# **Auditor (Financial/Performance)**

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Office of the Inspector General

### Open & closing dates

( ) 03/03/2020 to 03/16/2020

This job will close when we have received **150 applications** which may be sooner than the closing date. Learn more (https://www.usajobs.gov//Help/how-to/jobannouncement/closing-types/#applicant-cut-off)

#### **Service**

Competitive

Pay scale & grade

**GS 13** 

## Appointment type

Permanent - Full-time

## Salary

\$91,231 to \$144,676 per year

### Work schedule

Full-Time

## **Locations**

3 vacancies in the following location:

**Location Negotiable After Selection, United States** 

3 vacancies

### Relocation expenses reimbursed

Telework eligible

No

Yes as determined by agency policy

## This job is open to



## The public

U.S. citizens, nationals or those who owe allegiance to the U.S.

## Clarification from the agency

U.S. citizens or U.S. Nationals; no prior Federal experience is required.

#### Announcement number

DOC-OIG-2020-0021

#### Control number

561536800

## **Duties**

## **Summary**

We are seeking highly motivated professionals to join our team. If you want challenging work and a chance to make a big impact, come join us at the Office of Inspector General for the Department of Commerce! We improve the effectiveness of the Department's programs and operations. We also investigate waste, fraud, and abuse in the Department and those who do business with it.

## Responsibilities

As an Auditor (Financial/Performance), you will:

- Apply an objective analysis and systemic evaluation to provide an independent assessment of the performance of the Acquisition, Grant, and Financial Management organizations within the Department.
- Study and interpret pertinent laws, legislative history, regulations, contracts, and management controls to obtain comprehensive entity information to develop audit objectives, scope and methodology.
- Conduct audits in accordance with generally accepted Government auditing standards (GAGAS) by determining audit procedures to determine the level system reliability and obtaining sufficient reliable evidence through inspection, observation, inquiries, and confirmation to provide a reasonable basis for an opinion regarding the activity under examination.
- Perform detailed testing of records and management controls to determine the degree of compliance, efficiency, economy, and effectiveness of the activity's responsibilities and/or to determine the records tested have been maintained in accordance with applicable regulations.
- Implement the audit design from the planning phase of the audit and prepare detailed working papers to document work accomplished using auditing software in accordance with auditing standards.

#### Travel Required

25% or less - One to five days per month.

#### Supervisory status

**Promotion Potential** 

No

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Job family (Series)

0511 Auditing

(https://www.usajobs.gov//Search/?j=0511)

## Requirements

### **Conditions Of Employment**

- Please refer to "Conditions of Employment."
- Click "Print Preview" to review the entire announcement before applying.
- Must be U.S. Citizens or U.S. Nationals

This opportunity is also open to <u>Status eligibles</u> (http://www.treasury.gov/careers/Pages/StatusEligible.aspx)

under Announcement **DOC-OIG-2020-0020**. Please refer to that announcement for details on open period, eligibility, and how to apply.

The experience may have been gained in either the public, private sector or <u>volunteer service</u> (<a href="https://arc.fiscal.treasury.gov/vacancies/fsresumetips.pdf">https://arc.fiscal.treasury.gov/vacancies/fsresumetips.pdf</a>)

. One year of experience refers to full-time work; part-time work is considered on a prorated basis. To ensure full credit for your work experience, please indicate dates of employment by month/day/year, and indicate number of hours worked per week on your resume.

#### Qualifications

You must meet the following requirements by the closing date of this announcement.

**Specialized experience:** For the GS-13, you must have one year of specialized experience at a level of difficulty and responsibility equivalent to the GS-12 grade level in the Federal service. Specialized experience includes planning, conducting, and documenting results of audits or evaluation projects in accordance with applicable standards and provide recommendations. Examples of such experience may include:

- Organizing audit or evaluation activities and reviewing work of junior staff ensuring it is sufficient, competent, and includes relevant evidence to support findings; OR
- Conducting interviews or conferences with stakeholders to gather information for audits or evaluations; OR
- Preparing and presenting audits or evaluation reports and briefings that address major management issues.

#### **Education**

Successful completion of a full 4-year course of study in an accredited college or university leading to a bachelor's or higher degree in accounting or in a related field such as business administration, finance, or public administration that included or was supplemented by 24 semester hours in accounting. The 24 hours may include up to 6 hours of credit in business law. OR Combination of education and experience: at least 4 years of experience in accounting, or an equivalent combination of accounting experience, college-level education, and training that provided professional accounting knowledge. The applicant's background must also include one of the following:

1.Twenty-four semester hours in accounting or auditing courses of appropriate type and quality. This can include up to 6 hours of business law; 2.A certificate as Certified Public Accountant or a Certified Internal Auditor, obtained through written examination; or 3.Completion of the requirements for a degree that included substantial course work in accounting or auditing, e.g., 15 semester hours, but that does not fully satisfy the 24-semester-hour requirement of paragraph A, provided that (a) the applicant has successfully worked at the full-performance level in accounting, auditing, or a related field, e.g., valuation engineering or financial institution examining; (b) a panel of at least two higher level professional accountants or auditors has determined that the applicant has demonstrated a good knowledge of accounting and of related and underlying fields that equals in breadth, depth, currency, and level of advancement that which is normally associated with successful completion of the 4-year course of study described in paragraph A; and (c) except for literal nonconformance to the requirement of 24 semester hours in accounting, the applicant's education, training, and experience fully meet the specified requirements.

The education generally must be from an accredited (or pre-accredited) college or university recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

#### Additional information

- We may select from this announcement or any other source to fill one or more vacancies.
- This is a non-bargaining unit position.
- We offer opportunities for telework.
- We offer opportunities for flexible work schedules.

#### **CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT:**

- A one year probationary period may be required.
- Must successfully complete a background investigation.
- Complete a Declaration for Federal Employment to determine your suitability for Federal employment, at the time requested by the agency
- If you are a male applicant born after December 31, 1959, certify that you have registered with the Selective Service System or are exempt from having to do so.
- Have your salary sent to a financial institution of your choice by Direct Deposit/Electronic Funds Transfer.
- Go through a Personal Identity Verification (PIV) process that requires two forms of identification from the Form I-9. Federal law requires verification of the identity and employment eligibility of all new hires in the U.S.
- Submit to a drug test prior to your appointment and random drug testing while you occupy the position.
- Obtain and use a Government-issued charge card for business-related travel.
- Secret Background Investigation will be required.

#### How You Will Be Evaluated

Your application includes your resume, responses to the online questions, and required supporting documents. Please be sure that your resume includes detailed information to support your qualifications for this position; failure to provide sufficient evidence in your resume may result in a "not qualified" determination.

Rating: Your application will be evaluated in the following areas: Technical, Analytical, and Communication. Category rating will be used to rank and select eligible candidates. If qualified, you will be assigned to one of three quality level categories, A, B, or C depending on your responses to the online questions, regarding your experience, education, and training related to this position. Your rating may be lowered if your responses to the online questions are not supported by the education and/or experience described in your application.

Veterans' preference is applied after applicants are assessed. Preference-eligibles will be listed at the top of their assigned category and considered before non-preference-eligibles in that category.

**Referral**: If you are among the top qualified candidates, your application may be referred to a selecting official for consideration. As part of the assessment and selection process, the selecting official may invite you to participate in a structured interview and provide a writing sample or written assessment/exercise to further evaluate your qualifications for this position. References may also be checked after all assessment materials are reviewed.

If you are a displaced or surplus Federal employee (eligible for the <u>Career Transition Assistance Plan (CTAP)/Interagency Career Transition Assistance Plan (ICTAP)</u>

(https://home.treasury.gov/about/careers-at-treasury/how-to-apply/career-transition-assistance-plan-ctap-and-interagency) ) you must be assigned the middle category or better to be rated as "well qualified" to receive special selection priority.

#### To preview questions please click here

(https://careerconnector.jobs.treas.gov/doc/vacancy/previewVacancyQuestions.hms?orgId=124&jnum=132914)

### Background checks and security clearance

### Security clearance

Drug test required

<u>Secret</u> Yes

(https://www.usajobs.gov//Help/faq/job-announcement/security-clearances/)

## **Required Documents**

A complete application includes 1. A resume, 2. Vacancy question responses, and 3. Submission of any required documents. Please note that if you do not provide all required information, as specified in this announcement, you may not be considered for this position (or may not receive the special consideration for which you may be eligible).

It is anticipated that there will be significant interest in the announcement. As a result, the announcement will close at 11:59 p.m. ET on the date of receipt of the **150TH** application or at 11:59 p.m. ET on **3/16/20**; whichever occurs first. Any required documents should be submitted at the time that you apply as documents will not be accepted after the vacancy closes.

All applicants are required to submit a resume either by creating one in USAJOBS or uploading one of their own choosing. (Cover letters are optional.) To receive full credit for relevant experience, please list the month/date/year and number of hours worked for experience listed on your resume. We suggest that you preview the online questions, as you may need to customize your resume to ensure that it supports your responses to these questions. Please view resume tips (https://arc.fiscal.treasury.gov/vacancies/fsresumetips.pdf)

**VETERANS' PREFERENCE DOCUMENTATION:** If you are claiming veterans' preference, please see <u>applicant guide for required documentation</u>

(https://arc.fiscal.treasury.gov/vacancies/fsApplicantGuideDelegatedExamining.pdf)

. In order to be considered for veterans preference, you must submit all required documentation as outlined in the applicant guide.

CAREER TRANSITION ASSISTANCE PLAN (CTAP) OR INTERAGENCY CAREER TRANSITION ASSISTANCE PLAN (ICTAP) DOCUMENTATION: If you are a displaced or surplus Federal employee, click CTAP/ICTAP

(https://home.treasury.gov/about/careers-at-treasury/how-to-apply/career-transition-assistance-plan-ctap-and-interagency) for eligibility and a detailed list of required documents.

**EDUCATION DOCUMENTATION:** You are not required to submit transcripts for this initial phase of the application process. Candidates will be referred for consideration based on their self-certification. If you are selected for a position which has a positive education requirement (as described in the vacancy announcement) and/or you are qualifying solely on your education, you will be required to submit official transcripts verifying your qualifications prior to a job offer being issued.

A college or university degree generally must be from an accredited (or pre-accredited) college or university recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. For a list of schools which meet these criteria, please refer to <a href="Department of Education Accreditation page">Department of Education Accreditation page</a> (<a href="http://ope.ed.gov/accreditation/search.aspx">http://ope.ed.gov/accreditation/search.aspx</a>)

If you are qualifying based on foreign education, you must submit proof of creditability of education as evaluated by a credentialing agency, if you are selected. Refer to the <a href="OPM">OPM instructions</a>
<a href="http://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/classification-qualifications/general-schedule-qualification-policies/#url=General-Policies">OPM instructions</a>
<a href="http://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/classification-qualifications/general-schedule-qualification-policies/#url=General-Policies">OPM instructions</a>
<a href="http://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/classification-qualifications/general-schedule-qualification-policies/#url=General-Policies">OPM instructions</a>

### If you are relying on your education to meet qualification requirements:

Education must be accredited by an accrediting institution recognized by the U.S. Department of Education in order for it to be credited towards qualifications. Therefore, provide only the attendance and/or degrees from schools accredited by accrediting institutions recognized by the U.S. Department of Education

https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/PrintPreview/561536800

(http://www.ed.gov/admins/finaid/accred/)

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Failure to provide all of the required information as stated in this vacancy announcement may result in an ineligible rating or may affect the overall rating.

## **Benefits**

A career with the U.S. Government provides employees with a comprehensive benefits package. As a federal employee, you and your family will have access to a range of benefits that are designed to make your federal career very rewarding.

- Benefits for federal employees
   (https://www.usa.gov/benefits-for-federal-employees#item-36407)
- Healthcare insurance (https://www.opm.gov/healthcare-insurance/)
- Pay and leave (https://www.usajobs.gov/Help/working-in-government/pay-and-leave/)

*DOCOIG* offers a comprehensive benefits package. Explore the benefits offered to most Federal employees at https://www.usajobs.gov/Help/working-in-government/benefits/.

Additional benefits available are flexible work schedules, transportation subsidy, fitness center, child-care facility, career development with a generous training program, credit union, etc.

Metrobus transit services in Washington, DC, Maryland and Virginia communities, car pools/van pools and more.

https://www.usajobs.gov/Help/working-in-government/benefits/

Eligibility for benefits depends on the type of position you hold and whether your position is full-time, part-time, or intermittent. Contact the hiring agency for more information on the specific benefits offered.

## **How to Apply**

DOCOIG has partnered with the Treasury's Bureau of the Fiscal Service to provide certain personnel services to its organization. Fiscal Service's responsibilities include advertising vacancies, accepting and handling applications, and extending job offers.

The following instructions outline our application process. You must complete this application process and submit any required documents by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time (ET) on the closing date of this announcement. We are available to assist you during business hours (normally 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. ET, Monday - Friday). If applying online poses a hardship, please contact us by noon ET on the announcement's closing date.

DOCOIG provides reasonable accommodation to applicants with disabilities on a case-by-case basis. Please contact us if you require this for any part of the application and hiring process.

**To begin**, either click the "Create a New Account" button and follow the prompts to register or if you previously registered, click the "Apply Online" button and follow the prompts.

You will be re-directed to DOCOIG's CareerConnector system to complete your application process; answer the online questions, and submit all required documents. (To submit supporting documents, click one of the available options; Upload; Fax; or Reuse existing documents. To protect your privacy, we suggest you first remove your SSN). Also, go to "My Account" to view and update your information, as necessary.

To complete, you must click the "Finish" button located at the bottom of the "Application Review" page.

To verify your application is complete, log into your USAJOBS account, select the Application Status link and then select the more information link for this position. The Details page will display the status of your application, the documentation received and processed, and any correspondence the agency has sent related to this application.

To return to an incomplete application, log into your USAJOBS account and click Update Application in the vacancy announcement. You must re-select your resume and/or other documents from your USAJOBS account or your application will be incomplete.

If you are experiencing system issues with your application, please contact the CareerConnector Help Desk at careerconnectorhelp@treasury.gov (mailto:careerconnectorhelp@treasury.gov) and/or the USAJOBS Help Desk (https://my.usajobs.gov/Help/Contact)

For additional information on how to apply, please visit the Partnership for Public Service's Go Government (https://gogovernment.org/?utm\_source=MASTER&utm\_campaign=9c4032cc7d-EMAIL\_CAMPAIGN\_2019\_03\_18\_11\_18\_COPY\_ 01&utm\_medium=email&utm\_term=0\_3aed0f55fc-9c4032cc7d-213491377) website.

## Agency contact information



Applicant Call Center

#### **Phone**

304-480-7300 (tel:304-480-7300)

#### **TDD**

304-480-8725

#### Fax

202-482-3006

#### **Email**

docoiginquiries@fiscal.treasury.gov (mailto:docoiginquiries@fiscal.treasury.gov)

Learn more about this agency (#agency-modal-trigger)

#### **Address**

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL 1401 Constitution Ave. NW Washington, District of Columbia 26106 **United States** 

\*\*\*There is a total of 3 vacancies and they may be filled in any of the following duty locations: Washington, DC; Atlanta, GA; Denver, CO; or Seattle, WA.\*\*\*

Come work for the Office of Inspector General for the U.S. Department of Commerce! Commerce works with businesses, universities, communities, and the Nation's workers to promote job creation, economic growth, sustainable development, and improved standards of living for Americans. The Office of Inspector General (OIG) seeks to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of Commerce's programs and operations. The OIG also endeavors to detect and deter waste, fraud, and abuse. Headquartered in Washington, D.C., the OIG has excellent work/life balance programs for its nearly 200 employees—including analysts, auditors, investigators, IT specialists, and attorneys—all dedicated to oversight and improvement of Commerce's programs.

### Next steps

- 1. Login to your USAJOBS account, select the "Applications" section and click on the vacancy you would like to view and have already applied for.
- 2. Under "application status," click "additional application information" and you will be taken to the CareerConnector website where you can check your application status. The "additional application information" link may not be available if your application status says "Unavailable." This indicates that your application is not complete.

If the "additional application information" link is not available and the vacancy is still open, you can click on the job announcement and "Update Application" to be taken back to the CareerConnector portion of the application.

Please notify us if your contact information changes after the closing date of the announcement. Also, note that if you provide an email address that is inaccurate or if your mailbox is full or blocked (e.g., spam-blocker), you may not receive important communication that could affect your consideration for this position.

## Fair & Transparent

The Federal hiring process is setup to be fair and transparent. Please read the following guidance.

## **Equal Employment Opportunity Policy**

The United States Government does not discriminate in employment on the basis of race, color, religion, sex (including pregnancy And gender identity), national origin, political affiliation, sexual orientation, marital status, disability, genetic information, age, membership in an employee organization, retaliation, parental status, military service, or other non-merit factor.

 Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) for federal employees & job applicants (https://www.eeoc.gov/federal/fed\_employees/index.cfm)

## **Reasonable Accommodation Policy**

Federal agencies must provide reasonable accommodation to applicants with disabilities where appropriate. Applicants requiring reasonable accommodation for any part of the application process should follow the instructions in the job opportunity announcement. For any part of the remaining hiring process, applicants should contact the hiring agency directly. Determinations on requests for reasonable accommodation will be made on a case-by-case basis.

A reasonable accommodation is any change to a job, the work environment, or the way things are usually done that enables an individual with a disability to apply for a job, perform job duties or receive equal access to job benefits.

Under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, federal agencies must provide reasonable accommodations when:

- An applicant with a disability needs an accommodation to have an equal opportunity to apply for a job.
- An employee with a disability needs an accommodation to perform the essential job duties or to gain access to the workplace.
- An employee with a disability needs an accommodation to receive equal access to benefits, such as details, training, and office-sponsored events.

You can request a reasonable accommodation at any time during the application or hiring process or while on the job. Requests are considered on a case-by-case basis.

Learn more about <u>disability employment and reasonable accommodations</u> (https://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/disability-employment/reasonable-accommodations/) or how to contact an agency. (https://www.usajobs.gov//Help/how-to/application/agency/contact/)

## Legal and regulatory guidance

Financial suitability

(https://www.usajobs.gov//Help/working-in-government/fair-and-transparent/financial-suitability/)

Privacy Act

(https://www.usajobs.gov//Help/working-in-government/fair-and-transparent/privacy-act/)

Selective Service

(https://www.usajobs.gov//Help/working-in-government/fair-and-transparent/selective-service/)

Social security number request

(https://www.usajobs.gov//Help/working-in-government/fair-and-transparent/social-security-number/)

Signature & False statements

(https://www.usajobs.gov//Help/working-in-government/fair-and-transparent/signature-false-statements/)

New employee probationary period

(https://www.usajobs.gov//Help/working-in-government/fair-and-transparent/probationary-period/)