

**A.S. DEGREE IN SCIENCE FOR FORENSIC SCIENCE**

For a description of the Science for Forensic Science Program, see link below.

<http://www.hostos.cuny.edu/Administrative-Offices/Office-of-Academic-Affairs/Departments/Natural-Sciences/Programs/Science-For-Forensic-Science>

For more information, see link below.

<http://www.hostos.cuny.edu/Hostos/media/Pathways/Forensic-Science-AS-10-01-2019.pdf>

**SKILLS**

**Communication skills:** Forensic science technicians write reports and testify in court. They often work with other law enforcement and specialists.

**Critical-thinking skills:** Forensic science technicians use their best judgment when matching physical evidence, such as fingerprints and DNA, to suspects.

**Detail oriented:** Forensic science technicians must be able to notice small changes in mundane objects to be good at collecting and analyzing evidence.

**Math and science skills:** Forensic science technicians need a solid understanding of statistics and natural sciences to be able to analyze crime scene evidence.

**Problem-solving skills:** Forensic science technicians use scientific tests and methods to help law enforcement officials solve crimes.

**PAY****\$59,150 in May 2019**

The median annual wage for forensic science technicians was \$59,150 in May 2019.

**SAMPLE JOB TITLES**

Associate's degree - Environmental Science and Protection Technicians, and Investigator  
Bachelor's degree - Forensic Science Technicians, Chemists and Materials Scientists, and Biological Technicians

**Job Outlook****14% Growth**

Employment of forensic science technicians is projected to grow 14 percent from 2018 to 2028, much faster than the average for all occupations.

Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, *Occupational Outlook Handbook*, Forensic Science Technicians, on the Internet at <https://www.bls.gov/ooh/life-physical-and-social-science/forensic-science-technicians.htm> (visited August 08, 2020).

**RESOURCES**

<https://www.bls.gov/ooh/>

<http://hostos.cuny.edu/Administrative-Offices/Career-Services-Office>

<https://access.vault.com/career-insider-login.aspx?aid=148711>

<https://hostos-csm.symplicity.com/>