

**Decatur Forensic Science Laboratory (DFSL)  
Forensic Sciences Command (FSC) Positions  
Illinois State Police**

The Illinois State Police (ISP) is seeking to fill two leadership positions at the Decatur Forensic Science Laboratory (DFSL) in the Forensic Sciences Command (FSC). The ISP FSC is the third largest forensic laboratory system in the world. Currently, with six full service forensic laboratories throughout the State of Illinois and a Training and Applications Laboratory, the new Decatur Forensic Science Laboratory will be the seventh laboratory in the system. This laboratory will primarily function as a DNA Property Crimes Lab.

The first position is for the **Laboratory Director**, a senior level position providing management and oversight of the DFSL. The Laboratory Director is expected to indirectly supervise a staff of 22 analysts, clerical, supervisory and maintenance staff. This position promotes and ensures prompt, accurate and timely services to all our user agencies. The ideal candidate will have experience with the FBI QAS standards. In addition, the ideal candidate will demonstrate a work history of managing staff with positive outcomes. The State of Illinois continually strives for a workforce that reflects the growing diversity within the State. A variety of employee backgrounds, perspectives, ideals and experiences is crucial to the ISP's ability to most effectively serve the public. We welcome interested applicants to apply for the position of Laboratory Director and help lead one of the nation's premier forensic science systems.

The second position is for **DFSL Group Leader**, which includes technical and supervisory duties as the group supervisor of the Biochemistry Section Forensic Biology/DNA (FB/DNA) Unit. Group Leader evaluates FB/DNA laboratory reports, provides expertise in troubleshooting problems, and attends and participates in conferences and seminars. Minimum qualifications include a Bachelor's degree in a natural or forensic science, preferably supplemented by a master's degree in one of the biological, natural, physical, or forensic sciences, or related disciplines, two years of professional forensic science work experience such as would be gained at the advanced caseworker level.

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