

Forensic Science Technician



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What do Forensic Science Technician Do?

- Forensic science technicians classify and analyze the evidence related to investigation. They perform the tests on weapons, substances ,hair , tissue, or fiber to determine if the evidence is important to the investigation.



What type of education is needed to be a Forensic science technician?

- Forensic science technicians need a bachelor's degree in Forensic science and Technology

Three colleges that I am interested in are:

- Baylor University in Waco, Texas
- Coastal Bend College in Beeville, Texas
- Grayson County College in Denison, Texas



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What is the average salary for a Forensic science technician?

- An average of \$52,840 per year

Some jobs that are open that I'm looking for is:

- Firearms Examiner at the Houston Forensic Science Center, Inc. Located in Houston, TX
- Investigation Technician at Kelly Services. Located in Oklahoma City, OK.
- Forensic DNA Analyst at BAE Systems King George, VA



What are some typical duties?

Typical duties you do in the Forensic science technician field are:

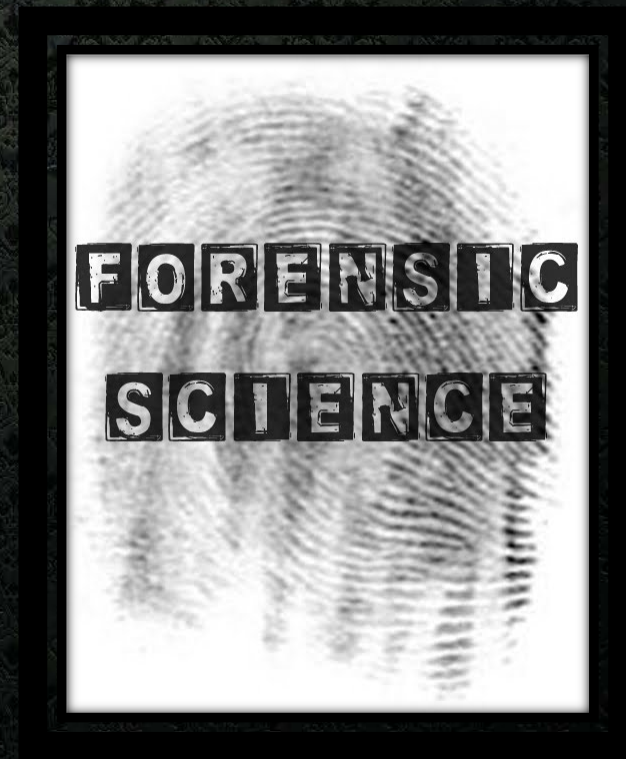
- Forensic science technician's collect evidence at a crime scene. They analyze the evidence and search for fingerprints, DNA, or some sort of way to get an idea of what happened at the scene. They analyze gunshot residue and where the bullet's path was to figure out how and where the murder committed the crime. They reconstruct the crime scene to determine how each piece of evidence fits together.



The Skills needed as a Forensic science technician

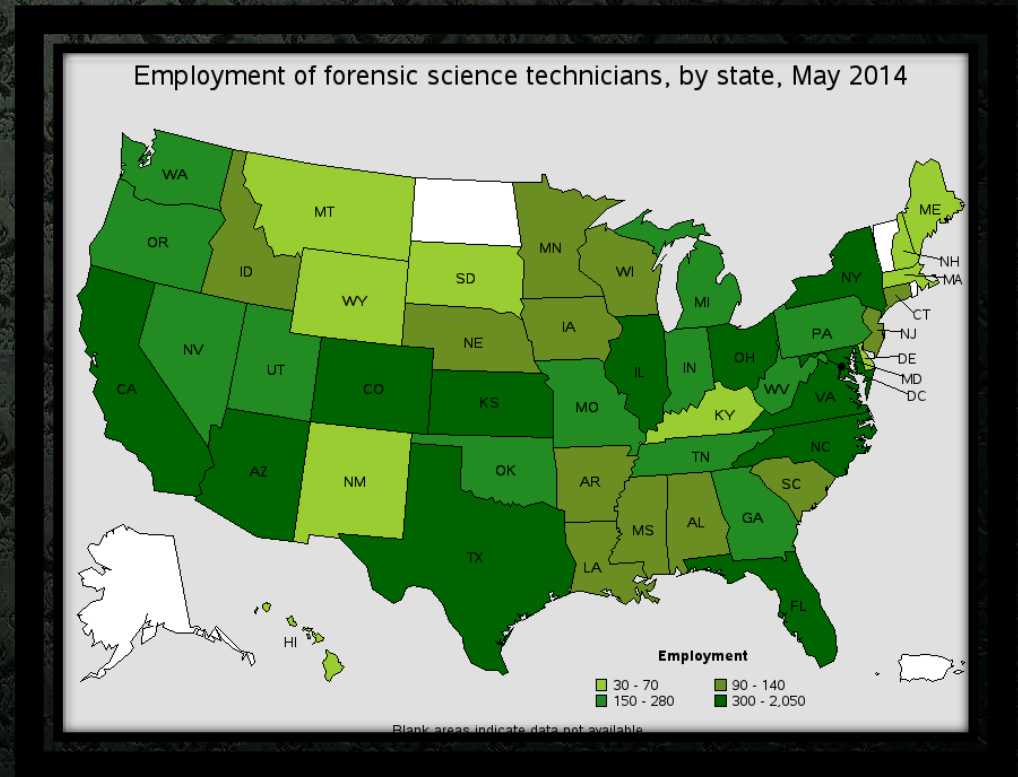
The skills needed as a Forensic science technician are:

- Active listening
- Critical Thinking
- Reading Comprehension
- Speaking
- Writing
- Complex Problem solving
- Science
- Active learning
- Judgement and decision making
- Monitoring
- Social Perceptiveness
- Time Management
- Learning Strategies
- System Analysis



What is the outlook for this job?

The outlook for Forensic science technician field is normal there isn't any growing opportunities for the job.



Pros and Cons of this job

Pros:

- Getting paid \$25.41 per hour
- Your job is important to others it could save lives by putting the killer in jail.
- The science behind finding fingerprints and DNA traces.

Cons:

- Some investigations may take long work hours
- Lots of paperwork
- Needs a lot of patience



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