



NEW MEXICO STATE PERSONNEL OFFICE  
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

**OPENING DATE:** 12/19/14

**CLOSING DATE:** 02/19/15 11:59 PM

**DEPARTMENT:** Department of Public Safety

**LOCATION:** Hobbs

**JOB DESCRIPTION:**

**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;

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**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.

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**Statutory Requirements:**

N/A

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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:****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.

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**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.

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**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.

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**Bargaining Unit:**

This position is not covered by a collective bargaining agreement.

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**Agency Contact Information:**

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**Link to Agency:**

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

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**Applicant Help/How to Apply:**

[http://www.spo.state.nm.us/State\\_Employment.aspx](http://www.spo.state.nm.us/State_Employment.aspx)

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APPLICATIONS MAY BE FILED ONLINE AT:

<http://www.spo.state.nm.us>

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