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BUREAU OF EXAMINATIONS

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NOTICE OF EXAMINATION

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST (DOE)
Exam No. 2025

WHEN TO APPLY: From: October 6, 2021

APPLICATION FEE: \$85.00

To: October 29, 2021

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

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

WHAT THE JOB INVOLVES:

Occupational Therapists (DOE), under varying degrees of supervision, provide occupational therapy services to students with disabilities which may include the utilization of computer systems in connection with assignment. All Occupational Therapists (DOE) perform related work.

Some of the physical activities performed by Occupational Therapists (DOE) and environmental conditions experienced are walking up and down stairs, performing lifting, and sitting on the floor.

(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 \$73,394 per annum. This rate is subject to change. There are two assignment levels within this class of positions. Appointments will generally be made to Assignment Level I. After appointment, employees may be assigned to the higher assignment level at the discretion of the agency.

HOW TO QUALIFY:

You are responsible for determining whether or not you meet the License and Registration requirements for this examination prior to submitting your application. If you are found "Not Qualified," your application fee will not be refunded and you will not receive a score.

The license and registration requirements must be met by October 29, 2021.

License and Registration Requirements:

A valid license and current registration to practice as an Occupational Therapist in New York State.

This license and registration must be maintained for the duration of employment.

You have until midnight Eastern time on the last day of the Application Period (October 29, 2021) to clearly specify in detail all of your relevant licenses, registration and experience and Final Submit your Education and Experience Exam in the Online Application System (OASys). Once you Final Submit your Education and Experience Exam in OASys, you will not be permitted to submit new or additional information on your Education and Experience Exam online.

Note: If you are seeking credit for your valid New York State Registration as an Occupational Therapist, enter the date you originally received the Registration on your Profile page at the time of completing your examination.

If you do not Final Submit your Education and Experience Exam in OASys by midnight Eastern time on the last day of the Application Period (October 29, 2021), your examination will be considered incomplete, you will not receive a score, you will not be invited to subsequent portions of this examination (if applicable), and your application fee will not be refunded.

You will not receive credit for a license and registration that you obtain after October 29, 2021 or experience which you obtain after the end of the Application Period (October 29, 2021).

Vaccination Requirement: As of August 2, 2021, all new hires must be vaccinated against the COVID-19 virus, unless they have been granted reasonable accommodation for religion or disability. If you are offered city employment, this requirement must be met by your date of hire, unless a reasonable accommodation is received and approved by the hiring agency.

Residency:

City residency is not required for this position.

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English Requirement:

You must be able to understand and be understood in English.

Proof of Identity:

Under the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, you must be able to prove your identity and your right to obtain employment in the United States prior to employment with an agency under the jurisdiction of the Commissioner, Department of Citywide Administrative Services.

HOW TO APPLY:

If you believe you meet the requirements in the "How to Qualify" section, apply using the Online Application System (OASys) at 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 instructions 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>. **Effective January 2020, the Online Application System is no longer supported on Windows 7 or earlier versions of Windows operating systems.**

The Online Application System (OASys) Website will be temporarily unavailable due to maintenance from Thursday, October 14, 2021 at 6:00 AM to Saturday, October 16, 2021 at 11:59 PM. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

You may come to the DCAS Computer-based Testing & Applications Centers to apply for this examination online. However, you must schedule a customer service appointment prior to your visit. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, DCAS no longer permits walk-ins at DCAS sites.

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

The DCAS Computer-based Testing & Applications Centers will be closed on Saturday, October 9, 2021 and Monday, October 11, 2021.

To schedule a customer service appointment through OASys for an exam-related or eligible list-related inquiry, find **Exam #1889**, click **Apply**, and follow the instructions provided to reserve your appointment location, date, and time.

Special Circumstances Guide: This guide is located on the DCAS website at https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/dcas/downloads/pdf/employment/pdf_c_special_circumstances_guide.pdf

and available at the DCAS Computer-based Testing & Applications Centers. This guide gives important information about 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:

- 1. 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.
- 2. Education and Experience Exam:** Fill out all the required sections displayed onscreen (if applicable). You will have until midnight Eastern time on the last day of the Application Period (October 29, 2021) to clearly specify in detail all of your relevant license, registration, and experience on your Education and Experience Exam and submit it in the Online Application System (OASys).

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THE TEST:

Your score will be determined by an Education and Experience Exam. You will receive a score of 70 points for meeting the qualification requirements listed in the "How to Qualify" section. After these requirements are met, you will receive additional credit up to a maximum of 100 points on the following basis:

If you have satisfactory full-time experience as a licensed New York State Occupational Therapist in a school setting for: **You will receive up to:**

At least 10 months but less than 15 months	4 points
At least 15 months but less than 20 months	8.5 points
At least 20 months but less than 25 months	13 points
At least 25 months but less than 30 months	17.5 points
At least 30 months but less than 36 months	23 points
36 months or more of experience	30 points

If you have satisfactory full-time experience as a licensed New York State Occupational Therapist in a setting other than a school for: **You will receive up to:**

At least 10 months but less than 15 months	2 points
At least 15 months but less than 20 months	4.5 points
At least 20 months but less than 25 months	7 points
At least 25 months but less than 30 months	9.5 points
At least 30 months but less than 36 months	12 points
36 months or more of experience	15 points

During the Education and Experience Exam (EEE), you may answer questions about your experience. If your experience was on a part-time basis working less than 35 hours per week, you will need to convert your part-time experience using the formula below. Once you have determined your full-time experience equivalent, use this amount to answer questions about your experience.

$(\text{number of hours worked per week}/35) \times (\text{number of months worked})$

For example, if you worked at a job for 21 hours per week for 12 months, you would make the following calculation: $21/35 \times 12 = 7.2$ months.

You will receive a maximum of one year of experience credit for each year you worked. Each year of experience will be credited under only one category which will be the highest appropriate category.

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Experience must be obtained by the last day of the Application Period (October 29, 2021).

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 Self-Service (ESS) at 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
- Submit a written request by email at OASys@dcas.nyc.gov, by fax (646) 500-7199, or by regular mail: DCAS, 1 Centre Street, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10007. 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 Education and Experience Exam, your name will be placed in final score order on an eligible list, you will be given a list number and you will be notified by mail of your test results. The eligible list determines the order by which candidates will be considered for appointment. If you meet all requirements and conditions, you will be considered for appointment 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>.

If you believe that your test part was rated incorrectly, you may submit an appeal of your score to DCAS, Committee on Manifest Errors, through the Online Application System (OASys). Your appeal must give specific reasons why your score should be higher. Your appeal may result in a higher or lower rating.

To access the appeal portal of OASys, please log into your OASys account at www.nyc.gov/examsforjobs and use the following steps:

1. Navigate to the Dashboard for the Appeals tab.
2. Click the NEW APPEAL button to create and submit your appeal.
3. Select the exam from the Exam drop-down list, and
4. Select the exam part from the Exam Part drop-down list.
5. Select the reason for your appeal from the Appeal Reason drop-down list (if applicable).
6. Enter the details of your appeal by providing specific reasons why your score should be higher.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Selective Certification for Certifications, Credentials, and/or Special Experience: If you have the certifications, credentials, or experience listed below, you may be considered for appointment to positions requiring these certifications, credentials, or experience through a process called Selective Certification. If you wish to apply for this Selective Certification, follow the on screen instructions when completing the Education and Experience Exam to indicate your interest in such Selective Certification and Final Submit it in the Online Application System (OASys). Your credential(s), certification(s), and experience will be checked by the appointing agency at the time of appointment.

Selective Certification for Educational Environment Experience with NYS License and Full-time Experience (EEL): If you have at least one (1) year of full-time satisfactory experience performing occupational therapy duties as a licensed New York State Occupational Therapist in a school setting, you may receive preferred consideration for relevant positions.

Selective Certification for Municipal Government Experience (MGE): If you have at least one (1) year of full-time satisfactory experience performing occupational therapy duties as a licensed New York State Occupational Therapist within a municipal government which provides services for a city with a population of over 1 million, you may receive preferred consideration for relevant positions.

The above Selective Certification requirements may be met at any time during the duration of the list. If you meet this requirement at some future date, please submit a request by mail to: DCAS Bureau of Examinations - Exam Development Group, 1 Centre Street, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10007. Please include the examination title and number, your social security number, and the Selective Certification you are requesting on your correspondence.

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" folders 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 to you on your OASys Dashboard, then Notifications. 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 appointment, and may result in criminal prosecution.

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.

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Internet: nyc.gov/dcas