The Department of Pathology, East Tennessee State University, James H. Quillen College of Medicine is in need of a third full time forensic pathologist for the William L. Jenkins Forensic Center.

The William L. Jenkins Forensic Center (WLJFC) is a state-of-the-art, N.A.M.E. accredited facility sited on the beautiful James H. Quillen College of Medicine Campus.

The Center is responsible for performing 500-600 forensic autopsies a year for the eight counties in upper Northeast Tennessee. The position is contingent upon outside funding from the eight counties, provided since division startup in 1983.

The position will function as the third full time forensic pathologist and as deputy County Medical Examiner for any of the eight counties who desire to utilize the WLJFC as the home of their Medical Examiner.

Forensic Pathologist/County Medical Examiner duties:
Perform autopsies for an eight county population of 508,000, with approximately 25 homicide cases per year (shared between three full time forensic pathologists); working with three full time autopsy technicians on staff.

Complete reports within guidelines established by N.A.M.E. The Forensic Center adheres to a maximum 90-day timeframe for completing cases through N.A.M.E. accreditation.

Educate residents and medical students. The residents of the ETSU Pathology rotate through the department and perform most of their required autopsies at the Forensic Center. There are abundant teaching opportunities with residents and medical students.

Perform County Medical Examiner duties currently for three of the eight counties served. County Medical Examiner is required by law to investigate all deaths involving a homicide, suspected homicide, a suicide, a violent, unnatural or suspicious death, an unexpected apparent natural death in an adult, sudden unexpected infant and child deaths, deaths believed to represent a threat to public health or safety, and executed
prisoners. (Tenn. Code Ann. § 38-7-106) Deaths resulting from injuries or complications from injuries no matter how long after the injury occurred are medical examiner cases and fall under the jurisdiction of the medical examiner. Five Medicolegal Death Investigators (MDIs) are on staff. Two are board certified; one is registered with the ABMDI and two are working toward registry status. The County Medical Examiner will be on a rotating call schedule shared with the on-call MDI to answer questions and/or respond to death scenes if requested.

Approve all cremation permits requested for deaths occurring in the county for which serving as Medical Examiner.

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities: Excellent oral and written communication skills are required.

Minimum Qualifications: The applicant should be board certified or eligible in anatomic pathology with either special qualification certification in forensic pathology or with fellowship training in forensic pathology with eligibility for special qualification certification in forensic pathology at the time of hire. The applicant must also be eligible for a Tennessee medical license at the time of hire and must have license by start date. The ideal candidate will have an interest in educating pathology residents/medical students.

Work Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00am-4:30pm with rotating on call status for Forensic Center/County Medical Examiner with limited scene response.

Special Instructions to Applicants: Apply online by visiting https://jobs.etsu.edu (search postings). In addition to the references provided on your application, for this position you will be required to provide the names and email address of at least three references (you may choose to provide the same references you listed on your application, or you may list different references). The references provided in the "Provide References" section of the application process will be automatically contacted by eJobs system and asked to provide a letter of recommendation on your behalf. Human Resources cannot edit or add additional references once you have completed the application process. We recommend that you contact references before submitting their information to insure the reference is willing and able to complete the reference process, and that you double check all email addresses before submitting them (they cannot be corrected, once entered). If your references are unable or unwilling to use the electronic system to submit a letter of recommendation, you may advise them to send the letter directly to the hiring department at: Assistant Professor Search, Department of Pathology, Quillen College of Medicine, ETSU, Box 70568, Johnson City, TN 37614.