



STATE OF ALASKA
invites applications for the position of:

Forensic Scientist II/III Physical Flex (PCN 12-1668)

Job Code: 21601

Job Title: Forensic Scientist II/III Physical Flex (PCN 12-1668)

Open Date: 03/05/19

Closing Date: 03/26/19 05:00 PM

Position Open To: All Applicants

Job Type: Full Time

Range: 17/19

Salary: \$4,482.00 - \$5,165.00 Monthly

Department: Public Safety

Division: Office of the Commissioner

Location: Anchorage

Bargaining Unit: General Government

JOB DESCRIPTION:



The Department of Public Safety is recruiting for a Forensic Scientist II/III Flex to join our team committed to public safety through public service.

This position is part of the Alaska State Crime Lab and the Forensic Scientist II is the intermediate level in the professional series where incumbents apply scientific methods to study evidence submitted and used in a court of law.

Forensic Scientist III is the full proficiency level in the professional series. Incumbents perform the full range and scope of forensic analysis to study evidence submitted and used in a court of law.

Key Responsibilities of this position include:

- Perform difficult professional laboratory analysis of physical evidence in one or more forensic disciplines.
- Prepare and conduct quality control testing on reagents and supplies.
- Provide expert opinion on major case reviews in specific forensic discipline.
- Provide technical consultation services in a forensic discipline to law enforcement officers, attorneys, and other agency representatives.
- Engage in peer review exercises.

We are looking to hire someone with the following knowledge, skills, abilities, and experience:

- Considerable knowledge of forensic analysis and standard laboratory testing and principles, practices and techniques.
- Considerable knowledge in a forensic discipline.

- Considerable knowledge of one or more of the following: chemistry, mathematics, statistical methods, physics, biology, or scientific measurements.
- Considerable knowledge of proper physical evidence collection and documentation techniques and methods.
- Considerable knowledge of the rules of evidence collection for use in criminal prosecution.



The Department of Public Safety strives to preserve the peace, enforce the law, prevent and detect crime, and protect life and property. All positions support or carry out the Department's mission. If our mission interests you and this position embodies your strengths, please consider joining our team.

More information about the Department of Public Safety can be found on our website:
<http://dps.alaska.gov/>

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

FORENSIC SCIENTIST II MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Bachelors degree from an accredited college which included 18 semester hour or 27 quarter hours of science courses in the areas of chemistry, biology, physics, computer analysis, forensic sciences, or criminalistics.

And

The successful completion of the State of Alaska flexible staffing plan for this discipline

And

One year of experience as a Forensic Scientist I with the State of Alaska or the equivalent with another employer.

The experience and flex plan training may be earned concurrently.

Or substitution:

One additional year of Forensic Scientist I experience or the equivalent in the Physical discipline will substitute for the flex plan training.

Special Note:

Recruitment and selection may be based on the areas of needed expertise in the agency.

Employees will be expected to successfully pass annual proficiency/competency tests.

Appointments to positions in the Alaska Scientific Crime Detection Laboratory are subject to background requirements per ASCLD/LAB and the Department of Public Safety. A criminal background investigation, including fingerprinting, is required.

Salary Range

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FORENSIC SCIENTIST III - PHYSICAL MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Bachelor's degree from an accredited college which included 18 semester hours or 27 quarter hours of science courses in the areas of chemistry, biology, physics, computer analysis, forensic sciences, or criminalistics.

And

The successful completion of the State of Alaska Forensic Scientist II flexible staffing training plan for the physical discipline

And.

Two years of experience as a Forensic Scientist II with the State of Alaska or the equivalent with another employer.

The experience and flex plan training may be earned concurrently.

Substitution:

One additional year of Forensic Scientist II experience in the physical discipline will substitute for the flex plan training.

Special Note:

Recruitment and selection may be based on the areas of needed expertise in the agency.

Employees will be expected to successfully pass annual proficiency/competency tests.

Appointments to positions in the Alaska Scientific Crime Detection Laboratory are subject to background requirements per ASCLD/LAB and the Department of Public Safety. A criminal background investigation, including fingerprinting, is required.

Salary Range

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ADDITIONAL REQUIRED INFORMATION:

This position is exempt from the current hiring restrictions and is open to all applicants.

Salaries:

If filled at the Forensic Scientist II - Physical level, beginning salary is \$4,482.00/month.

If filled at the Forensic Scientist III - Physical level, beginning salary is \$5,165.00/month.

FLEXIBLY STAFFED – Combined posting (II/III) This position is flexibly staffed. This vacancy may be filled at either the Forensic Scientist II - Physical or Forensic Scientist III - Physical level, depending on the applicant's training and/or experience. The full range of salaries is listed above. Starting salary will be determined by the level the position is hired at. If filled at Level II, promotion to the Level III will occur upon successful completion of the probationary period and required training, as well as the applicant meeting the minimum qualifications of the higher job class.

NOTICE

Please include college transcripts as an attachment to your online application to support you meet the minimum qualifications for this position.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If selected for an interview please bring three professional references.

NOTICE:

1. Appointments to positions in the Alaska Scientific Crime Detection Laboratory are subject to background requirements per ASCLD/LAB and the Department of Public Safety.
2. A valid Alaska Driver's license is required.
3. Court testimony travel is required.

BACKGROUND CHECK

The successful candidates must pass a comprehensive background investigation, which includes a criminal history check.

FIREARMS

This position requires the use or possession of a firearm or ammunition. In accordance with the federal Omnibus Consolidated Appropriations Act of 1997 (PL 104-208), if you have been convicted of a misdemeanor crime of domestic violence, you may not hold this position.

A "misdemeanor crime of domestic violence" is an offense that is (1) a misdemeanor under Federal or state law; and (2) has, as an element, the use or attempted use of physical force, or the threatened use of a deadly weapon, committed by a current or former spouse, parent, or guardian of the victim, by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common, by a person who is cohabiting with or has cohabited with the victim as a spouse, parent, or guardian, or by a person similarly situated to a spouse, parent, or guardian of the victim.

If you have ever been convicted of a misdemeanor crime of domestic violence, do NOT apply for this position.

MULTIPLE VACANCIES

This recruitment may be used for more than one (1) vacancy. The applicant pool acquired during this recruitment may be used for future vacancies for up to ninety (90) days after this recruitment closes. Interested applicants are encouraged to apply to each recruitment notice to ensure consideration for all vacancies.

EDUCATION

If post-secondary education is required to meet the minimum qualifications, you must fill in the Education section of the application. If you have not obtained a degree, please indicate the number of units completed. Copies of transcripts are required to verify educational credentials if used to meet the minimum qualifications for a position. Transcripts can be attached at the time of application or provided at the time of interview.

WORK EXPERIENCE

If using work experience not already documented in your application, also provide the employer name, your job title, dates of employment, and whether full-or part-time. Applications will be reviewed to determine if the responses are supported and minimum qualifications are clearly met. If they are not, the applicant may not advance to the interview and selection phase of the recruitment.

EEO STATEMENT

The State of Alaska complies with Title I of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Individuals with disabilities, who require accommodation, auxiliary aides or services, or alternative communication formats, please call 1-800-587-0430 or 465-4095 in Juneau or (907) 465-3412 (TTY) or correspond with the Division of Personnel & Labor Relations at the address above. The State of Alaska is an equal opportunity employer.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Contact Information:

WORKPLACE ALASKA APPLICATION QUESTIONS & ASSISTANCE

Questions regarding application submission or system operation errors should be directed to the Workplace Alaska hotline at 1-800-587-0430 (toll free) or (907) 465-4095 if you are located in the Juneau area. Requests for information may also be emailed to recruitment.services@alaska.gov.

For applicant password assistance please visit: https://www.governmentjobs.com/js_lostpwd.cfm?&topheader=alaska

For specific information in reference to the position please contact the hiring manager at:

Kyle T. Klopfer, Administrative Assistant III

Email: Kyle.Klopfer@alaska.gov

Phone Number: 907-269-5535

Fax Number: 907-868-7946

APPLICATIONS MAY BE FILED ONLINE AT:
<http://workplace.alaska.gov/>

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(907) 465-4095 (Juneau and out-of-state callers)

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Forensic Scientist II/III Physical Flex (PCN 12-1668) Supplemental Questionnaire

- * 1. Have you successfully completed a training program and competency test in any of the following disciplines; firearm analysis, footwear impressions, latent prints, crime scenes? If so which one(s).

- * 2. Have you successfully completed an external proficiency test in any of the following disciplines within the last 3 years; firearm analysis, footwear impressions, latent prints, crime scenes? If so which one(s), If not please explain.
- * 3. Are you currently certified in any of the following disciplines; firearm analysis, footwear impressions, latent prints, crime scenes? If so which one(s).
- * 4. In your own words paraphrase the findings and practical implementation of the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology (PCAST) – "Forensic Science in Criminal Courts: Ensuring Scientific Validity of Feature-Comparison Methods" report as they relate to one of the following disciplines; firearm analysis, footwear impressions, latent prints.
- * 5. Did you attach your transcripts?
☐ Yes ☐ No
- * 6. If transcripts are from a foreign University have you authenticated the accreditation of that university?
☐ Yes ☐ No
- * 7. If selected for the position, we will ask for your last two performance evaluations as part of our reference checks. Will this be a problem for you? If yes, please explain?
- * 8. Have you carefully read the minimum qualifications for this position, and are you certifying you possess the required education and/or experience to meet the minimum qualifications as stated? If yes, briefly highlight your education and/or experience to demonstrate how you meet the minimum qualifications.
- * 9. Indicate at what level(s) you meet Minimum Qualifications. Important note: Per 2 AAC 07.061, you will only be considered for the levels in which you indicate. If you meet the minimum qualifications and wish to be considered for all levels, you should select all levels listed below.
 - ☐ Level II
 - ☐ Level III
 - ☐ Level II & III
- * Required Question