Wisconsin Department of Justice
FORENSIC DNA ANALYST - SENIOR LEVEL

Job Announcement Code(s): 07-00161

Location(s): Dane, Milwaukee
Classification Title(s)/JAC: DNA ANALYST-SEN - 0700161
Job Working Title(s): Forensic DNA Analyst - Senior Level
Type of Employment: Full Time (40 hrs/week)
Salary: Starting salary will be between $42,800 and $60,552 per year depending on qualifications, plus excellent benefits. A twelve-month probationary period will be required. Schedule/Range 15-03.
Special Qualifications: A four-year BA or BS degree in biology, chemistry or forensic-related area. Also must have satisfactorily completed coursework in Molecular Biology, Genetics and Biochemistry. Successful completion of a Statistics course or Statistics workshop is also required.
Contact: Pat Miller at 608/267-1332 or e-mail millerps@doj.state.wi.us.
Bargaining Unit: Science
Area of Competition: Open
Deadline to Apply: Application materials will be accepted until the needs of the agency are met. The first review of application materials is scheduled for the week of March 5, 2007. Interviews are tentatively scheduled for the week of March 12, 2007.

We currently have three DNA - Senior level vacancies and anticipate a number of new DNA Analyst - Senior positions within our Madison and Milwaukee Crime Laboratories. The results of this recruitment may also be used to fill future vacancies in our Madison and Milwaukee Crime Laboratories within the next six to twelve months. This recruitment is directed toward journey level forensic scientists. Positions at this level perform highly specialized and scientific forensic testing that involves the examination of physical evidence related to criminal offenses.

Job Duties: Independently perform complex examinations of evidence, including blood and bloodstains, body fluids, and stains of body fluids, hair and any other items needing DNA or related analyses. Perform forensic DNA and biochemical tests for the identification and characterization of blood and other bodily fluids, both as liquid and stains. The characterization of these evidence types includes DNA analysis using Short Tandem Repeats (STR). Perform visual comparisons of hairs. Compare evidence from victims, scenes, or instruments of crimes in order to associate or dissociate the questioned evidence with the crime. Perform DNA, chemical, immunological, microscopic, and instrumental analyses. Typical methods used include: Real Time PCR, Capillary Electrophoresis, and Robotic analysis. Prepare written reports of findings; perform quality assurance; and, present oral testimony in court.

Special Notes: Well qualified applicants will have at least three full-time years of current forensic DNA experience in a crime laboratory setting and a four-year BA or BS degree in biology, chemistry or forensic-related area.

Applicants must also be legally entitled to work in the United States (i.e., a citizen or national of the U.S., a lawful permanent resident, an alien authorized to work in the U.S.) and must be fluent in technical English.

Applicants will also be required to successfully complete a thorough background check prior to appointment.

Job Knowledge, Skills and Abilities: Journey level experience in forensic DNA analyses; knowledge of forensic analyses methods and techniques; knowledge of the operation of equipment such as capillary electrophoresis or sequencing; must have testified in a court of law as an expert witness in DNA analyses; written and oral communication skills.

How to Apply: To obtain special application materials go to our website at: http://www.doj.state.us/dms/jobs.asp or contact Pat Miller at 608/267-1332, e-mail millerps@doj.state.wi.us, or write to DOJ/BHRS, 17 W. Main St., 8th Floor, P.O. Box 7857, Madison, WI 53707-7857. Application materials will be accepted until the needs of the agency are met. The first review of application materials is scheduled for the week of March 5, 2007. Interviews are tentatively
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