



RECRUITMENT BULLETIN

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Planning Division
Community Planner – 0020
Biologist – 401
General Engineer – 0801
Archeologist – 0193
Gen Physical Scientist – 1301
Economist – 0110**

**Position: Interdisciplinary GS-07 (Full Performance Level GS-12)
Duty location: Mobile District Office, Mobile, AL
Salary:**

Date Opened: November 25, 2024

Date Closed: December 6, 2024

This employment opportunity is being completed under the Direct Hiring Authority – for Post-Secondary Students & Recent Graduates – Section 1106 of the NDAA for FY17, amend per P.L. 115-232 NDAA FY2019, Sec 1102

About the Position: This position is a Plan Formulator under the Plan Formulation Section of the Plan Formulation Branch in the Planning and Environmental Division. The position can be filled by any of the listed background expertise, shown as various series. The selected candidate will serve as the plan formulator on several multipurpose, comprehensive, and regional/statewide water resource civil works projects. This means they will collect basic data developed internally and from other agencies and analyses that data to determine the extent of the water resource problems and formulate possible alternative plans to be investigated, and lead and work with an interdisciplinary team to make a recommendation on solutions to address those problems. As part of that they will also assist in preparation of reconnaissance and feasibility reports; meet with team members to coordinate assignments and establish deadlines for completion; assist Senior Planners and Team Leads in developing study schedules and funding requirements with project managers and programmers and prepare information required for the project management reporting system; conduct field investigations in areas to determine Federal interest on proposed projects, participate in

and assist in the arrangement of public meetings, workshops, and coordinate meetings to facilitate full participation by other agencies, groups and individuals.

Type of Position: Permanent Position

To qualify, you must first meet the Basic OPM qualification requirements for this position.

1. Basic OPM qualifications for Community Planner – 0020

- a. **Degree:** Community planning; or related field such as urban affairs, architecture, landscape architecture, engineering, sociology, geography, economics, political science, or public administration that included at least 12 semester hours in the planning process, socioeconomic and physical elements of planning, urban and regional economic analysis, and development finance.

Note: Applicants with degrees in related fields, such as those listed above, who do not have the 12 semester hours of specified course work must have had a least 1 year of work experience in community planning acquired under the supervision and guidance of a community planner.

OR

- b. **Combination of education and experience:** Courses equivalent to a major in one of the above disciplines, or a combination of related courses totaling at least 24 semester hours in any combination of the above disciplines of which at least 12 semester hours were in the planning process, and socioeconomic and physical elements of planning, plus appropriate experience or additional education.

2. Basic OPM qualifications for Biologist – 0401

- a. **Degree:** biological sciences, agriculture, natural resource management, chemistry, or related disciplines appropriate to the position.

OR

- b. **Combination of education and experience:** Courses equivalent to a major, as shown in A above, plus appropriate experience or additional education.

3. Basic OPM qualifications for General Engineer – 0801

- a. **Degree:** Engineering. To be acceptable, the program must: (1) lead to a bachelor's degree in a school of engineering with at least one program accredited by ABET; or (2) include differential and integral calculus and courses (more advanced than first-year physics and chemistry) in five of

OR

- c. Combination of Education and Experience: College-level education or training that provided knowledge equivalent to that described in A above, plus appropriate technical experience or additional education.

OR

2. supervisory or project coordination assignments involving a staff of professional economists, and requiring the evaluation and interpretation of economic information; or
 3. teaching assignments in a college or university that included both class instruction in economics subjects and one of the following (1) personal research that produced evidence of results, (2) direction of graduate theses in economics, or (3) service as a consultant or advisor on technical economics problems.
- ii. Experience in related fields that did not involve the use and understanding of economic principles and theories may not be used as qualifying experience for these positions. Special attention on this point should be given to certain types of work that may or may not have provided professional economic experience. The following examples of work require special care in such determinations:
1. economic statistics;
 2. industrial surveys;
 3. management of individual business enterprises, including farms;
 4. industrial planning;
 5. writing or editorial work in economic subjects; and

In addition to meeting the basic requirement above, to qualify for the Interdisciplinary position you must also meet the one of the four (3nee f ed-3 (r)-3 (i)0. To

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- 3. Superior Academic Achievement:** In order to be creditable under this provision, Superior Academic Achievement must have been gained in a curriculum that is qualifying for the position to be filled, such as that identified in Education above Superior Academic Achievement is based on:
- a. Class Standing** – Applicants must be in the upper third of the graduating class in the college, university, or major subdivision, such as the College of Liberal Arts or the School of Business Administration, based on completed courses; OR
 - b. Grade-Point Average (GPA)** – Applicants must have a GPA of either (a) 3.0 or higher out of a possible 4.0 (“B” or better) as recorded on your official transcript, or as computed based on 4 years of education, or as computed based on courses completed during the final 2 years of the curriculum; or (b) 3.5 or higher out of a possible 4.0 (“b+” or better) based on the average of the required courses completed in the major field or the required courses in the major field completed during the final 2 years of the curriculum.; OR
 - c. Honor Society Membership** – Applicants may be considered eligible based on membership in one of the approved national scholastic honor societies listed by the Association of College Honor Societies (<https://www.achsnaatl.org>).

OR

- 4. Combination of Education and Experience:** A combination of education and experience may be used to qualify for this position as long as the computed percentage of the requirements is at least 100%. To compute the percentage of the requirements, divide your total months of experience by 12. Then divide the total number of completed graduate semester hours (or equivalent) by 18. Add the two percentages.

Note: You must submit your unofficial transcripts demonstrating a confer date of graduation with your application or submit transcripts showing you are within 9 months of graduation for this employment opportunity. If selected official transcripts are REQUIRED to be submitted before appointment.

GPA Requirement: Applicants must be in good standing with a minimum 2.0 cumulative and term grade point average equivalent.

How to Apply: Resumes must be received by **11:59p.m. CST, December 6, 2024**. Please include detailed information about your experience in your resume. Transcripts

are required. Specifically, follow the format as provided under USAJOBS Resume builder that provides hours per week, complete from and to dates for position held, etc. Email complete application package to: Tom Jester at thomas.s.jester@usace.army.mil.