

U.S. Department of Commerce Non-Competitive Job Alert

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JOB ALERT: Department of Commerce is seeking to fill multiple Criminal Investigators positions.

The U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Industry and Security, Office of Export Enforcement is seeking to fill multiple Criminal Investigator, GS-1811 positions throughout the United States.

Relocation support is not authorized.

Organization

The Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) advances U.S. national security, foreign policy, and economic objectives by ensuring an effective export control and treaty compliance system, and by promoting continued U.S. leadership in strategic technologies. BIS accomplishes its mission by maintaining and strengthening adaptable, efficient, effective export controls and treaty compliance systems, along with active leadership and involvement in international export control regimes. BIS's Office of Export Enforcement (OEE) is an elite law enforcement organization recognized for its expertise, professionalism, integrity, and accomplishments. OEE accomplishes its mission through preventative and investigative enforcement activities and then, pursuing appropriate criminal and administrative sanctions against export violators.

Position Description

OEE Special Agents are sworn Federal law enforcement officers with authority to make arrests, execute search warrants, serve subpoenas, and detain and seize goods about to be illegally exported. OEE initiates investigations based on information and intelligence obtained from a variety of sources. OEE conducts investigations to gather testimony and evidence of alleged or suspected violations of dual-use export control laws. OEE works closely with the Department of Justice to impose criminal sanctions for violations, including incarceration and fines, and with the Office of Chief Counsel for Industry and Security to impose civil fines and denials of export privileges. OEE routinely works with other Federal law enforcement agencies, including the FBI and the Department of Homeland Security, when conducting investigations or preventative actions. OEE conducts its enforcement operations worldwide.

General Duties and Responsibilities:

The selected candidate will be responsible for the following duties:

- Receives, develops and evaluates leads, original requests, complaints and allegations from informants, industry, the U.S. Government and other sources.
- Plans for each phase of the investigation.

- Develops an investigative plan designed to obtain essential facts and proof and performs accurate and impartial fact-finding to execute that plan.
- Conducts interviews, interrogations, and examination/procurement of pertinent records both in the U.S. and abroad.
- Conducts investigative activities including surveillance, writing and serving of subpoenas, taking sworn statements, preparing and serving search and arrest warrants, developing and utilizing informants and conducting detentions/seizures of shipments/items.
- Coordinates findings with other law enforcement agencies, other regulatory agencies, the BIS Office of Chief Counsel (OCC), other DOC program areas, and the United States Attorney's Office, as appropriate, in preparation and prosecution of administrative proceedings and/or criminal prosecutions arising from investigations conducted.
- Summarizes and reports all investigative activities efficiently in a clear, logical and impartial manner.

Conditions of Employment:

- You must be a United States Citizen.
- You must be suitable for Federal employment.
- You must be able to obtain and maintain a Top Secret clearance.
- You must be registered for Selective Service, if applicable (www.sss.gov).
- You may be required to serve a 1-year probationary or 2-year trial period.

Other Requirements:

- **FIREARMS QUALIFICATION:** The selectee must qualify with firearms authorized by OEE and participate in a recurring qualification course. The selectee is expected to abide by current OEE policies. The selectee will also arm at specific times as required by the supervisor.
- **FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE:** The selectee must file an initial and annual OGE-450, Confidential Financial Disclosure Report.
- **MANDATORY AGE REQUIREMENT:** Applicants who have not previously held a law enforcement position as defined in 5 USC 8331 are subject to a maximum age (37 years) restriction in filling this position. The maximum entry-age may be waived.
- **LAW ENFORCEMENT RETIREMENT:** Employees who reach age 50 with at least twenty years of creditable service as law enforcement officers are qualified for law enforcement retirement. Employees who reach age 57 with at least 20 years of creditable service as law enforcement officers are subject to mandatory retirement.

- **LAW ENFORCEMENT AVAILABILITY PAY (LEAP):** Selectee is entitled to LEAP at 25% of base pay after successful completion of training.
- **MANDATORY COMPLETION OF BASIC TRAINING:** Selectee must complete or have completed the basic criminal investigator course at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, Glynco, GA (or equivalent training as determined by the selecting official).
- **DRUG TESTING:** The selectee for this position is subject to random drug testing. The selected candidate must pass urinalysis testing prior to appointment and periodically thereafter.
- **MEDICAL/PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:** Candidates must undergo testing to demonstrate they possess satisfactory physical abilities necessary to perform the essential tasks of a particular position (defined by OPM) in a safe and efficient manner. Any physical condition that would cause the applicant to be a hazard to him/her or others is grounds for disqualification.
- **TEMPORARY TRAVEL AND MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATOR'S LICENSE:** Frequent temporary travel up to 50% of the time may be required. The selectee must possess and maintain a valid state motor vehicle operator's license.
- **MOBILITY AGREEMENT:** The selectee for this position must be willing to relocate (change of official duty station) at the direction of management.
- **DECLARATION OF FEDERAL EMPLOYMENT:** If selected for Federal employment, you will be required to complete a "Declaration of Federal Employment" OF-306, prior to being appointed.

Desired Qualifications:

- Strong investigative background.
- Evidence of the ability to work independently.
- Foreign language.
- Financial investigative background.
- Bachelor's degree.

To Apply:

Positions and locations are posted to USAJOBS.gov when they are available. You are encouraged to check USAJOBS regularly and apply to each announcement which you are eligible for in order to receive greatest consideration.

Please refer to the position descriptions on the [BIS Website \(doc.gov\)](#) prior to submitting your resume/documents for consideration to ensure you meet the qualifications for the position to which you are applying.

Selection will be made without discrimination for non-merit reasons such as race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, handicapping condition, marital status, sexual orientation, or political affiliation.

For Questions:

If you have questions regarding this announcement, you may email criminalinvestigators@bis.doc.gov requesting a reply. Resumes and other application information should not be sent this address as it will not be reviewed or forwarded to the hiring manager for consideration. Applications must be submitted through open USAJOBS announcements for eligibility and consideration.