

**JOB ANNOUNCEMENT
COMPETITIVE NOTICE**

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
An Equal Opportunity Employer**

Position: Immigration Policy Analyst Series/Grade: GS- 0301-13	Announcement No: ETA-04-103PN
	Opening Date: July 7, 2004
	Closing Date: July 13, 2004
Salary Range: \$72,108 - \$93,742 (includes locality pay of 14.63%)	Number of Vacancies: One (1)
	Bargaining Unit: Inside B.U. – Local 12
Organizational/Geographic Location: Employment & Training Administration Office of National Programs Division of Foreign Labor Certification Washington, DC	Promotion Potential: None
	Civil Service Status Required: No
	Temporary Position: No - Permanent
	Part-time Position: No – Full-time
Duty Station: Washington D.C.	Area of Consideration: All Eligible Candidates and *ICTAP Eligibles Within the Local Commuting Area

Applications will also be accepted from persons who qualify under noncompetitive hiring authorities, such as (but not limited to) Veterans Readjustment Appointment (VRA eligibles), 30% or more compensable veterans, persons with disabilities, Outstanding Scholar, or present/former Peace Corps personnel. Additionally, veterans who are preference eligibles or who have been separated from the armed forces under honorable conditions after substantially completing three years of continuous active military service may apply under the Veterans Employment Opportunity Act.

Detailed application instructions and an on-line application form are available on the Employment and Training Administration, Office of Human Resources web site at URL: <http://www.doleta.gov/jobs/> .

<p>Position Duties and Responsibilities:</p> <p>This position is located in the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL), Employment and Training Administration (ETA), Office of National Programs (ONP), Division of Foreign Labor Certification (DFLC) office. The Division provides national leadership and policy guidance to carry out the responsibilities of the Secretary of Labor under the Immigration and Nationality Act, as amended, concerning foreigners seeking admission to the United States in order to work.</p> <p>The incumbent functions as an expert in various aspects of Immigration Law to include possessing a working knowledge of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) and the employment-based immigrations programs administered by the Division of Foreign Labor Certification (FLC).</p> <p>Responsible for highly confidential and sensitive material related to ongoing investigations of foreign labor certification program fraud by the OIG, Department of Justice and the Department of Homeland Security. Responsible for confidential policy papers, positions, and materials. Participates in confidential discussions with the Division Chief and other officials.</p> <p>As an immigration policy analyst, incumbent is required to interpret and apply, in a working environment, the various provisions contained in the INA as they relate to programs administered by the DFCL and possess familiarity with the immigrations functions of the Departments of Homeland Security and State, to include immigration fraud and white collar crime. Performs work of considerable difficulty to include: reviewing court and adjudicatory decisions and translating these findings into staff guidance; drafting position papers and policies, ability to review and interpret immigration-related regulations and pending legislation.</p> <p>Serves as a liaison with federal immigration agencies and interested client groups by answering questions regarding policies, procedures, and regulations. Prepares, reviews, and analyzes impact statements; and researches, drafts and/or reviews congressional responses prepared on behalf of the DFCL.</p> <p>Reviews and prepares policy recommendations and analyses of existing and proposed federal legislation and regulations.</p> <p>Advises DFCL Chief and other senior officials on policy implications of proposed regulations or legislation, both those which affect DFCL programs and from other immigration-related agencies. Reviews, summarizes, and drafts responses to all public comments received on proposed regulations. Reviews petitions raising issues pertaining to DFCL and prepares replies to correspondence from the regulated community and other interested persons. Represents FLC on regulatory issues, and makes presentations at conferences and professional meetings before regulatory bodies.</p> <p>Position functions as a single position within the DFCL and execution of these duties requires the incumbent to develop and maintain effective working relationships with a diverse audience to include high-ranking officials at the regulatory agencies, other immigration-related Federal agencies, and the stakeholder community.</p>
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Qualification Requirements: (Applicants must meet qualification, legal, and regulatory requirements for the position by closing date of this vacancy announcement.)

Applicants must have one year (52 weeks) of specialized experience equivalent to the next lower grade level, GS-12, in the Federal service. Specialized experience is experience which has equipped the applicant with the particular knowledge, skills and abilities to successfully perform the duties of the position to be filled, such as, working with the immigrations functions of the Departments of Homeland Security and State, including immigration fraud and white collar crime and interpreting and applying provisions contained in the INA, as they relate to programs administered by the DFLLC.

*ICTAP (Interagency Career Transition Assistance Program candidates): Applicants applying for special selection priority under 5 CFR Part 330 Subparts C or G (ICTAP), must be well qualified and submit proof of eligibility, i.e., RIF separation notice, certificate of expected separation, or other agency certification that you are in a surplus occupation; submit the last or current performance rating of record of at least fully successful or equivalent; apply for a vacancy at or below the grade level from which separated; file an application for a specific vacancy within the time frame indicated in the announcement; and be well qualified for the position. If separated through compensable injury or disability, no performance rating is required. Well qualified is defined as: A rating of at least Good on evaluation factors designed as High (H).

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT

The following statements apply if checked:

<input type="checkbox"/> Requires a security clearance	<input type="checkbox"/> Requires a valid drivers license
<input type="checkbox"/> Requires a medical examination	<input type="checkbox"/> Subject to geographic mobility
<input type="checkbox"/> Subject to financial disclosure requirements	<input type="checkbox"/> Subject to drug test prior to appointment
<input type="checkbox"/> Requires a supervisory/managerial probationary period if the requirement has not been met	<input type="checkbox"/> Subject to receipt of an official college transcript if qualification was based solely on education or a combination of education and experience.
<input type="checkbox"/> Subject to frequent overtime	
<input type="checkbox"/> Subject to frequent travel	

METHOD OF EVALUATION

Applicants meeting the minimum qualification requirements for this position may be further evaluated against other job related factors to determine who will be referred to the selecting official. The rating and ranking of candidates to determine the best qualified will be accomplished by comparing the candidate's knowledge, skills and abilities against those of other eligible candidates for each of the evaluation factors. The most important factors will be designated by the letter (H), indicating high. These factors are essential to the successful performance of the duties of the position. The candidate's experience, training, awards and performance appraisal will be considered in the evaluation process. It is the responsibility of the applicant to provide all of the information needed by the closing date of this announcement. Current and/or past supervisors may be contacted unless specified otherwise. Applicants may be interviewed by a panel and/or the selecting official or his/her designee.

In addition to meeting the minimum qualifications and eligibility requirements for special priority consideration, ICTAP candidates must meet the desired level of performance as indicated by the knowledge, skills, and abilities and be rated well qualified. Well qualified is defined as a rating of at least Good on evaluation factors designed as High (H).

IT IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED THAT ALL APPLICANTS ADDRESS EACH OF THE EVALUATION FACTORS LISTED BELOW. FAILURE TO ADDRESS THESE EVALUATION FACTORS MAY IMPACT YOUR FINAL RATING OR RANKING.

EVALUATION FACTORS: To be considered Highly Qualified (HQ), applicants need to receive a rating of "High" (H) in all factors listed below. For ICTAP eligibles to be considered well qualified, they must receive a rating of High (H) in factors 1, 2, 4, and 5, and a rating of Medium (M) in factor 3.

- 1. Demonstrated knowledge of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) and related regulations and policies within Federal agencies.***
- 2. Demonstrated ability to interpret and apply complex laws such as Immigration and Nationality Act. (High)***
- 3. Demonstrated communication skill, both orally and in writing, particularly those of a written nature where complex materials must be reviewed and subsequently conveyed to a non-technical or legal audience. (High) (M) for ICTAP Candidates***
- 4. Work experience with immigration programs such as Foreign Labor Certification Programs. (High)***
- 5. Demonstrated ability to work independently, develop work plans, establish clear priorities, provide direction, track work progress, and meet deadlines. (High)***

HOW TO APPLY

You may submit an Optional Application for Federal Employment (OF-612), a resume **or** any other written format, including a Standard Form (SF) 171, you choose. Certain information is needed in order to evaluate your qualifications for the job, therefore, your application **must** contain the following information:

- Vacancy announcement number, title, series, grade for the job for which you are applying
- Full legal name and mailing address
- Social Security Number (SSN)
- Country of Citizenship – **MUST BE U.S. CITIZEN**
- Veterans Preference
- Daytime and evening telephone numbers
- For experiences most relevant to the position, include name of employer, dates of employment, job title, start and end dates, a description of your duties and responsibilities and hours worked per week for each job listed
- Title, series and grade and dates of highest Federal civilian position held
- For education, include name, city, and state of high school and colleges/universities attended as well as date of diploma or GED. Also include type and year of any degrees received and majors. If no degree, include total credits earned and indicate whether semester or quarter hours. Do not send transcripts unless checked below.
- To receive credit for relevant training, list seminar/course titles, dates, number of hours and name of the institutions from which training was received.
- Description of honors, awards, and special qualifications such as language skills, computer skills along with dates acquired, if relevant to position.
- If applying for reinstatement or transfer, attach a copy of the appropriate SF-50, Notification of Personnel Action, which confirms your status.

The following material is required if checked:

- Most recent supervisory performance appraisal **or** a statement with reasons why you do not have a supervisory appraisal is required for all applicants.
- SF-50, Notification of Personnel Action (Required for all current or former federal applicants).
- College transcript (Required if qualifying based solely on education or a combination of education and experience).
- Other: DD-214 and/or SF-15 for VETERANS
- Other: ICTAP Letter for ICTAP Eligibles
- Please complete and submit the attached Applicant Background Questionnaire, OMB No. 1225-0072, with your application. Submission of this form is optional. Data collected will be used only in aggregate, to assess the effectiveness of outreach efforts. Consideration for this job will not be affected by failure to submit this form. **We will acknowledge receipt of your application, if it is accompanied with this form.**

Mail your application to, or secure forms or information from:

U.S. Department of Labor
Employment and Training Administration
Office of Human Resources
200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room N-4656
Washington, DC 20210
Attn: Shelley DeCrane
Commercial: (202) 693-3922
Fax: (202) 693-3734
TTY: (202) 693-3924

The area of consideration for this position is limited to All Eligible Candidates and *ICTAP Eligibles Within the Local Commuting Area.

This position is Inside of the Bargaining Unit – Local 12.

An incomplete application package may result in your being considered ineligible. To receive consideration for this opportunity, your complete application must be in the Office of Human Resources or be postmarked by the closing date of this announcement.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO APPLICANTS

All qualified candidates will receive consideration for this position without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, disability, political affiliation, labor organization affiliation, marital status, sexual orientation, or other non-merit factors.

The Department of Labor welcomes and encourages applications from persons with physical and mental disabilities and will reasonably accommodate the needs of those persons.

- Use of postage paid government agency envelopes to file job applications is a violation of Federal law and regulation.
- If the position is announced with promotion potential, the incumbent may be promoted without further competition upon meeting all legal regulatory requirements. However, promotion is not guaranteed and no promise is implied.
- Travel and relocation costs will be paid for employees of the Department for promotion. Other moves are payable if relocation is determined to be in the best interest of the government.
- Selection for this position may be made as a result of this announcement or by any other appropriate means including reassignment, reinstatement, new appointment, transfer or change to lower grade.
- Special Note to Outside Applicants: Male applicants between the ages of 18 and 25 are eligible for appointment only after registering with the Selective Service System.

VETERANS' PREFERENCE: If you served on active duty in the U.S. Military and were separated under honorable conditions, you may be eligible for veterans' preference. To receive preference, if your service began after October 15, 1976, you must have a Campaign Badge, Expeditionary Medal, service connected disability, or you must have served on active duty during the Gulf War from August 2, 1990 through January 2, 1992.

* To claim 5-point preference, **attach a copy of your DD-214**, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty, or other proof of eligibility.

* To claim 10-point preference, **attach an SF-15**, Application for 10-point Veterans' Preference, plus proof required by that form.

The Government Reform Act of 1994 mandates that all Federal employees who are hired after January 1, 1995 must receive their salary via-Direct Deposit/Electronic Fund Transfer or must request a waiver.

WHY WORK FOR US: As a permanent or long term temporary employee with the Department of Labor, you will be entitled to a wide array of benefits. The Federal Employees Health Benefits program has many plans to choose from; all at very reasonable rates which can be paid from pre-tax income. The Federal Employee Retirement System is one of the premier retirement programs in the nation. This program features three components: a retirement pension; the Thrift Savings Plan (an employee controlled investment program); and social security. Federal Employee Group Life Insurance offers numerous life insurance policy options covering employees, spouses and dependents. The leave program offers exceptional time off benefits including annual leave, sick leave, an employee leave share program, Family Friendly Leave, Family Medical Leave, and 10 paid holidays per year. The Child Care Subsidy Program provides financial assistance to make child care more affordable for qualifying employees. Employee Assistance Programs provide confidential counseling and referral services to employees and their family members at no cost as well as periodic seminars on behavioral health issues. You may also be entitled to career development and enrichment training. As an employee of the Employment and Training Administration you will enjoy additional benefits such as the Transportation Subsidy Program (vanpool, commuter vehicle), a pre-tax payroll deduction benefit; and Family Friendly Policies such as alternative work schedules. There are a variety of other services provided such as a cafeteria, Fitness Center, Health Unit, on-site childcare center; credit union, recreation association and store, dry cleaners, and U.S. postal services.

DELEGATED EXAMINING AUTHORIZATION NO. DL-1. Competitive examining authority has been delegated to the Department of Labor by the Office of Personnel Management. Non-status applications will be forwarded to the Delegated Examining Unit for rating, ranking and referral.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR APPLICANT BACKGROUND QUESTIONNAIRE

OMB No. 1225-0072
(Exp. 4-30-2002)

FORM APPROVED

The U.S. Department of Labor is requesting your completion of this form to assist the agency in evaluating and improving its efforts to publicize job openings and to encourage applications for employment from a diverse group of qualified candidates, including minorities and persons with disabilities. The Department will use the data you supply to determine how many applicants are from different groups and how many of these applicants are qualified for the job in question. The Department will then assess the effectiveness of specific outreach efforts and means of communicating information on job vacancies in light of this information.

EFFECTS OF NONDISCLOSURE: Providing the information requested on this form is voluntary. This information will have no effect on hiring decisions.

Persons are not required to respond to this collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Information provided on this form will be used for program evaluation. Personal identifying information will not be included in the tabulation of data in the DOL database.

The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 5 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to the U.S. Department of Labor, Human Resource Services Center, FPB, Washington, D.C. 20210; and the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project, Washington, D.C. 20503.

Solicitation of this information is in accordance with 5 CFR Section 720, Federal Equal Opportunity Recruitment Program (FEORP).

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:

Name: _____

Do you have a Disability? Yes No

If You checked Yes above, is your disability one of the

targeted disabilities listed below? Yes No

Blind

Deaf

Missing Extremity(s)

Partial Paralysis

Complete Paralysis

Convulsive Disorder

Mental Retardation

Mental Illness

Genetic or physical condition affecting limbs or spine

Sex: Male Female

Title, Grade, and Announcement Number Of Position for which applying: _____

ETHNIC SELF-IDENTIFICATION

Are you Hispanic, Latino, or of Spanish Origin? (Definition: A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other

Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.) Yes No

RACE SELF-IDENTIFICATION

Please read the descriptions, then mark one or more races to indicate what you consider yourself to be.

American Indian or Alaska Native --- A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America), and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment.

Asian --- A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam.

Black or African American --- A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.

Native Hawaiian or --- A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.

Other Pacific Islander

White --- A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION ABOUT THIS VACANCY: (Check all that apply)

- 1. Magazine
- 2. Newspaper
- 3. Radio/Television Broadcast
- 4. Agency Personnel Office
- 5. State Employment Office
- 6. Government Recruitment at School
- 7. Federal, State, or Local Job Info. Center
- 8. Friend or Relative Working for the Agency
- 9. Internet
- 10. Federal/DOL Jobsline
- 11. Other