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**Location:** OTTAWA, CANADA

**ECONOMIC SPECIALIST (TRAINING LEVEL)  
VACANCY NUMBER: 11-37**

Wednesday, August 10, 2011

This Vacancy is **Open**

**OPEN TO:** All Interested Candidates

\*Applicants who responded to Vacancy Announcement 11-27 need not reapply as their applications will be considered if the minimum requirements are met.\*

**POSITION:** Economic Specialist **Grade:** FSN-11  
\*FP-4

**OPENING DATE:** Wednesday, August 10, 2011

**CLOSING DATE:** Wednesday, August 17, 2011

**WORK HOURS:** Full time; 40 hours per week

**SALARY:** Ordinarily Resident: FSN-11 CDN \$68,431  
\*Not Ordinarily Resident: FP-4

**LENGTH OF HIRE:** PSA/FMA

**NOTE:** SALARY MAY VARY DEPENDING ON THE QUALIFICATIONS OF THE SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATE.

ONLY CANDIDATES SELECTED FOR AN INTERVIEW WILL BE CONTACTED.

ALL ORDINARILY RESIDENT APPLICANTS MUST HAVE CANADIAN CITIZENSHIP OR HAVE THE REQUIRED WORK AND/OR RESIDENCE PERMITS TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION.

The U.S. Embassy in OTTAWA is seeking an individual for employment in CANADA for the position of Economic Specialist in the Economic Section.

**BASIC FUNCTION OF POSITION**

The incumbent provides advice to Mission Canada and to Washington departments and agencies, on Canadian economic policies and institutions and on bilateral economic issues. The incumbent will provide economic and political analysis of developments affecting U.S. interests and cultivate contacts in the Government of Canada, Canadian industry, academic institutions and non-governmental organizations. The incumbent will also assist the Embassy during high level visits.

## QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED

**NOTE: All applicants must address each of the six required qualifications detailed below with specific and comprehensive information supporting each item.**

- 1. Education:** Graduate Degree in Social Sciences, Economics or Liberal Arts or a Masters Degree in Business Administration is required. Please submit a copy of the required educational credentials with your application.
- 2. Experience:** Minimum five years progressively responsible experience in policy analysis or economic research and analysis, is required.
- 3. Language:** Level IV (fluent) speaking/reading/writing English is required.
- 4. Knowledge:** Incumbent must understand Canada's policy-making processes and structures, especially with regard to trade, finance, economic, energy and environmental issues, as well as understand Canada's industrial structure.
- 5. Skills and Abilities:** Incumbent must have proven analytical skills and abilities to critically assess and interpret the broad array of analyses and commentary pertaining to the Canadian economic sphere, have the ability to add balance, insight and explanation of relevance to the U.S. Government, and have the technological skill and ability to provide this information in written and presentation-ready format.
- 6. Interpersonal Skills:** Incumbent must be able to initiate, cultivate and maintain high-level contacts on behalf of the Embassy, and interact with policy-makers and high-level officials during meetings and visits.

## SELECTION PROCESS

When equally qualified, U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Members (USEFMs), and U.S. Veterans will be given preference. Preference Candidates should clearly identify themselves in the subject line. It is also essential that candidates address the required qualifications above in the application.

## ADDITIONAL SELECTION CRITERIA

1. Management will consider nepotism/conflict of interest, budget, and residency status in determining successful candidacy.
2. Current employees serving a probationary period are not eligible to apply.
3. Current Ordinarily Resident employees with an Overall Summary Rating of Needs Improvement or Unsatisfactory on their most recent Employee Performance Report are not eligible to apply.
4. Currently employed U.S. Citizen EFMs who hold a Family Member Appointment (FMA) are ineligible to apply for advertised positions within the first 90 calendar days of their employment.
5. Currently employed NORs hired under a Personal Services Agreement (PSA) are ineligible to apply for advertised positions within the first 90 calendar days of their employment, unless currently hired into a position with a When Actually Employed (WAE) work schedule.
6. Candidates must be able to obtain and hold a security clearance for this position and pass a medical examination.

7. Testing may be conducted to ensure eligibility levels for specified skills and abilities are met.

#### **TO APPLY**

Resumes alone will not be accepted. It is a requirement that applicants provide the following:

The Vacancy Number and Position Title that candidates are applying for;

A cover letter addressing each of the six required qualifications detailed in the vacancy announcement by identifying them and addressing how the candidate meets that requirement;

The DS-174 Universal Application Form (UAF); and

Any other documentation (e.g. educational credentials) that is required in the vacancy announcement.

\*Candidates who are claiming U.S. Veteran preference must provide a copy of their Form DD-214 with their application.\*

**SUBMIT APPLICATION TO:** Human Resources Office  
U.S. Embassy  
P. O. Box: 866, Station: B  
Ottawa ON K1P 5T1

You may also e-mail the Applications to:  
(ottawahr@state.gov) and Reference Job Announcement number.

**POINT OF CONTACT:** Lynn Merry  
Phone: (613) 688-5483

#### **DEFINITIONS**

I. U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Member (USEFM) - For purposes of receiving a preference in hiring for a qualified position, an EFM who meets the following criteria:

- U.S. Citizen; and,
- EFM (see below) at least 18 years of age; and,
- Listed on the travel orders of a direct-hire Foreign, Civil, or uniformed service member assigned to or stationed abroad with a USG Agency that is under COM authority, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; and either:
  1. Resides at the sponsoring employee's or uniformed service member's post of assignment abroad or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; or
  2. Resides at an Involuntary Separate Maintenance Allowance (ISMA) location authorized under 3 FAM3232.2.

II. EFM: An individual related to a U.S. Government employee in one of the following ways:

- Spouse or same-sex Domestic Partner (as defined in (3 FAM 1610);
- Child, who is unmarried and under 21 years of age or, regardless of age, is incapable of self-support. The term shall include, in addition to natural offspring, step-children and adopted children and those under legal guardianship of the employee or the spouse when such children are expected to be under such legal guardianship until they reach 21 years of age and when dependent upon and normally residing with the guardian;
- Parent (including step-parents and legally adoptive parents) of the employee or of the spouse, when such parent is at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for

support;

- Sister or brother (including step-sisters and step-brothers, or adoptive sisters or brothers) of the employee, or of the spouse, when such sibling is at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support, unmarried, and under 21 years of age, or regardless of age, incapable of self-support.

III. Member of Household (MOH) - An individual who accompanies a direct-hire Foreign, Civil, or uniformed service member permanently assigned or stationed at a U.S. Foreign Service post or establishment abroad, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan. An MOH is:

- Not an EFM; and,
- Not on the travel orders of the sponsoring employee; and,
- Has been officially declared by the sponsoring USG employee to the COM as part of his/her household.

An MOH is under COM authority and may include a parent, unmarried partner, and other relative or adult child who falls outside other Department's current legal and statutory definition of family member. A MOH does not have to be a U.S. Citizen.

IV. Not Ordinarily Resident (NOR) - An individual who:

- Is not a citizen of the host country; and,
- Does not ordinarily reside (OR, see below) in the host country; and,
- Is not subject to host country employment tax laws; and,
- Has a U.S. Social Security Number (SSN).

NOR employees are compensated under a GS or FS salary schedule, not under the LCP.

V. Ordinarily Resident (OR) - A Foreign National or U.S. Citizen who:

- Is locally resident; and,
- Has legal, permanent resident status within the host country; and,
- Is subject to host country employment and tax laws.

EfMs without U.S. Social Security Numbers are also OR. All OR employees, including U.S. Citizens, are compensated in accordance with the Local Compensation Package (LCP).

**CLOSING DATE FOR THIS POSITION: WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17, 2011**

**The U.S. Mission in Canada provides equal opportunity and fair and equitable treatment in employment to all people without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, political affiliation, marital status, or sexual orientation. The Department of State also strives to achieve equal employment opportunity in all personnel operations through continuing diversity enhancement programs.**

**The EEO complaint procedure is not available to individuals who believe they have been denied equal opportunity based upon marital status or political affiliation. Individuals with such complaints should avail themselves of the appropriate grievance procedures, remedies for prohibited personnel practices, and/or courts for relief.**

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