



Idaho State Police Forensic Services



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EDUCATION

2011 Weber State University; Ogden, UT
Associates of Applied Science – Laboratory Chemical Technician
Bachelor of Science – Criminal Justice (Laboratory Investigation)
Bachelor of Science – Chemistry (ACS Certified)

EXPERIENCE

08/2013 – Present Idaho State Police Forensic Services
Forensic Scientist II (Pocatello)
Drug analysis, clandestine lab analysis and response

08/2011 – 08/2013 Idaho State Police Forensic Services
Forensic Scientist I (Meridian/Pocatello)
Drug analysis, clandestine lab analysis and response

09/2010 – 12/2010 Weber-Metro CSI; Weber County, UT
Intern with CSI Unit

05/2009 – 08/2009 Utah Crime Laboratory – Salt Lake City, UT
Quality Assurance Intern

CERTIFICATION:

2015-present Drug Analysis Fellow of the American Board of Criminalistics (ABC)

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS; COMMITTEES; WORKING GROUPS

2016 – Present South Western Association of Forensic Scientists (SWAFS)
2014 - Present Clandestine Lab Investigating Chemists (CLIC)
2014 – 2015 CLIC Audit Committee member

<https://isp.idaho.gov/forensics>

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

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TESTIMONY

Testified as an expert witness in controlled substance analysis:

Ada County, ID
Bannock County, ID
Bonneville County, ID
Canyon County, ID
Caribou County, ID
Cassia County, ID
Custer County, ID
Franklin County, ID
Freemont County, ID
Jefferson County, ID
Jerome County, ID
Madison County, ID
Teton County, ID
Twin Falls County, ID

CONTINUING EDUCATION; ASSOCIATION MEETINGS; CONFERENCES

2018 -CLIC workshop and seminar (32 hrs) in Louisville, KY
2017 -SWAFS Annual Conference (32 hrs) in Fort Worth, TX
-FBI Crime Scene Photography (40 hrs) taught by Vance B. Liebelt in Meridian, ID

2016 -Crucial Conversations (16 hrs) in Boise, ID
-SWAFS Annual Conference (32 hrs) in Galveston, TX

2015 -Mass Hunter Training by Agilent (6hrs) in Coeur d’Alene, ID
-SWAFS Annual Conference (32 hrs) in Oklahoma City, OK

2014 -The Robert F. Borkenstein Course on Alcohol & Highway Safety: Testing, Research, & Litigation (40 hr course); presented by various instructors in Bloomington, IN
-ASCLD/LAB Assessor Training Course (32 hrs plus exam); presented by Emma Dutton from ASCLD/LAB
-“Principles of Leadership”; semester course by Tim Campbell
-CLIC Annual Seminar (24 hrs) in Vancouver, BC
-Instrument Troubleshooting and Maintenance (10 hrs); presented by Abe Sanoja from MLS Technologies

2013 -DEA Forensic Chemist Seminar (40 hrs) in Dulles, VA at the DEA Special Testing and Research Lab
-Agilent eSeminar; “Practical Steps in GC Troubleshooting”
-Agilent eSeminar; “Practical Steps in GC Method Development”
-Agilent eSeminar; “How to Keep Your Application Running: Routine Maintenance”

2012 -Clandestine Laboratory Safety Certification (40 hrs); presented by Jerry Bucklin and Tim Binkley from NES and MCTC
-Courtroom Testimony Training (24 hrs); presented by Raymond Davis
-Completed ISP Marijuana training program

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- 2011
- Firearms Safety Training (internal training)
 - Completed ISP Solid Dosage training program
 - Uncertainty of Measurement (16 hrs)
 - West Virginia University Online Courses:
 - Forensic Science 101: An Introduction
 - Ethics in Forensic Science
 - The Basics of Biological Evidence
 - The Science of Fingerprints
 - Forensic Photography
 - Fundamentals of Forensic Toxicology
 - Introduction to Firearms and Toolmarks

TEACHING; PRESENTATIONS

- 2015
- Presentation at Pocatello High School, Sugar-Salem High School, and Skyline High School about Forensic Science and Controlled Substance Analysis
- 2014
- Presentation at Pocatello High School about Forensic Science and Controlled Substance Analysis
- 2013
- STEM presentation on Forensic Chemistry and Drug Analysis at Idaho State University
- 2012
- Presentation on Heroin and Opiates at Idaho State University
- 2009
- Created Power Point on crime scene photography for on-going training for the Utah Highway Patrol.
 - Part of a team that researched methods of lead testing and lead removal methods. Held community education night with free lead testing of household items.

RESEARCH; PUBLICATIONS

- 2011
- Researched sources of differences in IR spectra of cocaine HCl and cocaine base using literature values, experimental values, and computer simulations.