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NOTICE OF EXAMINATION

REQUIRED FORMS

APPLICATION FORM

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE TEST PAPER

FOREIGN EDUCATION FACT SHEET (IF APPLICABLE)

PROGRAM OFFICER (DEPARTMENT FOR THE AGING)

Exam. No. 5050

WHEN TO APPLY: From: November 2, 2005 To: November 22, 2005

APPLICATION FEE: \$45.00 Payable only by money order to D.C.A.S. (EXAMS)

THE TEST DATE: The multiple-choice test is expected to be held on Saturday, March 4, 2006.

WHAT THE JOB INVOLVES: Program Officers (Department For The Aging) under broad supervision, with latitude for independent judgment and initiative, perform responsible work which involves planning, operating and coordinating programs of social services to the elderly by public and voluntary agencies. All Program Officers perform related work.

Some of the physical activities performed by Program Officers (Department for the Aging) and environmental conditions experienced are: inspecting the premises of contractors which may require bending, lifting and use of stairs; walking to and from inspection sites under all weather conditions; and carrying records and files from contractor location to location.

(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 \$40,498 per annum. This rate is subject to change.

HOW TO APPLY: If you believe that you meet the requirements in the "How to Qualify" section, refer to the "Required Forms" section below for the form(s) that you must fill out. Return all completed form(s) and the application fee to DCAS Applications Section, 1 Centre Street, 14th floor, New York, NY 10007 **by mail only**. Applications will not be accepted in person.

HOW TO QUALIFY:

Education and Experience Requirements: By the last day of the Application Period you must have:

- 1. A baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university and three years of full-time satisfactory professional experience in social services, community relations, public administration, public management, contract management, or social research and/or social planning, of which at least one year must have been in the field of aging; or
- 2. A combination of seven years of education and experience that is equivalent to "1" above. Experience may be substituted for the required education in "1" above on the basis of one year of experience for 30 semester credits up to a maximum of 120 semester credits. However, all candidates must: (a) have three years of experience as described in "1" of which at least one year must have been in the field of aging; and (b) possess a four-year high school diploma or its educational equivalent.

You may be given the test before we verify your qualifications. You are responsible for determining whether or not you meet the qualification requirements for this examination prior to submitting your application. If you are marked "Not Qualified," your application fee will not be refunded and you will not receive a score.

Residency Requirement: You must be a City resident within ninety days of the date you are appointed to this position if:

- (1) You begin City service as a result of this examination; or
- (2) You are currently a City employee and you began City service on or after September 1, 1986.

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 the City of New York.

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REQUIRED FORM(S):

- **1. Application for Examination**: Make sure that you follow all instructions included with your application form, including payment of fee. Save a copy of the instructions for future reference.
 - 2. Education and Experience Test Paper: Write your social security number in the box at the top right side of the cover page, and the examination title and number in the box provided. Fill out Sections A, A.1, A.2, A.4 and B. This form must be filled out completely and in detail for you to receive your proper rating. Keep a copy of your completed Education and Experience Test Paper for your records.
- 3. Foreign Education Fact Sheet (Required <u>only</u> if you need credit for your foreign education to meet the education and experience requirements): 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 Fact Sheet included with your application packet. When you 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 date for applying for this examination.
- **THE TEST**: You will be given a multiple-choice test. Your score on this test will be used to determine your place on an eligible list. You must achieve a score of at least 70% to pass the test. The multiple-choice test may include questions on problem solving, including the use of job-related mathematics; recognizing or identifying the existence of problems; applying rules and procedures to specific problems; written expression; written comprehension, including the interpretation of charts, graphs and other numerical displays of data; and other related areas.

Education and experience must be obtained by the last day of the application period.

- **ADMISSION CARD:** You should receive an Admission Card in the mail about 10 days before the date of the test. If you do not receive an Admission Card at least 4 days before the test date, you must go to the Examining Service Section, 1 Centre Street, 14th floor, Manhattan, to obtain a duplicate card.
- **THE TEST RESULTS:** If you meet the education and experience requirements and pass the multiple-choice test, your name will be placed in score order on an eligible list and you will be given a list number. You will be notified by mail of your test results. If you meet all requirements and conditions, you will be considered for appointment when your name is reached on the eligible list.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Selective Certification for experience in social research and/or planning in the field of aging: If you have one year of full-time satisfactory professional experience in social research and/or social planning in the field of aging, you may be considered for appointment to positions requiring this experience through a process called Selective Certification. If you qualify for Selective Certification , you may be given preferred consideration for positions requiring this experience. Follow the instructions given to you in the multiple-choice test booklet on the day of the test to indicate your interest in such Selective Certification. This requirement may be met at any time during the duration of the list. If you meet this requirement at some future date, please submit documentation by mail to: DCAS Bureau of Examinations - GEEG, 1 Centre Street, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10007. Please include the examination title and number and your social security number on your correspondence.

Application Receipt: You will be mailed a receipt within three months of the last date of the application period. If you do not receive this item, write to this agency, Attention: Examining Service Section, 1 Centre Street, 14th floor, New York, NY 10007 to request verification that your application was received. Include your social security number and the examination number and title in your request.

The General Examination Regulations of the Department of Citywide Administrative Services apply to this examination and are part of this Notice of Examination. They are posted and copies are available in the Applications Center of the Division of Citywide Personnel Services, 18 Washington Street, NY, NY.

The City of New York is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Title Code No. 51454; Program Officer (Department For The Aging) Occupational Group

For information about other exams, and your exam or list status, call 212-669-1357. Internet: nyc.gov/dcas