum Qualification**

Bachelor's degree in Biology, Chemistry, Biochemistry, Genetics, Forensic Science or Molecular Biology for DNA and Chemistry Forensic Scientists (Substitutions Apply. See Table B). For Latent Print and Firearm Forensic Scientists, a degree in any discipline will be accepted, or an Associate's degree plus two (2) years of additional laboratory experience or four (4) years of additional laboratory experience can substitute for a Bachelor's degree. Four (4) years of experience working in a forensics laboratory performing scientific analysis of forensic evidence, including one (1) year independent case work analysis. (Substitutions Apply. See Table A).

**Employment Requirements**

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

**Working Conditions**

Lifting light to heavy objects/equipment, walking, standing, sitting, bending, noise from equipment and instruments, exposure to chemicals and biological fluid stains. In-state travel required.

**Supplemental Information**

Benefits:

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For information on Statutory Requirements for this position, click the Classification Description link on the job advertisement.

**Bargaining Unit Position**

This position is not covered by a collective bargaining agreement.