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DEPARTMENT OF CITYWIDE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES  
BUREAU OF EXAMINATIONS

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## NOTICE OF EXAMINATION

### PROMOTION TO ASSOCIATE STAFF ANALYST

Exam No. 9537

**WHEN TO APPLY:** From: June 5, 2019

**APPLICATION FEE:** \$82.00

To: June 25, 2019

If you choose to pay the application fee with a credit/debit/gift card, you will be charged a fee of 2.00% of the payment amount. This fee is nonrefundable.

**THE TEST DATE:** Multiple-choice testing is expected to begin on **Saturday, September 14, 2019.**

**YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR READING THIS ENTIRE NOTICE BEFORE YOU SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION.**

#### WHAT THE JOB INVOLVES:

Associate Staff Analysts, under direction with wide latitude for independent initiative and judgment, in addition to performing the duties of Staff Analyst at a higher level, perform difficult professional work in the preparation and administration of agency budgets and the conduct of economic research and studies; in the preparation and conduct of administrative, procedural and operational studies and analyses concerning the agency's organization and operations; and in personnel administration; and supervise staff performing such work. Associate Staff Analysts utilize computers in the performance of these duties. All Associate Staff Analysts perform related work and during the temporary absence of the supervisor, may perform the supervisor's duties.

(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 \$65,731 per annum. This rate is subject to change.

#### ELIGIBILITY TO TAKE EXAMINATION:

This examination is open to each employee of an agency under the jurisdiction of the Commissioner, Department of Citywide Administrative Services who **on the first date of the multiple-choice test:**

1. holds a permanent (not provisional) competitive appointment or appears on a Preferred List (see Note, below) for the title of Staff Analyst or Labor Relations Analyst; or
2. is employed in the non-competitive title of Confidential Strategy Planner (All Agencies), Senior Health Care Program Planner/Analyst or Senior Management Consultant (HMH); and
3. is not otherwise ineligible.

(Note: A "Preferred List" is a civil service list which is only for certain former permanent employees of the eligible title who have rehiring rights.)

The admission of employees in the title of Labor Relations Analyst is on a collateral basis pursuant to New York Civil Service Law § 52(1), and applies to this examination only. It is not considered a precedent for future examinations.

The admission of employees in the titles of Confidential Strategy Planner (All Agencies), Senior Health Care Program Planner/Analyst and Senior Management Consultant (HMH) is pursuant to New York Civil Service Law § 52(12), and applies to this examination only. It is not to be considered a precedent for future examinations.

This examination is also open to employees who were appointed to an eligible title pursuant to New York State Civil Service Law, section 55-a, and who meet all other eligibility requirements.

If you do not know if you are eligible, check with **your agency's personnel office**. You may be given the test before we verify your eligibility. You are responsible for determining whether or not you meet the eligibility requirements for this examination prior to submitting your application. If it is determined prior to the test date that you are not eligible to participate in this examination, you will not receive an Admission Notice to take the multiple-choice test, you will not be permitted into the test site, and your application fee will not be refunded. If it is determined after the test date that you are not eligible to participate in this examination, your application fee will not be refunded and you will not receive a score.

#### ELIGIBILITY TO BE PROMOTED:

In order to be eligible for promotion from the title of Staff Analyst or Labor Relations Analyst, you must have completed your probationary period in one of these eligible titles, and you must be permanently employed in the eligible title or your name must appear on a Preferred List for the eligible title at the time of promotion. Additionally, at the time of promotion from the eligible titles of Staff Analyst or Labor Relations Analyst, you must have served permanently in one of these eligible titles for at least one year.

**READ CAREFULLY AND SAVE FOR FUTURE REFERENCE**

Employees in the non-competitive title of **Confidential Strategy Planner (All Agencies), Senior Health Care Program Planner/Analyst or Senior Management Consultant (HMH)** must have served at least two years in one of these titles in order to be eligible for promotion, pursuant to Civil Service Law § 52(12).

#### HOW TO APPLY:

If you believe you are eligible to take this examination, apply using the Online Application System (OASys) at [www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs](http://www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs). Follow the onscreen application instructions for electronically submitting your application and payment and completing any required information. A unique and valid email address is required to apply online. Several internet service providers, including but not limited to Google, Yahoo!, AOL, Outlook.com, and Mail.com offer free email addresses. **All new OASys accounts require verification before a candidate can apply to ensure the accuracy of candidate information. Verification is instantaneous for most accounts and you will receive a confirmation email with instruction to activate your account. For any account creation issues, you will receive onscreen prompts to contact DCAS. This review may require up to two (2) business days to be reviewed and resolved. Please keep this information and the application period deadline in mind when creating your account.**

The following methods of payment are acceptable: major credit card, bank card associated with a bank account, or a prepaid debit card with a credit card logo which you may purchase online or at various retail outlets. If you are receiving or participating in certain forms of public assistance/benefits/programs, or are a veteran, you may qualify to have the application fee waived. For more information on eligibility for a fee waiver and documentation requirements visit the Fee Waiver FAQ on the Online Application System at: <https://a856-exams.nyc.gov/OASysWeb/Home/FAQ>.

You may come to the DCAS Computer-based Testing & Applications Centers to apply for this examination online. The centers will be open Monday through Saturday from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM:

#### Manhattan

2 Lafayette Street  
17th Floor  
New York, NY 10007

#### Brooklyn

210 Joralemon Street  
4th Floor  
Brooklyn, NY 11201

#### Queens

118-35 Queens Boulevard  
5th Floor  
Forest Hills, NY 11375

#### Staten Island

135 Canal Street  
3rd Floor  
Staten Island, NY 10304

#### Bronx

1932 Arthur Avenue  
2nd Floor  
Bronx, NY 10457

**Special Circumstances Guide:** This guide is located on the DCAS website at [www.nyc.gov/html/dcas/downloads/pdf/misc/pdf\\_c\\_special\\_circumstances\\_guide.pdf](http://www.nyc.gov/html/dcas/downloads/pdf/misc/pdf_c_special_circumstances_guide.pdf) and available at the DCAS Computer-based Testing & Applications Centers. This guide gives important information about requesting an alternate test date because of religious observance or a special test accommodation for disability, claiming Veterans' or Legacy credit, and notifying DCAS of a change in your mailing address. Follow all instructions on the Special Circumstances Guide that pertain to you when you complete your "Application for Examination."

#### REQUIRED INFORMATION:

**Application for Examination:** Follow the online instructions, including those relating to the payment of fee and, if applicable, those found in the Special Circumstances Guide.

#### THE TEST:

The multiple-choice test may be given at a computer terminal or in a paper and pencil format. You will be informed of the format on your Admission Notice. A score of at least 70% is required to pass this test. Your score on this test will determine 85% of your final score. Your seniority will determine the remaining 15%. You must pass the multiple-choice test to have your seniority credited. Your seniority score will be 70 plus 1/2 point for each three months of completed, continuous service with an agency under the jurisdiction of the Commissioner, Department of Citywide Administrative Services in permanent competitive titles and the following non-competitive class titles:

1. Confidential Strategy Planner (All Agencies),
2. Senior Health Care Program Planner/Analyst, and
3. Senior Management Consultant (HMH)

Your service will be credited through the date of the test, up to a maximum of 15 years. Time served prior to a break in service of more than one year will not be credited.

The multiple-choice test is designed to assess the extent to which candidates have certain abilities determined to be important to the performance of the tasks of an Associate Staff Analyst (ASA). Task areas to be tested are as follows: budget administration, accounting, economic or financial administration, fiscal or economic research and/or fiscal management; procedural, organizational, and operational studies, such as management or methods analysis, program evaluation, economic planning; and personnel administration, such as recruitment, position classification, personnel relations, employee benefits, staff development, etc.

The test may include questions on standards for proper employee ethical conduct, including the provisions of Mayor's Executive Order No. 16 of 1978 as amended, and the use of any of the following abilities:

**Descriptive Statistics** - the ability to apply given statistical formulas, including calculation of means, medians and modes. Example: An ASA may use statistical analyses to prepare fiscal requests, conduct economic studies, and perform management studies and workforce planning.

**Quantitative Analysis and Interpretation** - the ability to analyze, interpret and understand the underlying principles and meaning of numerical data; recognize inconsistencies and errors in reports containing numerical data. May involve making projections. Example: An ASA may analyze and interpret data related to budget development, personnel related management and staffing, and organizational research related data sets, etc.

**Planning and Organizing** - the ability to establish a method of execution to accomplish a specific goal over an extended period of time; determine appropriate assignments and allocation of resources, including the ability to prioritize tasks and objectives based on importance, time constraints, etc. Example: An ASA may prepare budget proposals, determine the need for vendor services, and plan employment or recruitment programs, etc.

**Management of Personnel, Financial, or Material Resources** - for personnel resources, the ability to motivate, develop, and direct people as they work, identify the best people for the job; manage employees needed to accomplish tasks. This also involves determining appropriate assignments and allocation of resources. Example: An ASA may supervise staff of a specific unit, address training needs of staff, and prepare performance evaluations.

**Written Expression** - the ability to appropriately communicate information and ideas in written words and sentences so intended audience will understand. This may involve reviewing and editing correspondence and other written materials. Example: An ASA may prepare expenditure and revenue reports, procedure manuals, test materials, etc.

**Number Facility** - the degree to which adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing can be done quickly and correctly. This can be steps in other operations like finding percentages. This also includes arithmetic reasoning. Example: An ASA may monitor variances between planned and actual expenditures of a budget and determine the percentage change.

Questions based on the above abilities may be concerned with budgeting, procedural, organizational, and operational studies and personnel administration. Certain questions may need to be answered on the basis of documents or other information supplied to the candidates on the date of the multiple-choice exam.

#### **EXAM SITE ADMISSION:**

You will be sent an Admission Notice in the mail 14 days before the date on which testing is expected to begin. Your Admission Notice will also be available on your Dashboard in the Online Application System (OASys) account 7 days before the date on which testing is expected to begin. If you access the Admission Notice from your Dashboard in OASys, you must print it out and bring it with you to the test site. Displaying your Admission Notice using any of the prohibited electronic devices referenced in the "Warning" section below will not be permitted. You can also obtain a duplicate Admission Notice in person Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM at 1 Centre Street, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10007. Test site assignments will take your address into consideration, but nearness to your address cannot be guaranteed.

**Warning:** You are not permitted to enter the test site with electronic devices including, but not limited to, cellular phones, smart watches, recording devices, beepers, pagers, cameras, or portable media players. You are not permitted to use any type of headphones or ear buds. Calculators are permitted; however, they must be hand-held, battery or solar powered, and numeric only. Calculators with functions **other than** addition, subtraction, multiplication and division are prohibited. Electronic devices with an alphabetic keyboard or with word processing or data recording capabilities such as planners, organizers, etc. are prohibited. If you use any of these devices anywhere at any test site, whether in the testing area, restroom, hallway, or other location, at any time before, during or after the test or Protest Review Session, your test score will be nullified, you will be disqualified from taking any civil service tests for up to five years, and your application fee will not be refunded.

You may not have any other person, including children, present with you while you are being processed for or taking the test, and no one may wait for you inside of a Computer-based Testing & Applications Center while you are taking the test.

**Required Identification:** You are required to bring one (1) form of valid (non-expired) signature and photo bearing identification to the test site. The name that was used to apply for the exam must match the first and last name on the photo ID. A list of acceptable identification documents is provided below. **If you do not have an acceptable ID, you may be denied testing.** Acceptable forms of identification (bring one) are as follows: State issued driver's license, City or State issued identification card, IDNYC, US Government issued Passport, US Government issued Military Identification Card, US Government issued Alien Registration Card, Employer ID with photo, or Student ID with photo.

**Leaving:** You must leave the test site once you finish the test. If you leave the test site after being fingerprinted but before finishing the test, you will not be permitted to re-enter. If you disregard this instruction and re-enter the test site, you may not receive your test results, your test score may be nullified, and your application fee will not be refunded.

#### **CHANGE OF MAILING ADDRESS, EMAIL ADDRESS, AND/OR TELEPHONE NUMBER:**

It is critical that you promptly notify DCAS of any change to your mailing address, email address and/or phone number. If we do not have your correct mailing address, email address and/or phone number, you will not receive information about your exam(s), consideration for appointment and/or important information that may require a response by a specified deadline. If you need to update your Mailing Address, Email Address, and/or Telephone Number, read below:

- City Employees - update this information in NYCAPS Employee Service (ESS) at [www.nyc.gov/ess](http://www.nyc.gov/ess)
- All Others - update this information on your Profile page in the Online Application System (OASys) by logging into your OASys account and navigating to your Dashboard, then your Profile tab at [www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs](http://www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs)
- Submit a written request in-person or by mail: DCAS, 1 Centre Street, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10007 or brought in person to the same address Monday through Friday from 9AM to 5PM. Your written request must include your full name, social security number, exam title(s), exam number(s), previous mailing and/or email address, and your new mailing and/or email address

#### **CHANGE OF NAME AND/OR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER:**

Use the Data Correction Form and follow all instructions for changing your name and/or social security number with DCAS. The following link will provide you with the DCAS Data Correction Form: <https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/dcas/downloads/pdf/employment/dp148a.pdf>.

#### **THE TEST RESULTS:**

If you pass the multiple-choice test and are marked eligible, 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. The eligible list determines the order by which candidates will be considered for promotion. If you meet all requirements and conditions, you will be considered for promotion if your name is reached on the eligible list. Once a list has been established, it will typically remain active for four years. To learn more about the civil service system go to: <https://www1.nyc.gov/site/dcas/employment/civil-service-system.page>.

**SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS:**

**Late Filing:**

Consult **your agency's personnel office** to determine the procedure for filing a late application if you meet one or more of the following conditions:

1. You are absent from work for at least one-half of the application period and cannot apply for reasons such as vacation, sick leave or military duty; or
2. You become eligible after the above application period but on or before the date on which multiple-choice testing is expected to begin.

**Make-up Test:**

You may apply for a make-up test if you cannot take the test on the regular test date(s) for any of the following reasons:

1. compulsory attendance before a public body;
2. on-the-job injury or illness caused by municipal employment where you are an officer or employee of the City;
3. absence from the test within one week after the death of a spouse, domestic partner, parent, sibling, child or child of a domestic partner where you are an officer or employee of the City;
4. absence due to ordered military duty;
5. a clear error for which the Department of Citywide Administrative Services or the examining agency is responsible; or
6. a temporary disability, pregnancy-related, or child-birth-related condition preventing you from taking the test.

To request a make-up test, contact Administration, Customer, and Exam Support in person or by mail at 1 Centre Street, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10007, or by email at [testingaccommodations@dcas.nyc.gov](mailto:testingaccommodations@dcas.nyc.gov), as soon as possible, and include documentation of the special circumstances that caused you to miss your test.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

**Application Receipt:**

You will be emailed a receipt immediately after you have applied for the examination. If you do not receive this receipt, check "Junk", "Trash", or "Spam" folder for the primary email linked to your Online Application System (OASys) account. If you are unable to locate the email, you can view a summary of the notification email sent to you on your OASys Dashboard, under the Notifications tab. If you are still unable to find the email, please email DCAS via the Contact feature available in OASys with a description of the issue and include the exam number and your profile number located on your Profile page. While on your Profile page, check that the email addresses you provided are correct and/or updated.

**PENALTY FOR MISREPRESENTATION:**

Any intentional misrepresentation on the application or examination may result in disqualification, even after promotion, and may result in criminal prosecution.

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The General Examination Regulations of the Department of Citywide Administrative Services (DCAS) apply to this examination and are part of this Notice of Examination. They are posted at [nyc.gov/dcas](http://nyc.gov/dcas) and copies are available at the DCAS Computer-based Testing & Applications Centers.

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