



THE CITY OF NEW YORK  
DEPARTMENT OF CITYWIDE  
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES  
APPLICATION UNIT  
1 CENTRE STREET, 14<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR  
NEW YORK, NY 10007

**REQUIRED FORMS**

APPLICATION FORM  
EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE  
TEST PAPER  
FOREIGN EDUCATION  
FACT SHEET  
(IF APPLICABLE)

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**NOTICE  
OF  
EXAMINATION**

**ECONOMIST**

**Exam. No. 0115**

**WHEN TO APPLY:** From: April 7, 2010  
To: April 27, 2010

**APPLICATION FEE: \$40.00**  
Payable by mail by money order to DCAS (EXAMS)  
or payable online by credit card, bank card, or debit  
card.

**WHAT THE JOB INVOLVES:** Economists, under supervision, with latitude for independent or unreviewed action or decision, perform economic or fiscal research and studies. All Economists perform related work.

(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 \$38,303 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, there are two ways to apply for this examination:

- 1. Online at the DCAS Website:** If you wish to apply online, go to the DCAS Online Application System (OASys) at [www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs](http://www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs) and follow the onscreen application instructions for electronically submitting your application and payment, and completing any required forms. The following methods of payment are acceptable: major credit card, bank card associated with a bank account, or prepaid debit card which you may purchase online or at various retail outlets.
- 2. By mail:** Refer to the "Required Forms" section below for the forms that you must fill out. Return all completed forms and the application fee to DCAS Application Unit, 1 Centre Street, 14th floor, New York, NY 10007.

DCAS will not accept applications in person from candidates.

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.

**Special Circumstances Form:** This form is included in the application package and located online at the above DCAS website. This form 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 form that pertain to you when you complete your "Application for Examination."

**HOW TO QUALIFY:**

**Education and Experience Requirements:** Please see Note, below:

- (1)** A master's degree in economics or a closely-related field such as statistics, finance, management, business administration, public administration or public policy from an accredited college or university, accredited by 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); or
- (2)** A baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university, accredited by 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), including or supplemented by 12 semester credits in economics, and an additional 12 semester credits in one or more of the following course areas: economics, finance, statistics, management, mathematics, business administration, public administration, or public policy, and one year of satisfactory full-time experience in any one or more of the following fields: finance; economic, fiscal or statistical research; policy analysis; or quantitative, business, market or financial analysis.

Graduate semester credits in any of the course areas described in (1) above may be substituted for the undergraduate semester credits described in (2) above, on the basis that each 3 graduate semester credits may be substituted for 6 of the required undergraduate semester credits.

**Note:** The work experience requirement must be met by the last day of the application period, April 27, 2010. However, the last day for meeting the degree requirement is June 30, 2010.

**READ CAREFULLY AND SAVE FOR FUTURE REFERENCE**

**Residency Requirement Advisory:** Under New York City Administrative Code Section 12-120, you might need to be a resident of the City of New York within 90 days of the date you are appointed to this position. Since residency requirements vary by title, appointing agency and length of service, consult the **appointing agency's personnel office** at the time of the appointment interview to find out if City residency is required.

**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.

**REQUIRED FORMS:**

- 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:** Fill out **Sections A.1 (if applicable), A.4, A.5, A.6, 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. **If you are applying by mail,** 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. **If you are applying online,** follow the online instructions.
- 3. Foreign Education Fact Sheet (Required only 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. **Note:** If you intend to qualify with a Master's degree under Item (1) of the **Education and Experience Requirements** on Page 1, ask the evaluation service for a "document-by-document" evaluation of your foreign education. If you intend to qualify under Item (2) with a Baccalaureate degree, ask for a "course-by-course" evaluation (which includes a "document-by-document" evaluation). 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:** Your score will be determined by an education and experience test. You will receive a score of 70 points for meeting the education and experience requirements listed on Page 1. After these requirements are met, you will receive credit up to a maximum of 100 points on the following basis:

**Additional Credit:**

For full-time satisfactory experience as an economist working in any one or more of the following fields: finance; economic, fiscal or statistical research; policy analysis; or quantitative, business, market or financial analysis, you will receive:

- (A) 5 points for at least 6 months but less than 1 year of experience; or
- (B) 10 points for at least 1 year but less than 2 years of experience; or
- (C) 20 points for at least 2 years but less than 3 years of experience; or
- (D) 30 points for 3 or more years of experience.

You will receive a maximum of one year of experience credit for each year you worked. If you have any of the above experience on a part-time basis, it will be credited according to the equivalent percent of full-time experience. Each year of experience will be credited under only one category which will be the highest appropriate category. **Experience used to meet the minimum requirements cannot be used to gain additional credit.**

Experience must be obtained by the last day of the application period.

**THE TEST RESULTS:** If you pass the education and experience test, your name will be placed in final 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:**

**Application Receipt:** If you applied online, you will be emailed a receipt immediately after you have applied for the examination. If you do not receive this receipt, contact this agency at [OASys@dcas.nyc.gov](mailto:OASys@dcas.nyc.gov). Include your social security number and the examination number and title in your email. If you applied by mail, 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.

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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 Application Unit of the Division of Citywide Personnel Services, 1 Centre Street, 14<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10007.

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Internet: [nyc.gov/dcas](http://nyc.gov/dcas)