

THE MONTHLY UPDATE

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Registration Open NOW through January 30 for the February Foreign Service Officer Test (FSOT):

Ready to take the first step to becoming a Foreign Service Officer? Registration is now open [here](#) through January 30 for the February 8th-15th testing window. Testing can be done online or in person at a PearsonVue testing center. Don't forget to demonstrate [the Dimensions](#) in the Personal Narratives you submit along with your registration – these are as important as the test! Want to learn more about the steps to becoming a Foreign Service Officer? Click [here](#).

Fellowship News

CLOSING THIS MONTH: Foreign Affairs IT (FAIT) Fellowship is still open through January 21, 2025: This merit- and need-based fellowship program is for talented individuals who want to pursue an IT-related undergraduate or graduate degree and serve in the Foreign Service as an IT professional. The two-year program provides academic funding, two paid summer internships, professional development, and mentorship – culminating in an appointment in the Department of State's Foreign Service as a [Diplomatic Technology Officer](#) (DTO). Information about the FAIT Fellowship and how to apply, as well as the DTO career, can be found on the [FAIT Fellowship website](#).

Student Programs News

Rangel Summer Enrichment Program: The [2025 Rangel International Affairs Summer Enrichment Program](#) (SEP) application is **open through February 5, 2025**. SEP is a unique six-week summer program designed to provide undergraduate students from diverse backgrounds with a strong foundation to understand current issues and trends in international affairs, the various career opportunities in international affairs, and the practical skills needed to pursue these careers. The 15 SEP participants live in Howard University dorms, attend classes in economics and U.S. foreign policy, participate in an intensive, non-credit bearing writing seminar, and engage in a multiple activities and site visits with foreign affairs professionals at various locations around DC. Participants receive travel, housing, and a stipend. The program focuses heavily on Foreign Service and Civil Service career opportunities with the Department of State. You can learn more about the upcoming virtual sessions on the Rangel Program events page [here](#).

Coming Soon: The Fall 2025 **Student Internship Program (SIP)** application will open **February 3 – 10, 2025 or until the first 4,000 applications are received**. Learn more about this PAID, 10-week internship program and sign up to receive notification when the application opens: <https://careers.state.gov/interns-fellows/student-internship-program/>.

ONLINE EVENTS:

Wednesday, January 8, 12 noon-1pm Eastern

Information Session on Foreign Service Medical Provider (MP) and Regional Medical Laboratory Scientist (RMLS) Vacancies

Join the Bureau of Medical Services at the U.S. Department of State as we discuss careers as a Foreign Service Medical Provider (MP) and as a Foreign Service Regional Medical Laboratory Scientist (RMLS). We will speak with current practitioners and learn more about the responsibilities of the position, the Foreign Service lifestyle, and the hiring process. This webinar is suitable for Family Nurse Practitioners, Physician Assistant/Associate (PA), and individuals certified as a Medical Laboratory Scientist. For more information on these positions, visit <https://careers.state.gov/career-paths/foreign-service/specialist/medical-and-health/>
Register here: <https://events.careers.state.gov/eventlisting/Eventdetails?folderId=13556>

Thursday, January 9, 7-8pm Eastern

The Fixer: Planning, Executing, and Leading Operations in a Multi-Cultural Environment – The Management Officer

Join 25-year veteran, senior management officer, and current Diplomat in Residence (Rocky Mountains) Denver Herren for an in-depth look at the Management Officer career.

A Management Officer with the U.S. Department of State performs various roles within an embassy's management section, offering a great deal of professional flexibility across the course of one's career. Members of the team work with large, diverse staff, overseeing everything from multi-million-dollar budget formulation, managing Human Resources operations and supply chain logistics to providing and maintaining the information technology and physical facilities vital to our mission. Learn more about this exciting career! **Register here:** <https://events.careers.state.gov/eventlisting/EventDetail?folderId=13565>

Tuesday, January 14, 7-8pm Eastern

Learn about the Foreign Service Officer Test (FSOT) - Informational Webinar

Join us on Tuesday, January 14 at 7pm Eastern to learn more about the Foreign Service Officer Test (FSOT) - the first step to becoming a Foreign Service Officer. What can you expect from the February test (offered February 8-15)? Can you really study for it? Get your questions answered by a team of current Foreign Service Officers.

Register here: <https://events.careers.state.gov/eventlisting/Eventdetails?folderId=13558>

Wednesday, January 15, 12 noon-1pm Eastern

Information Session on Foreign Service Regional Medical Officer and Regional Medical Officer Psychiatrist Vacancies

Join the Bureau of Medical Services at the U.S. Department of State as we discuss careers as a Foreign Service Regional Medical Officer (RMO) and as a Foreign Service Regional Medical Officer/Psychiatrist (RMOP). We will speak with current practitioners and learn more about the responsibilities of the position, the Foreign Service lifestyle, and the hiring process. This webinar is suitable for family, emergency, and internal medicine physicians and for adult psychiatrist or child and adolescent psychiatrists. For more information on these positions, visit <https://careers.state.gov/career-paths/foreign-service/specialist/medical-and-health/>
Register here: <https://events.careers.state.gov/eventlisting/Eventdetails?folderId=13557>

Wednesday, January 15, 6-7 pm Central

DIR Texas Toasts – Internship Edition: A Conversation with Texans in the U.S. Department of State

Join the DIR for Texas for his monthly discussion with Texans doing great things at State! This month will spotlight two students who successfully applied to multiple Department of State student programs, the Virtual Student Federal Service program, the Foreign Service Internship Program and the Student Internship Program. Hear about their internship experiences and get advice for making a strong application for these competitive programs. Speakers are from Texas, but participants from all 50 states and beyond are welcome to register!

Register here: <https://events.careers.state.gov/eventlisting/EventDetail?folderId=13651>

Friday, January 24, 1-2pm Eastern

Monthly Information Session: Opportunities with the U.S. Department of State

General information session that provides an overview of the various career paths, internships, and fellowships with the U.S. Department of State. **Register here:**

<https://events.careers.state.gov/eventlisting/Eventdetails?folderId=13616>

VACANCIES (Foreign and Civil Service)

The Department of State hires talent across a range of specialties and experience. See what is open this month by clicking [here](#).

Opening soon:

[Medical Provider \(MP\)](#) (Family Nurse Practitioner and Physician Assistant)

[Construction Engineer \(CE\)](#)

[Regional Medical Officer \(RMO\)](#)

[Regional Medical Officer – Psychiatry \(RMOP\)](#)

[Regional Medical Laboratory Scientist \(RMLS\)](#)

[Regional English Language Officer \(RELO\)](#)

Vacancies open year-round on a rolling basis:

- [Office Management Specialist](#)
- [Diplomatic Technology Officer](#)
- [Consular Fellows Program](#) (for speakers of Spanish, Portuguese, Mandarin, or Arabic)
- [Diplomatic Security Special Agent](#)

- [Diplomatic Technology Officer](#)
- [Security Engineering Officer](#)
- [Security Technical Specialist](#)

You can review all current foreign and civil service vacancies by clicking the “[Apply Now](#)” on our careers.state.gov website.

Interested in the United Nations?

The Junior Professional Officer (JPO) Program

[IO CAREERS \(state.gov\)](#)

*Get first-hand experience at the **United Nations** as a JPO!*

The JPO Program is part of the U.S. Department of State’s goal to encourage qualified U.S. citizens to explore careers at the United Nations. It is a **two-year development program** for **young professionals** that provides a **pathway to a career at the UN**.

Working at the UN allows for employees to utilize their technical skills and innovative problem solving to **find solutions to complex global issues** such as climate change, humanitarian crises, poverty, human rights, and peacekeeping. **JPO vacancies are offered in various world regions**, such as Bangkok, Geneva, Montreal, Nairobi, New York, Paris, and Rome, with a **competitive salary and benefits** fully funded by the U.S. Department of State.

Eligibility:

Must be a U.S. citizen

Must have a bachelor’s degree with at least five years of relevant work experience or a master’s degree with at least 3 years of relevant work experience

Working proficiency in a 2nd UN language in addition to English (Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian, or Spanish)

Must not be older than 32 years of age as of December 31 of the year of application

For more information: <https://iocareers.state.gov/Content/Public/jpo>

To find employment opportunities with the United Nations:

<https://iocareers.state.gov/Content/Public/jpo>

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