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CONTINUOUS RECRUITMENT FOR SPEECH PATHOLOGIST TRAINEE (Training & Experience)

Open Competitive Examination

Salary: \$19.85 – 23.30

This examination is held on a continuous recruitment basis. The eligible list resulting from this examination will be used to fill any vacancies as they occur under the jurisdiction of Niagara County Civil Service during the life of the list.

Your name will be placed on the eligible list in final score order, regardless of when you filed or received your grade. Your name at that score will remain on the list for a one (1) year period. Should you receive a permanent appointment from the list, your name will be removed from consideration for subsequent vacancies.

RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS: Candidates must have been legal residents of Niagara County or a contiguous county for at least one (1) month immediately preceding the date of the written examination and such residency must continue until the time of appointment.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Possession of a Master's Degree in Speech Pathology or equivalent** from a program approved by the New York State Education Department, in accordance with Commission of Education regulations.

EQUIVALENCY NOTE: **To be considered the equivalent of a Master's Degree in Speech Pathology, a candidate's education program must culminate in a Master's Degree from a New York State Education Department college or university and include: a practical of not less than 300 clock hours; 60 semester hours (of which 30 are at the graduate level) including 12 in basic communication processes, 24 hours in speech pathology, 6 hours in audiology and 18 hours in the above or related areas.

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: This position involves responsibility for learning techniques of evaluation, diagnosis and treatment of the communication functions and disabilities of patients* in a health care facility and for learning to provide treatment to restore or improve communications effectiveness as apart of a team of specialists concerned with the individual and the disorder. The work is performed under direct supervision of a licensed Speech Pathologist who closely monitors training progress and techniques. Supervision of others is not a responsibility of this class. This is a professional trainee position in the competitive class for which candidates are selected on the bases of general intelligence, academic knowledge of the principles of speech pathology and the ability to acquire professional skills and knowledge's necessary to complete requirements needed for professional State licensure.

The term of appointment is limited to one (1) year during which the incumbent must complete the experience requirement for licensure eligibility. Promotion to the position of Speech Pathologist will follow without further examination upon successful completion of the training program and acquisition of New York State license for Speech Pathologist.

*The term "patient" should be changed to "resident" when position is used in health related facilities.

SUBJECT OF EXAMINATION: There will be no written or oral test for this examination. The training and experience of candidates will be evaluated against the background of the position. It is essential that you give complete and accurate information on the application form and training and experience questionnaire. You must also submit official college transcripts to this office by the time your name is certified.

CANDIDATES NOTE: You are responsible for completing all sections of the official application. To receive credit for experience on a job, basic information such as address, name and title of supervisor, hours in the workweek, final salary, and duties performed by you must be shown. Be very specific in explaining experience that will qualify you for the position sought. Ambiguity and vagueness will not be resolved in your favor...**EACH SEPARATE SHEET ATTACHED TO THE APPLICATION MUST BE SIGNED.**

COLLEGE CREDITS MUST BE VERIFIED WITH AN OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT. If you have listed college or special courses on your application it will be necessary for you to request **that your institute forward to us** an official transcript or special course certificate. These documents must be received in our office by the time your name is considered for possible appointment. **If these documents are not on file prior to canvassing for vacant positions, your name will not be canvassed, you will receive a disapproval letter and your name will be removed from consideration for all future appointments.**

PLEASE REVIEW THE “IMPORTANT EXAMINATION INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES” PRIOR TO COMPLETING YOUR APPLICATION. The information sheet is located on the Niagara County Web Site www.niagaracounty.com click on ‘employment’. It is the first item posted in red. Application forms are also assessable from the web site.

A non-refundable **\$15.00** application fee must accompany each application. Submit check or money order only – payable to: **Niagara County Civil Service.**

APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED ON A CONTINUOUS BASIS