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## Job Details

**Job Title** Forensic Scientist 2, Forensic Scientist 1 or Trainee - Forensic Scientist 1  
**Location** Bemidji

**Job ID** 41743**Full/Part Time** Full-Time**Regular/Temporary** Unlimited**Favorite Job** 

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**MINNESOTA**  
 DEPARTMENT OF  
 PUBLIC SAFETY

## Job Details

**Job Class: Forensic Scientist 2, Forensic Scientist 1 or Trainee - Forensic Scientist 1****Who May Apply:** Open to all qualified job seekers**Date Posted:** 09/17/2020**Closing Date:** 10/07/2020**Hiring Agency/Seniority Unit:** Public Safety Dept / Public Safety-MAPE**Division/Unit:** BCA Lab / BCA Lab Quality Management**Work Shift/Work Hours:** Day Shift 8am - 4:30pm**Days of Work:** Monday - Friday**Travel Required:** Yes - Up to 25% of the time**Classified Status:** Classified (Trainee - Unclassified)**Bargaining Unit/Union:** 214 - MN Assoc of Professional Empl/MAPE**FLSA Status:** Exempt - Professional**Employment Condition:** Permanent, Full-time (Trainee: Trainee)**Connect 700 Program Eligible:** Yes (Trainee - No)

## Job Summary

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NOTE: This announcement will be used to fill one vacancy at either the Forensic Scientist 2, Forensic Scientist 1 or Forensic Scientist 1 - Trainee level. This position is located in the Latent Print section of the BCA Lab in Bemidji, MN

This posting will result in hiring into one of the following job classifications. The classification level of the position will be based on the selected applicant's qualifications and responses to the interview questions.

- Trainee - Forensic Scientist 1, salary \$21.60
- Forensic Scientist 1, salary range \$25.71-\$37.82/hourly: \$53,682 - \$78,968/annually
- Forensic Scientist 2, salary range \$29.50 - \$43.77/hourly: \$61,596 - \$91,392/annually

This full-time permanent position will provide to the Criminal Justice System the results and interpretation of analyses of submitted evidence. This position participates in the design and validation of new technology and methods for use in casework. Assists in the development of training programs and trains new scientists in section methods and procedures. Testifies as an expert witness as required.

## Qualifications

**Minimum Qualifications****Forensic Scientist 2**

1. A Bachelor's degree in a physical science such as Chemistry, Biology, Physics, Criminalistics, or Forensic Science from an accredited university.
2. Two years experience as a Forensic Latent Print Examiner in a forensic laboratory.
3. Testified in a court of law as an expert witness in forensic analysis.
4. Excellent computer, customer service and communication skills.
5. Ability to work cooperatively with individuals from diverse backgrounds.

**Forensic Scientist 1**

1. A Bachelor's degree in a physical science such as Chemistry, Biology, Physics, Criminalistics, or Forensic Science from an accredited university.
2. Experience equivalent to one year of full-time professional level experience performing scientific laboratory analyses. NOTE: A Masters degree or PhD in any of the above mentioned degrees may be substituted for 6 months of professional level experience.
3. Excellent computer, customer service and communication skills.
4. Ability to work cooperatively with individuals from diverse backgrounds.

**Forensic Scientist 1-Trainee**

1. A Bachelor's degree in a physical science such as Chemistry, Biology, Physics, Criminalistics, or Forensic Science from an accredited university.
2. Excellent computer, customer service and communication skills.
3. Ability to work cooperatively with individuals from diverse backgrounds.

**For all classifications:**

NOTE: APPLICANTS MUST SUBMIT AN UNOFFICIAL COLLEGE TRANSCRIPT(S) BY FEDERAL MAIL OR E-MAIL NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 9, 2020 TO THE CONTACT INFORMATION LISTED BELOW. UNOFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS SUBMITTED WITH PREVIOUS APPLICANTS ARE NOT KEPT ON FILE AND YOU MUST SUBMIT A NEW COPY OF YOUR UNOFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT FOR EACH VACANCY YOU APPLY TO:  
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[sonja.fink@state.mn.us](mailto:sonja.fink@state.mn.us)

## Preferred Qualifications

### Forensic Scientist 2

1. Masters or PhD degree in a physical science such as Chemistry, Biology, Physics, Criminalistics or Forensic Science from an accredited university.
2. Two years of experience as a Forensic Latent Print Examiner in a ISO/IEC 17025 accredited laboratory
3. Is a certified Latent Print Examiner through the International Association for Identification (IAI)

## Preferred Qualifications

### Forensic Scientist 1

1. Masters or PhD degree in a physical science such as Chemistry, Biology, Physics, Criminalistics or Forensic Science from an accredited university.
2. Demonstrated knowledge and use of laboratory quality assurance procedures and evidence handling procedures.
3. Experience in a forensic laboratory gained through an internship or work experience; or work experience doing examinations similar to those conducted in a forensic laboratory.

### Forensic Scientist 1-Trainee

1. Masters or PhD degree in a physical science such as Chemistry, Biology, Physics, Criminalistics or Forensic Science from an accredited university.
2. Experience in a forensic laboratory gained through an internship or work experience; or work experience doing examinations similar to those conducted in a forensic laboratory.

## Physical Requirements

Requires occasionally moving and transporting 50 pound items and frequently moving and transporting objects such as heavy tools and heavy file boxes. This job may require positioning self to move to a significant degree across rough terrain or may involve maintaining a stationary position for extended periods.

## Additional Requirements

This position requires successful completion of the following:

It is the policy of the Department of Public Safety that all employees submit to a background investigation prior to employment, which includes the following components:

- 1) A criminal history check
- 2) Reference check
- 3) Driver License history
- 4) Fingerprints
- 5) Psychological evaluation
- 6) Drug Screen
- 7) Education verification

## Application Details

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## How to Apply

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For additional information about the application process, go to <http://www.mn.gov/careers>.

## Contact

If you have questions about the position, contact Sonja Fink at [sonja.fink@state.mn.us](mailto:sonja.fink@state.mn.us) or 651-201-7383.

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