



SALARY

Depending on the role you pick you could earn between £16,000 and £90,000 per year

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WHAT IS IT?

Forensic scientists work with the police to help solve crimes. This could involve visiting crime scenes, investigating serious incidents and even giving evidence in a court room.

You could be a:

- ⇒ Forensic scientist—prepare evidence for use in court
- ⇒ Forensic psychologist—explore what makes people commit crimes
- ⇒ Scenes of crime officer— find, record and recover evidence from crime scenes
- ⇒ Road traffic accident investigator— use physics and evidence to work out why and how road accidents happen

WHERE CAN I GET A JOB?

Local Police forces, universities, crime agencies and laboratories are places you could find work. You may be working in a range of difference situations including scenes of very serious crimes which may be disturbing or upsetting.

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED

Job	GCSEs (or equivalent)	A-levels (or equivalent)	Degree	Other options
Forensic Scientist	4 or 5 GCSEs at grades 9-4	2 or 3 A-levels including chemistry	Degree in forensic science or related field such as medical science	Laboratory Scientist higher or degree apprenticeship instead of a degree
Forensic Psychologist	As above	As above	Degree in psychology	Will also need a postgraduate masters in forensic psychology and 2 years supervised practice
Scenes of Crime Officer	As above, including Science	As above	Degree in forensic science	Direct entry by application to the Police
Road Traffic Accident Investigator	As above	As above including maths and a science	Foundation Degree in Forensic Road Collision Investigation	University Certificate of Professional Development (UCPD) Forensic Road