



# Idaho State Police Forensic Services



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### **EDUCATION**

- 2022 Michigan State University- East Lansing, MI  
Masters of Pharmacology and Toxicology
- 2012 Idaho State University- Pocatello, ID  
Master of Public Health
- 2010 Idaho State University- Pocatello, ID  
Bachelor of Science (BS)—Microbiology

### **EXPERIENCE**

- 09/2018 – Present Idaho State Police Forensic Services  
Forensic Scientist II  
Duties: Toxicology Analysis, Volatiles Analysis, Deputy Quality Manager
- 07/2016 – 09/2018 Idaho State Police Forensic Services  
Forensic Scientist I  
Duties: Toxicology Analysis
- 01/2016 – 07/2016 Eastern Idaho Public Health  
Health Education Specialist, Sr.  
Duties: Hypertension and Diabetes Prevention and Control Program
- 03/2013 – 01/2016 Idaho Department of Health and Welfare  
Bureau of Vital Records and Health Statistics  
Senior Research Analyst (Idaho Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS))
- 05/2012 – 09/2016 Idaho State University  
Adjunct Instructor
- 08/2011 – 05/2012 Idaho State University  
Graduate Teaching Assistant

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**EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER**

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08/2009 – 02/2011 Idaho State University  
Laboratory Assistant

### CERTIFICATIONS; PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS; COMMITTEES

2025—Present Drug Facilitated Crimes Committee, Society of Forensic Toxicologists, Inc. (SOFT), Member

2021—Present Diplomate of the American Board of Forensic Toxicology

2018 – Present Society of Forensic Toxicologists, Inc. (SOFT), Member

### TESTIMONY

Ada County, ID	Caribou County, ID
Bannock County, ID	Custer County, ID
Bear Lake County, ID	Franklin County, ID
Bingham County, ID	Twin Fall County, ID
Canyon County, ID	

### CONTINUING EDUCATION; ASSOCIATION MEETINGS; CONFERENCES

2025 Frontline Leadership—*Meridian, ID*

Current Trends in Forensic Toxicology—*Virtual Conference, Center for Forensic Science Research & Education*

2024 A2LA Assessor Training—*Meridian, ID*

Foundational Statistics for Forensic Toxicology—*Virtual Webinar, RTI International*

Current Trends in Forensic Toxicology—*Virtual Conference, Center for Forensic Science Research & Education*

The Role of Comprehensive Medicolegal Death Investigation as Part of a Public Health Improvement Strategy—*Virtual Webinar Series, Center for Forensic Science Research & Education, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and the National Network of Public Health Institutes*

2023 International Association of Chemical Testing Meeting—*Charleston, SC*

Disguised by Design: A 2023 Update on Emerging NPS Drugs—*Virtual Webinar, NMS Labs*

Florida TSRP DUI Webinar Series—*Virtual Webinar*

Current Trends in Forensic Toxicology—*Virtual Conference, Center for Forensic Science Research & Education*

2022 ISO 17025 Internal Auditor Training – *Virtual Course, Seaglass Training*

The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists (TIAFT)—*Virtual Conference*

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Current Trends in Forensic Toxicology—*Virtual Conference, Center for Forensic Science Research & Education*

- 2021 American Academy of Forensic Sciences (AAFS)—*Virtual Conference*  
California Association of Toxicologists (CAT)—*Virtual Conference*  
Society of Forensic Toxicologists (SOFT)—*Nashville, TN*
- 2020 Softember 2020—*Virtual Conference, Society of Forensic Toxicologists (SOFT)*
- 2019 The Robert F. Borkestein Course on Alcohol and Highway Safety, Testing, Research and Litigation—*Bloomington, IN*
- 2018 Courtroom Presentation of Evidence—*Meridian, ID*  
Drug Recognition Expert School (Audited)—*Meridian, ID, Idaho State Police*
- 2017 California Association of Toxicologists (CAT) Spring Meeting—*San Diego, CA*  
Robert F. Borkestein Course on Drugs Effects on Human Performance and Behavior—*Austin, TX*  
Agilent LC/MS-QQQ User Workshop—*Salt Lake City, UT, Agilent Technologies*
- 2016 Crucial Conversations—*Meridian, ID*  
Collaborating for Health: Building Blocks for a Healthier Idaho—*Boise, ID*  
NaRCAD Academic Detailing Training—*Boise, ID*
- 2013 Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) Conference—*Atlanta, GA*

### VALIDATIONS

- 2020 - 2022 Validation of method modifications and the addition of compounds to the scope of Blood Multi-Drug Screen by LCMS-QQQ, and Multi-Drug Confirmation by LCMS-QQQ methods
- 2019 - 2020 Validation of Blood and Urine THC and Metabolites Screening and Blood and Urine Multi-Drug Screen by Q-TOF methods
- 2019 Validation of Urine GHB Screening by LCMS-QQQ method
- 2018-2019 Validation of the addition of urine to the scope of Blood Multi-Drug Screen by LCMS-QQQ, THC and Metabolites Screening by LCMS-QQQ, Multi-Drug Confirmation by LCMS-QQQ and THC and Metabolites Confirmation by LCMS-QQQ methods (in conjunction with Sarah Pickle, Celena Shrum, Anne Nord, and Britany Wylie)
- 2018-2019 Validation of Blood THC and Metabolites Screening by LCMS-QQQ method (in conjunction with Sarah Pickle, Celena Shrum, Anne Nord, and Britany Wylie)

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2017 Validation of Blood Multi-Drug Confirmation by LCMS-QQQ and Blood THC and Metabolites Confirmation by LCMS-QQQ methods (in conjunction with PinPoint Testing, Celena Shrum, and Sarah Pickle)

### **RESEARCH; PUBLICATIONS**

2010 Amanda Hill, Daryl Norris, Tamara Salazar, and Gene Scalarone. 2010. Comparative Studies on Antibody Detection using Yeast Phase Lysate Antigens Prepared from Virulent and Avirulent Isolates of *Blastomyces dermatitidis*. Journal of the Idaho Academy of Science Volume 46: 76-80.

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