COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
JOB CLASS SPECIFICATION

FORENSIC LATENT FINGERPRINT ANALYST II

Job Number: 20000731

Job Code: 40860V241116

Job Group: 4000 - HEALTH SCIENCE AND LABORATORY

Job Established: 02/16/2005

Job Revised: 11/16/2024

Grade: 14	Salary (MIN - MID):	**Special Entrance Rate:**
	$22.602-$33.903 - Hourly	**NONE**
	$3,672.84-$5,509.24 - 37.5 Hr. Monthly Salary	**NONE**
	$3,917.68-$5,876.52 - 40 Hr. Monthly Salary	**NONE**

PROBATIONARY PERIOD:

This job has an initial and promotional probationary period of 6 months, except as provided in KRS 18A.111.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE JOB: *Characteristics of a job are general statements indicating the level of responsibility and discretion of positions in that job classification. These are not intended to be an exhaustive list.*

Performs professional work in the collection and preservation of latent (unknown) fragmentary fingerprint ridge detail and the comparison of known finger and palm print exemplars submitted for examination pursuant to criminal investigations; and performs other duties as required.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:

EDUCATION:

Graduate of a college or university with a bachelor's degree in the physical, biological or forensic sciences, engineering or mathematics.

EXPERIENCE, TRAINING, OR SKILLS:

Must have one year of experience in the forensic science of fingerprint comparison, lab development of latent fingerprint evidence or field development of latent fingerprint evidence.

Substitute EDUCATION for EXPERIENCE:

NONE

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Additional experience in the forensic science of fingerprint comparison, lab development of latent fingerprint evidence or field development of latent fingerprint evidence will substitute for the required education on a year-for-year basis.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS (AGE, LICENSURE, REGULATION, ETC.):

Must possess a valid driver's license prior to employment in this job classification. Must maintain any required licensure(s),

certification(s), or other credentials for the length of employment in this job classification. Employing agency is responsible for ensuring employee possesses and maintains required licensure(s), certification(s) or other credentials.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES OR RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE JOB CLASSIFICATION: ***Examples of duties or responsibilities are not to be construed as describing what the duties or responsibilities of any position shall be and are not to be construed as limiting the appointing authority's ability to assign, or otherwise alter the duties and responsibilities of a position. This is not intended to be an exhaustive list.***

Performs a wide variety of tasks associated with the collection, and preservation of latent fingerprint ridge detail and the comparison of known finger and palm print exemplars submitted for examination pursuant to criminal investigations. Evaluates latent print evidence to determine if a latent print is of sufficient quality to establish identity. Establishes the identity of latent ridge detail. Knowledgeable in the recovery of latent print evidence from all items of physical evidence utilizing a variety of learned techniques: alternate light source (including inherent luminescence, fluorescent powders, and solution staining), fingerprint powders, cyanoacrylate fuming (superglue), ninhydrin, silver nitrate, iodine fuming, and physical developer. Photographically documents evidence and latent print detail using common techniques to preserve and document latent evidence. Demonstrates advanced knowledge in the science of fingerprint development and comparison for jury comprehension. Provides expert witness testimony in state (district/circuit) and federal courts and prepares courtroom displays to demonstrate latent print identifications when necessary. Prepares written reports documenting the examinations performed and any of the conclusions reached. Responds to simple crime scenes and assists Forensic Latent Analyst IIIs during examinations of complex crime scenes. Must be competent in the entry of unknown latent fingerprint into the Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) in order to establish identity. Assists Certified Police Instructors in teaching various law enforcement agencies the techniques of latent print development/recovery, crime scene investigation procedures, and the taking of inked finger and palm print exemplars.

UNIQUE PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:

The work requires standing for long periods of time and possibly assisting in lifting dead bodies.

TYPICAL WORKING CONDITIONS: ***Incumbents in the job will typically perform their job duties under these conditions.***

Incumbents in this classification will typically perform their job duties in a forensic laboratory setting. May have some contact with contagious diseases and/or body fluids or regular exposure to noxious odors, chemical substances, and biohazardous compounds, which may require the following of safety procedures. Regular handling of sharp surgical instruments. Some travel may be required to respond to crime scenes.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

Upon employment, employees in this job classification may be required to drive a licensed vehicle. Applicants and employees in this job classification may be required to submit to a drug-screening test and background check. Applicants and employees in positions which perform job duties that may require contact with offenders in the custody or supervision of the Department of Corrections or with youth in the care, custody, or supervision of the Department of Juvenile Justice must meet qualifications pursuant to the federal Prison Rape Elimination Act, 28 C.F.R.115.17 and 115.317.

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