Class Concept

This is professional advanced level work investigating violations of the criminal laws of North Carolina. Employees may function in one of several roles, for employees assigned drug or criminal investigations in assigned geographical areas, employees provide high level expert technical assistance and coordinate the efforts of local law enforcement on all but the largest and most complex cases in their assigned areas. Work typically requires the coordination of complex large scale investigations involving several law enforcement agencies in addition to routine cases. Employees may serve as district specialists; employees usually do not have an assigned geographic area but serve as investigators over the more complex cases in areas such as arson and financial crimes or as technical experts in the operations of a mobile crime laboratory or in the use of polygraph equipment in all levels of investigations. Employees may be assigned to special statewide or federal investigative teams, coordinating the work of the highest level investigations to include inter-county, interstate or international cases. All work is performed independently. Employees typically report to a SBI Assistant Special Agent in Charge.

Recruitment Standards

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

- Thorough knowledge of the methods, procedures, and practices used in the investigation of criminal offenses to solve a wide variety of complex crimes.
- Thorough knowledge of the planning extensive complex investigations.
- Through knowledge of the principles of securing and identifying a variety of evidence.
- Ability to investigate a variety of criminal cases, to interpret and apply criminal laws of North Carolina in investigations, to make arrest, to prepare comprehensive and detailed reports pertaining to individual cases, to present effective court testimony, and to apply the principles, techniques, and procedures of modern criminal investigations.
- Ability to analyze investigative information to determine appropriate suspects.
- Ability to communicate both verbally and in writing with local law enforcement agencies, federal investigators, suspects, and witnesses.
- Ability to use firearms and tools and equipment involved in evidence collection and enforcement agencies and officers.
- Ability to apply the principles, techniques, and procedures of modern criminal investigations and to maintain favorable working relationships with other law enforcement agencies and officers.

Minimum Education and Experience

Bachelor's degree from an appropriately accredited institution and three years of law enforcement experience that included having the power to arrest; or an equivalent combination of education and experience.

Necessary Special Qualifications

Must have graduated from the SBI Academy and meet all applicable North Carolina state statutory standards for law enforcement officers.