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NOTICE OF EXAMINATION

ASSOCIATE CORRECTIONAL COUNSELOR (NYC H+H) Exam No. 3001 (For NYC Health + Hospitals Only) AMENDED NOTICE - November 30, 2022

WHEN TO APPLY:

To: December 21, 2022

From: December 1, 2022

APPLICATION FEE: \$68.00

If you choose to pay the application fee with a credit/debit/gift card, you will be charged a service fee of 2.00% of the payment amount. This service fee is nonrefundable.

The Notice of Examination is amended to reopen the Application Period from December 1, 2022. Candidates who previously applied do not need to apply again.

YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR READING THIS ENTIRE NOTICE BEFORE YOU SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION.

WHAT THE JOB INVOLVES:

Associate Correctional Counselors (NYC H+H), under supervision, with latitude for the exercise of independent judgment and initiative, supervise Correctional Counselors (NYC H+H) and other employees in the performance of tasks related to correctional counseling, guidance, and information and referral services, and provide a full range of social services to inmates. They supervise, review and evaluate the activities of Correctional Counselors (NYC H+H) and other employees assisting inmates with personal and social adjustments to incarceration; advise on and assist in planning and conducting correctional programs; coordinate and schedule duties of subordinates; participate in or conduct in-service training programs; maintain records; write letters and reports; work on special assignments as requested; may attend inmate council meetings; may perform the duties of a Correctional Counselor (NYC H+H) when necessary; and may substitute for the supervisor in the temporary absence of the supervisor. All Associate Correctional Counselors (NYC H+H) perform related work.

Special Working Conditions:

Associate Correctional Counselors (NYC H+H) may be required to work various shifts including nights, Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays. Correctional facilities are primarily located on Rikers Island with an additional location in the Bronx. These facilities operate 24 hours/7 days a week. Courts are located in all five boroughs. Locations and shift assignments are based on the needs of the facility.

Some of the physical activities performed by Associate Correctional Counselors (NYC H+H) and environmental conditions experienced are: standing for extended periods of time; walking up stairs; working outdoors as well as indoors; and working in extreme temperatures.

(This is a brief description of what you might do in this position and does not include all the duties of this position.)

THE SALARY:

The current minimum salary is \$51,079 per annum. This rate is subject to change.

HOW TO QUALIFY:

You are responsible for determining whether or not you meet the education and experience requirements for this examination prior to submitting your application. If you are found "Not Qualified," your application fee will not be refunded and you will not receive a score.

You will **not** receive credit for education which you obtain after January 31, 2023 or experience which you obtain after July 26, 2022.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS:

1. A four year high school diploma or its educational equivalent and five years of satisfactory fulltime experience providing direct counseling, guidance, crisis-intervention or informational and referral services, to substance abusers or to inmates of a correctional facility or to a similar client population including, but not limited to clients of juvenile detention or parole mandated programs; or

population including, but not limited to clients of juvenile detention or parole mandated programs; or 2. Education and experience equivalent to "1" above. Thirty (30) semester credits from an accredited college or university will be considered equivalent to one year of the required experience. However, all candidates must have a four year high school diploma or its educational equivalent and at least two years of experience as described in "1" above.

The education requirement must be met by January 31, 2023. The experience requirement must be met by July 26, 2022.

The high school diploma or its educational equivalent must be approved by a State's Department of Education or a recognized accrediting organization. The college or university must be accredited by

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regional, national, professional, or specialized agencies recognized as accrediting bodies by the U.S. Secretary of Education and by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA).

If you were educated outside the United States, you must have your foreign education evaluated to determine its equivalence to education obtained in the United States. This is required <u>only</u> if you need credit for your foreign education in this examination. For more information see the Foreign Education Evaluation Guide in the Required Information section.

During the Education and Experience Exam (EEE), you may answer questions about your experience. If your experience was on a part-time basis working less than 35 hours per week, you will need to convert your part-time experience to full-time experience using the formula below. Once you have determined your full-time experience equivalent, use this amount to answer questions about your experience.

(number of hours worked per week/35) x (number of months worked)

For example, if you worked at a job for 21 hours per week for 12 months, you would make the following calculation: $21/35 \times 12 = 7.2$ months.

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Medical Requirement:

In accordance with applicable Federal, state and local laws and regulations, NYC H+H has established medical standards for this position. Accordingly, all eligibles will be required to undergo and pass a medical examination prior to the date of appointment to ensure that those medical standards have been met.

Drug Screening Requirement:

You must pass a drug screening in order to be appointed.

Prison Rape Elimination Act:

Appointment into this title is subject to the Federal Regulations of the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA), Section 115.317 on Hiring and Promotion. As per PREA, NYC Health + Hospitals will not hire or promote anyone who may have contact with residents, and who has engaged in sexual abuse in a prison, jail, lockup, community confinement facility, juvenile facility, or other institution (as defined in 42 U.S.C. 1997); or who has been convicted or civilly or administratively adjudicated to have engaged or attempted to engage in sexual activity in the community facilitated by force, overt or implied threats of force, or coercion, or if the victim did not consent or was unable to consent or refuse.

Residency Requirement:

City residency is not required for this position.

English Requirement:

You must be able to understand and be understood in English.

Proof of Identity:

Under the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, you must be able to prove your identity and your right to obtain employment in the United States prior to employment with NYC Health + Hospitals.

Vaccination Requirement:

As of September 27, 2021, all new hires must be vaccinated against the COVID-19 virus. If you are offered employment with NYC Health + Hospitals, you must be fully vaccinated by your date of hire.

HOW TO APPLY:

If you believe you meet the requirements in the "How to Qualify" section, apply using the Online Application System (OASys) at *www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs*. Follow the onscreen application instructions for electronically submitting your application and payment and completing any required information. A unique and valid email address is required to apply online. Several internet service providers, including but not limited to Google, Yahoo!, AOL, Outlook.com, and Mail.com offer free email addresses. All new OASys accounts require verification before a candidate can apply to ensure the accuracy of candidate information. Verification is instantaneous for most accounts and you will receive a confirmation email with instructions to activate your account. For any account creation issues, you will receive onscreen prompts to contact DCAS. This review may require up to two (2) business days to be reviewed and resolved. Please keep this information and the application period deadline in mind when creating your account.

The following methods of payment are acceptable: major credit card, bank card associated with a bank account, or a prepaid debit card with a credit card logo which you may purchase online or at various retail outlets. If you are receiving or participating in certain forms of public assistance/benefits/programs, or are a veteran, you may qualify to have the application fee waived. For more information on eligibility for a fee waiver and documentation requirements visit the Fee Waiver FAQ on the Online Application System at: *https://a856-exams.nyc.gov/OASysWeb/Home/Faq* Effective January 2020, the Online Application System is no longer supported on Windows 7 or earlier versions of Windows operating systems.

You may come to the DCAS Computer-based Testing & Applications Centers to apply for this examination online. However, you must schedule a customer service appointment prior to your visit. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, DCAS no longer permits walk-ins at DCAS sites.

The centers will be open Monday through Saturday from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM:

Manhattan

2 Lafayette Street 17th Floor New York, NY 10007 **Brooklyn** 210 Joralemon Street 4th Floor Brooklyn, NY 11201 <u>Queens</u> 118-35 Queens Boulevard 5th Floor

Forest Hills, NY 11375

Staten Island

135 Canal Street 3rd Floor Staten Island, NY 10304 Bronx 1932 Arthur Avenue 2nd Floor Bronx, NY 10457

To schedule a customer service appointment through OASys for an exam-related or eligible list-related inquiry, find **Exam #1889**, click **Apply**, and follow the instructions provided to reserve your appointment location, date, and time.

You must complete the entire application by midnight, Eastern Time, of the last day of the application period. If you have questions about applying for this examination, you may contact DCAS at OASys@dcas.nyc.gov.

Special Circumstances Guide: This guide is located on the DCAS website at *https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/dcas/downloads/pdf/employment/pdf_c_special_circumstances_guide.pdf* and available at the DCAS Computer-based Testing & Applications Centers. This guide gives important information about claiming Veterans' or Legacy credit, and notifying DCAS of a change in your mailing address. Follow all instructions on the Special Circumstances Guide that pertain to you when you complete your "Application for Examination."

REQUIRED INFORMATION:

- 1. **Application for Examination:** Follow the online instructions, including those relating to the payment of fee and, if applicable, those found in the Special Circumstances Guide.
- 2. Education and Experience Exam: Fill out all the required sections displayed onscreen (if applicable). You will have until midnight Eastern time on the last day of the Application Period (December 21, 2022) to clearly specify in detail all of your relevant education and experience on your Education and Experience Exam and submit it in the Online Application System (OASys). If you do not Final Submit your Education and Experience Exam in OASys by midnight Eastern time on the last day of the Application Period (December 21, 2022), your examination will be considered incomplete, you will not be entitled to the appeals process, you will not receive a score, you will not be invited to subsequent portions of this examination (if applicable), and your application fee will not be refunded.
- 3. Foreign Education Evaluation Guide: (Required only if you need credit for your foreign education in this examination): If you were educated outside the United States, you must have your foreign education evaluated to determine its equivalence to education obtained in the United States. The services that are approved to make this evaluation are listed on the Foreign Education Evaluation Guide which is located on the DCAS website at https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/dcas/downloads/pdf/employment/foreigneducation.pdf. When vou contact the evaluation service, ask for a **"document-by-document"** (general) evaluation of your foreign education. You must have one of these services submit its evaluation of your foreign education directly to the Department of Citywide Administrative Services no later than eight weeks from the last day of the Application Period (December 21, 2022).

THE TEST:

Your score will be determined by an Education and Experience Exam. You will receive a score of 70 points for meeting the education and experience requirements listed above. After these requirements are met, you will receive additional credit up to a maximum of 100 points on the following basis:

If you have satisfactory full-time experience at a correctional facility in direct counseling, guidance, crisis-intervention or informational and referral services, to You will substance abusers or to inmates of a correctional facility or to a similar client receive up receive up population including, but not limited to clients of juvenile detention or parole mandated to: programs for: At least 1 year but less than 2 years 10 points At least 2 years but less than 3 years 13 points At least 3 years but less than 4 years 16 points At least 4 years but less than 5 years 19 points 5 or more years 21 points If you have satisfactory full-time experience at a noncorrectional facility in direct counseling, guidance, crisis-intervention or informational and referral services, to substance abusers or to inmates of a correctional facility or to a similar client You will receive up population including, but not limited to clients of juvenile detention or parole mandated to: programs for: At least 1 year but less than 3 years 5 points

8 points

At least 3 years but less than 5 years

Graduate credits completed at an accredited college or university for:	You will receive:
Completion of 3 to 11 semester credits	8 points
Completion of 12 to 23 semester credits	10 points
Completion of 24 or more semester credits	12 points

You will receive a maximum of one year of experience credit for each year you worked. Each year of experience will be credited under only one category which will be the highest appropriate category. Education and experience used to meet the minimum requirements cannot be used to gain additional credit.

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For example, if you worked at a job for 21 hours per week for 12 months, you would make the following calculation: $21/35 \times 12 = 7.2$ months.

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Education must be obtained by January 31, 2023 and experience must be obtained by July 26, 2022.

CHANGE OF MAILING ADDRESS, EMAIL ADDRESS, AND/OR TELEPHONE NUMBER:

It is critical that you promptly notify DCAS of any change to your mailing address, email address and/or phone number. If we do not have your correct mailing address, email address and/or phone number, you will not receive information about your exam(s), consideration for appointment and/or important information that may require a response by a specified deadline. If you need to update your Mailing Address, Email Address, and/or Telephone Number, read below:

- City Employees update this information in NYCAPS Employee Self-Service (ESS) at *www.nyc.gov/ess*
- All Others update this information on your Profile page in the Online Application System (OASys) by logging into your OASys account and navigating to your Dashboard, then your Profile tab at www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs
- Submit a written request by email at OASys@dcas.nyc.gov, by fax (646) 500-7190, or by regular mail: DCAS, 1 Centre Street, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10007. Your written request must include your full name, social security number, exam title(s), exam number(s), previous mailing and/or email address, and your new mailing and/or email address, and/or new telephone number.

CHANGE OF NAME AND/OR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER:

Use the Data Correction Form and follow all instructions for changing your name and/or social security number with DCAS. The following link will provide you with the DCAS Data Correction Form: https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/dcas/downloads/pdf/employment/dp148a.pdf

THE TEST RESULTS:

If you pass the Education and Experience Exam (EEE), your name will be placed in final score order on a NYC H+H eligible list, you will be given a list number and you will be notified by email of your test results. The eligible list determines the order by which candidates will be considered for appointment. If you meet all requirements and conditions, you will be considered for appointment if your name is reached on the eligible list.

If you believe that your test part was rated incorrectly, you may submit an appeal of your score to DCAS, Committee on Manifest Errors, through the Online Application System (OASys). Your appeal must give specific reasons why your score should be higher. Your appeal may result in a higher or lower rating.

To access the appeal portal of OASys, please log into your OASys account at *www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs* and use the following steps:

- 1. Navigate to the Dashboard for the Appeals tab.
- 2. Click the NEW APPEAL button to create and submit your appeal.
- 3. Select the exam from the Exam drop-down list, and
- 4. Select the exam part from the Exam Part drop-down list.
- 5. Select the reason for your appeal from the Appeal Reason drop-down list (if applicable).
- 6. Enter the details of your appeal by providing specific reasons why your score should be higher.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

This examination is for positions with NYC Health + Hospitals only. If you would like to apply for Associate Correctional Counselor in City agencies you must submit a separate application and fee for Exam No. 3000 from July 6, 2022 through July 26, 2022.

Reemployment Of Public Service Retirees:

NYC H+H has promulgated rules regarding the reemployment of persons who have already retired from public service. Any such retired person is advised to consult with NYC H+H Human Resources Management, Office of Civil Service and Background Administration at (212) 788-3568 to determine whether they would be eligible for appointment from an eligible list established for this examination.

Selective Certification:

Selective Certification. Selective Certification for Foreign Language and/or American Sign Language: If you can speak Albanian (ALB), Arabic (ARA), Bengali (BEN), Chinese (Cantonese) (CAN), Chinese (Mandarin) (MAN), French (FRE), German (GER), Greek (GRE), Haitian/Creole (CRE), Hebrew (HEB), Hindi (HIN), Hungarian (HUN), Italian (ITA), Korean (KOR), Khmer (KHM), Portuguese (POR), Polish (POL), Russian (RUS), Spanish (SPA), Tagalog (TAG), Tibetan (TIB), Urdu (URD), Vietnamese (VIE), West African Languages (e.g., Ibo, Swahili, Yoruba) (WAL), Yiddish (YDD) and/or you know American Sign Language (ASL), you may be considered for appointment to positions requiring this ability through a process called Selective Certification. If you qualify for Selective Certification, you may be given preferred consideration for positions requiring this ability. Follow the onscreen instructions when completing the Education and Experience Exam to indicate your interest in Selective Certification and Final Submit it in the Online Application System (OASys). Your qualifications for Selective Certification will be checked by the appointing agency at the time (OASys). Your qualifications for Selective Certification will be checked by the appointing agency at the time of appointment.

The above Selective Certification requirements may be met at any time during the duration of the list. If you meet the Selective Certification requirement(s) at some future date, please submit a request by mail to: DCAS Bureau of Examinations - Exam Development, 1 Centre Street, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10007. Please include the examination title and number, your social security number, and the Selective Certification you are requesting on your correspondence.

List Termination:

The eligible list resulting from this examination will be terminated one year from the date it is established, unless extended by NYC H+H.

Application Receipt:

You will be emailed a receipt immediately after you have applied for the examination. If you do not receive this receipt, check "Junk", "Trash", or "Spam" folders for the primary email linked to your Online Application System (OASys) account. If you are unable to locate the email, you can view a summary of the notification email to you on your OASys Dashboard, then Notifications. If you are still unable to find the email, please email DCAS via the Contact feature available in OASys with a description of the issue and include the exam number and your profile number located on your Profile page. While on your Profile page, check that the email addresses you provided are correct and/or updated.

PENALTY FOR MISREPRESENTATION:

Any intentional misrepresentation on the application or examination may result in disgualification, even after appointment, and may result in criminal prosecution.

The General Examination Regulations of the Department of Citywide Administrative Services (DCAS) apply to this examination and are part of this Notice of Examination. They are posted at nyc.gov/dcas and copies are available at the DCAS Computer-based Testing & Applications Centers.

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