



Announcement Number:
4PC-10-023

Position Available:
Architect, GS-0808-7/9

Organization:
GSA, Public Buildings Service

Opening Date: April 5, 2010

Minimum Starting Salary:

Closing Date: April 16, 2010

GS-7 \$44,176

Location: Atlanta, GA

GS-9 \$54,028

Promotion Potential: GS-12

Benefits: Full benefits including health and life insurance and retirement plan. Flexible work schedules.

Who we are:

The General Services Administration (GSA) is an agency of the Federal government but it runs like a big company. GSA influences the spending of nearly \$500 billion in Federal budgets each year. If we were a corporation, we'd rank in the Fortune 100. GSA buys all of the things that government employees need to do their jobs and, provides them with workspace too. We manage 339 million square feet of rentable workspace, in 6,500 leased locations and 1,800 Government-owned buildings. Our clients include over 100 Federal agencies and organizations and 1 million Federal employees. We build new Government buildings and renovate and modernize older ones. We provide supplies and services including everything from pencils and paper to computers, paint, tools, and appliances. We also provide telecommunications and information technology services to Federal agencies. For additional information, visit us on the web at www.gsa.gov.

This position is being filled under the Federal Career Intern Program which is a 2 year internship program. Upon successful completion of the program, interns may be eligible to be converted to a permanent position within GSA.

Duties

The Incumbent assists with the architectural portion of design and construction projects for both new construction and repair and alteration projects.

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At these grade levels, employee will receive closer supervision on unusual assignments and completed work will be reviewed more closely while at the same time providing opportunity for the employee to gain the full range of knowledge and judgment required for full performance at the target grade level.

As the grade level progresses, the close supervision will decrease and the employee will be expected to perform the work assignments more independently.

Basic Requirements:

- A. Degree: architecture; or related field that included 60 semester hours of course work in architecture or related disciplines of which at least (1) 30 semester hours were in architectural design, and (2) 6 semester hours were in each of the following: structural technology, properties of materials and methods of construction, and environmental control systems.

OR

- B. Combination of education and experience -- college-level education, training, and/or technical experience that furnished (1) a thorough knowledge of the arts and sciences underlying professional architecture, and (2) a good understanding, both theoretical and practical, of the architectural principles, methods, and techniques and their applications to the design and construction or improvement of buildings. The adequacy of such background must be demonstrated by at least one of the following:
 - 1. *Related Curriculum:* Degree in architectural engineering may be accepted as satisfying in full the basic requirements, provided the completed course work in architectural engineering provided knowledge, skills, and abilities substantially equivalent to those provided in the courses specified in paragraph A. The curriculum for a degree in either architecture or architectural engineering covers function, esthetics, site, structure, economics, mechanical-electrical, and other engineering problems related to the design and construction of buildings primarily (but not exclusively) intended to house human activities. The courses required for a degree in architecture generally place emphasis upon planning, esthetics, and materials and methods of construction, while the courses for an architectural engineering degree place equal or greater weight on the technical engineering aspects such as structural systems, mechanical systems, and the properties of materials. Because of this difference in emphasis, persons with degrees in architecture may have a preference for work assignments that offer greater opportunities for them to express their artistic and creative abilities. As a result, they may be more concerned with planning and design aspects of architecture, and persons with degrees in architectural engineering may be more engaged in aspects emphasizing technical engineering considerations.
 - 2. *Experience:* An applicant lacking a degree in architecture must have had 1 year of experience in an architect's office or in architectural work for each year short of graduation from a program of study in architecture. In the absence of college courses, 5 years of such experience is required. This experience must have demonstrated that the applicant has acquired a thorough knowledge of the fundamental principles and theories of professional architecture.

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How to Qualify Based on Education:

In addition to meeting the basic entry qualification requirements, applicants must have specialized experience and/or directly related education in the amounts shown in the table below.

- **GS-7** - 1 year of graduate-level education *or* superior academic achievement
- **GS-9** - 2 years of progressively higher level graduate education leading to a master's degree or master's or equivalent graduate degree

How to Qualify Based on Experience:

Specialized experience: Applicants must have one year of specialized experience at the next lower grade level in order to qualify based on experience.

- **GS-7** - One year of specialized experience equivalent to the GS-5 level. Specialized experience is professional architectural work in the design, construction, repair & renovation, restoration, rehabilitation, design or construction of major commercial or industrial facilities (multi-storied or high-rise office bldg. & related structures), managing all, or a large phase, of a major design or construction project.
- **GS-9** - One year of specialized experience equivalent to the GS-7 level. Specialized experience is professional architectural work in the design, construction, repair & renovation, restoration, rehabilitation, design or construction of major commercial or industrial facilities (multi-storied or high-rise office bldg. & related structures), managing all, or a large phase, of a major design or construction project.

How to Apply:

- Please send your résumé to **4AH.FCIP@gsa.gov**. Please be sure to specify the announcement number in your email.
- For further information, please contact Ricky Miller, 404-331-3186.
- If you are a veteran and would like to claim veteran's preference, please submit a copy of your DD214.
- US Citizenship required.
- Résumés will not be accepted before the opening date of this announcement.
- Résumés and transcripts must be received by HR no later than midnight Eastern Time the closing date of the announcement.

Consideration will be given to all qualified applicants without regard to race, color, creed, national origin, sex, non-disqualifying disability, marital status, age, religious affiliation, sexual orientation or membership or non-membership in an employee organization.