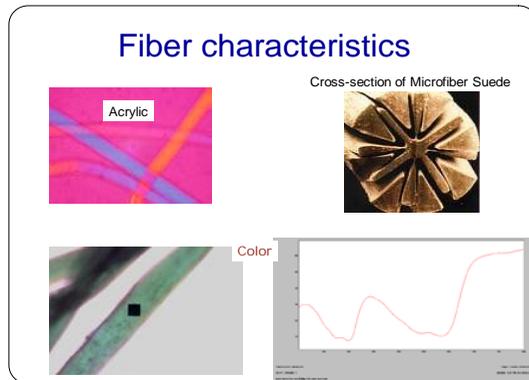


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FORENSIC SCIENCE CAREERS



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The Washington State Patrol is an equal opportunity employer.

The Forensic Laboratory Services Bureau (FLSB) at the Washington State Patrol is the largest forensic science organization in Washington, providing forensic services for city, county and state law enforcement agencies. The WSP Crime Laboratories have been ASCLD-LAB accredited since 1983.

We are pleased to announce opportunities for experienced scientists, in this exciting field at the forefront of the criminal justice system today. We also maintain a register for graduates interested in starting their careers with us.

We are looking for qualified scientists in the following areas:

- DNA/Biochemistry
- Chemistry
- Toxicology
- Firearms/Toolmarks
- Microanalysis
- Latent Prints
- Questioned Documents
- Crime Scene Response



Washington is a wonderful place to live and make your career, with magnificent coastal beaches, dense rain forests, spectacular alpine peaks and high desert canyons carved by prehistoric floods. Washington is also famous for its award winning wines, Northwest cuisine, and diverse communities



Seattle Pike Place Market



Spokane Crime Lab at
Eastern Washington University

from busy, cosmopolitan Seattle, to more quiet and rural communities in both eastern and western parts of the state. The FLSB has eight laboratories through-out the state and offers a full range of forensic services and training opportunities.

In addition to laboratory work, the FLSB also offers other services as part of our commitment to our Washington State user agencies:

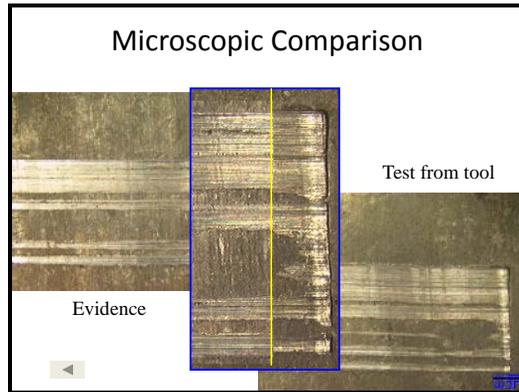
Crime Scene Response Team (CSRT)

Forensic scientists from the FLSB are part of a team available 24 hours a day to assist local law enforcement agencies in processing crime scenes. In 2015, the CSRT responded to 128 crime scenes across the state.

NIBIN (National Integrated Ballistic Identification Network)

NIBIN is an automated system for recording and correlating images of cartridge cases. The firearms section uses NIBIN to provide physical links between crime scenes, even those that were previously thought to be unconnected.

FLSB scientists frequently instruct in courses which train law enforcement officers in the proper search, collection and preservation, and use of physical evidence. Our scientists also teach in advanced courses across the country, including the California Criminalistics Institute and the FBI Academy. We provide training opportunities for our scientists on a routine basis from other recognized experts in fields such as advanced microscopy, bloodstain pattern analysis, DNA statistics, and digital imaging analysis.



The FLSB plays an important role in the investigation of many cases for the largest and smallest agencies throughout the state. We are equipped with state of the art equipment in chemistry, with numerous GCMS, and FTIR units and are increasing our micro-XRF, and Raman spectroscopy capabilities. We perform analysis of fire debris, explosives, drugs and precursors and clandestine lab mixtures. We have three well-equipped firearms and tool marks sections with an extensive library of common and unusual weapons, and are now linked to the National Integrated Ballistic Identification Network (NIBIN).

LABORATORIES:

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CODIS Laboratory
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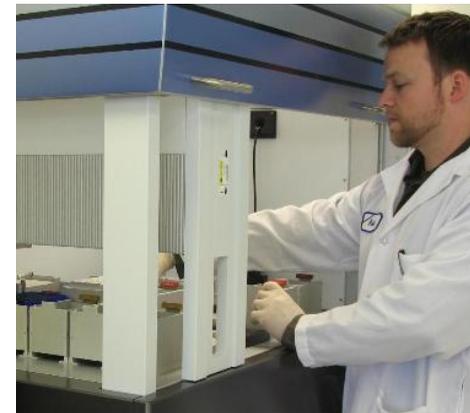
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The CODIS Unit of the WSP Crime Laboratory Division is responsible for the receipt and processing of buccal swab samples received from individuals convicted within Washington State of a felony, select gross misdemeanors and misdemeanor offenses including anyone required to register as a sex or kidnapping offender in Washington State. DNA data is entered into CODIS at the state level and then uploaded to NDIS, the National DNA Index System operated by the FBI. DNA profiles developed from evidence samples in cases are searched against the data bank.

As of May 2016, the Washington State CODIS Data Bank contains approximately 257,000 DNA profiles from convicted offenders and approximately 7300 casework profiles.



Since May 2001, Washington’s CODIS program has had almost 3500 hits. These hits link offender and evidence DNA profiles or DNA profiles between multiple cases, providing important investigative leads to law enforcement agencies.

In 1995, a young woman was reported missing in Everett. Her vehicle was found a few days later, with extensive blood stains throughout. Her body was found a week later, the victim of multiple stab wounds. Evidence was analyzed, but no leads were developed. In 2004, a DNA profile was developed from the steering wheel of the car, but no CODIS match was made. In 2008, a match to the DNA

profile was made to a newly registered sex offender who was living in the area at the time of her disappearance.

The suspect eventually faced trial and was found guilty in 2014 of first degree murder. He was sentenced to 47 years in prison. He is awaiting trial for a second murder of another woman in the same time frame and location.

We recruit scientists at the FS1 level straight out of school with a BS degree in science, and they would typically complete a one year training program before promotion to FS2. After accumulating an additional two years of experience under close supervision, a FS2 promotes to a FS3 where they can perform independent analysis. We seek also to hire at the FS3 level, which is the level of our experienced bench level scientists. We currently are interested in experienced scientists of all expertise for our present labs and for growth in the division that we expect over the next several years.

Forensic Scientist salaries are currently:

- FS 1: \$37,860 - \$50,844
- FS 2: \$43,860 - \$58,956
- FS 3: \$56,136 - \$75,456
- FS 4: \$58,956 - \$79,296
- FS 5: \$63,480 - \$85,380

We have an excellent benefits package and strongly support professional and personal development in our staff. So why not consider a career with us in this exciting and challenging field, and enjoy the opportunity to work in one of the most desirable areas of the United States?

For more information, call the Crime Laboratory Division Headquarters at (206) 262-6002 or e-mail george.johnston@wsp.wa.gov.

See information on the Washington State Patrol: <http://www.wsp.wa.gov> and for more information on Washington, please visit <http://access.wa.gov>.

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