



NIAGARA COUNTY JOB POSTING

DATE POSTED: 9/25/23 DEADLINE: 10/8/23

POSITION TITLE/ #: Forensic Scientist I Firearms/Toolmark/Ballistics

POSITION CLASS: Non-competitive

PAY RATE: 33.53 - 38.95/hr WEEKLY HOURS: 40

DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: Niagara County Sheriff's Office Forensic Laboratory

WORK LOCATION: 5526 Niagara Street Ext., Lockport, NY 14094

POSTINGS FOR CURRENT EMPLOYEES:

If this is a competitive class position, in order to apply for transfer, you must have permanent competitive status, have completed your probationary period, and be in the same or comparable title (as determined by Civil Service) as this position. Current eligible lists will also be used to fill positions. For questions about title comparability, please contact Civil Service at 716-438-4071 or civilservice@niagaracounty.com.

STATUS FOR CURRENT EMPLOYEES: Permanent

Submit letter of interest and resume to:

NAME: Niagara County Sheriff's Office Attn. Beth Dunn

ADDRESS: 5526 Niagara St Ext Lockport, NY 14094 or Beth.Dunn@niagaracounty.com

POSTINGS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

STATUS FOR PUBLIC CANDIDATES: Permanent

DESCRIPTION: For a complete job description and minimum requirements please visit:

https://niagaracounty.com/Employment/Job_Specs_for_Civil_Service_Positions.php

This is the entry-level class in the Forensic Scientist (Firearms/Toolmarks/Ballistics) series. The work involves responsibility for processing items of physical evidence for the purpose of firearms, ammunition, and tool mark identification and analysis using various physical and chemical methods. This position differs from Forensic Scientist II (Firearms/Toolmarks/Ballistics) by virtue of it being an entry-level position, the training requirements of the incumbents, performance of routine tasks and the decreased independence of work. All work performed by incumbents in this class is performed under close direct supervision from higher-level employees in this series. General supervision is received from the Director of Laboratories. Does related work as required.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: 1. Graduation with a Bachelor's Degree or higher in a natural science, a forensic science, an engineering science, or criminalistics; OR

- 2. Graduation with a Bachelor's Degree or higher, which must have included at least twelve (12) credit hours in one of the natural sciences, forensic sciences or engineering sciences AND one of the following:**
- a. One (1) year of full-time or its part-time equivalent experience in a forensic laboratory which must have included the examination of firearms; OR**
- b. Successful completion of an internship with a minimum of one hundred (100) hours in a forensic laboratory; OR**
- 3. An equivalent combination of training and experience that is defined by the limits of 1,2, and 3 above.**

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT: Applicants will be required to undergo a state and national criminal history background investigation which will include a fingerprint check to determine suitability for appointment. Failure to meet the standards for the background investigation may result in disqualification.

NOTE:

- 1. Degrees and college credits must have been awarded by a college or university accredited by a regional, national, or specialized agency recognized as an accrediting agency by the U.S. Department of Education/U.S. Secretary of Education;**
- 2. Incumbents must pass a competency test prior to assuming casework responsibility, and must pass a proficiency test annually, in accordance with accreditation requirements. Additional continuing education and training may be required as condition of employment.**
- 3. A Residency Waiver is in effect for this position. All qualified individuals are encouraged to apply.**

Apply electronically at: <https://niagara-portal.mycivilservice.com/> or submit paper applications to: Niagara County Human Resources, 111 Main Street – Suite G2, Lockport, NY 14094

Applications, Job Specifications, Job Postings & Exam Announcements can be found here:
<https://niagara-portal.mycivilservice.com/>

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