



U.S. Department of State  
**APPLICATION FOR EMPLOYMENT AS A  
 LOCALLY EMPLOYED STAFF OR FAMILY MEMBER**

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(This application is for positions recruited by the U. S. Mission under the  
 Office of Overseas Employment's Interagency Local Employment Recruitment Policy)

**POSITION**

1. Position Title	2. Grades
3. Vacancy Announcement Number <i>(If known)</i>	4. Date Available for Work <i>(mm-dd-yyyy)</i>

**PERSONAL INFORMATION**

5. Last Name(s)/Surnames	First Name	Middle Name
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6. Other Names Used \_\_\_\_\_

7. Date of Birth <i>(mm-dd-yyyy)</i>	8. Place of Birth
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9. Current Address	10. Phone Numbers Day _____ Evening _____ Cell _____
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11. E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

12. Are you a U. S. Citizen?     Yes     No

13. Do you have permanent U.S. Resident status?     Yes     No    If yes, provide number  
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14a. U.S. Social Security Number (for U.S. Citizens/Permanent U.S. Residents) \_\_\_\_\_  
 And/Or

14b. Country Identification Number \_\_\_\_\_

15. Are you legally eligible to work in this country?     Yes     No

If yes, Mission HR may require verification of eligibility. Please attach copies of all documentation that confirms your legal eligibility to work in this country (e.g., work permit, residency permit). If you are not sure if you need to submit proof of eligibility, contact the Mission's HR office.

16. If hired, are there accommodations the Mission needs to provide so that you can perform all the essential functions and duties of the position?     Yes     No    If yes, please explain

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17. If you are applying for a position that includes driving a U.S. Government vehicle, do you have a valid drivers license?  
 Yes     No

If yes, Class/Type of License \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, have you operated a vehicle without incident for the past three years?     Yes     No

18. What days are you available to work as part of a regularly scheduled work week? (Check all that apply)

Sunday  Monday  Tuesday  Wednesday  Thursday  Friday  Saturday

19. Do any of your relatives or members of your household work for the United States Government?  Yes  No  
 If yes, provide the details below. If you need more space, use an additional sheet of paper. (See Instructions for Completing the DS-174 for the definition of relatives and members of household.)

Name	Relationship	Agency, Position, and Location
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

**U.S. CITIZEN ELIGIBLE FAMILY MEMBER (USEFM) AND U.S. VETERANS HIRING PREFERENCE**

20. Are you claiming preference in hiring under U.S. law, including the Foreign Service Act of 1980, based upon your status as either a U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Member (USEFM) or U. S. Veteran? See Instructions for Completing the DS-174 for additional information about the USEFM and U.S. Veterans hiring preference. (Check only one)

Yes, I am a U.S. Citizen EFM and also a U.S. Veteran  Yes, I am a U.S. Veteran  
 Yes, I am a U.S. Citizen EFM  No, I am neither a U.S. Citizen, nor a U.S. Veteran

If claiming eligibility for U.S. Veteran preference, you must attach a copy of your most recent DD-214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty. If claiming conditional eligibility for U.S. Veterans preference, you must submit proof of conditional eligibility.

**EDUCATION**

21. Graduate School Name of School, City, State or Country	Dates Attended (mm-dd-yyyy) From _____ To _____	Graduate? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Degree/Diploma	Major Subject
Undergraduate College/University Name of School, City, State or Country	Dates Attended (mm-dd-yyyy) From _____ To _____	Graduate? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Degree/Diploma	Major Subject
High School/GED or Country Equivalent Name of School, City, State or Country	Dates Attended (mm-dd-yyyy) From _____ To _____	Graduate? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	If no, highest grade level completed	
Other, e.g Technical/Vocational School Name of School, City, State or Country	Dates Attended (mm-dd-yyyy) From _____ To _____	Graduate? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Certificate/ Diploma	Major Subject

**LICENSE, SKILLS, TRAINING, MEMBERSHIP, AND RECOGNITION**

22. List professional licenses, certifications, typing/keyboard, computer skills, formal and on-line training, and other skills and abilities you consider relevant to the position. Please include the license or certification number. Attach a copy if the license or certification is a requirement of the position. If licensed in the U.S., please list the state of issuance. If licensed in another country, please list the province/state/region and country of issuance. (Use additional pages, as required)

23. List professional organizations, associations, awards, honors, fellowships, and publications you consider significant.

**LANGUAGES**

24. List your languages, the appropriate competency levels, and your primary/first spoken/native language using the language standards below. You may only identify one primary/first spoken/native language.

Language Indicators:

Level I = Basic Knowledge

Level IV = Fluent

Level II = Limited Knowledge

Level V = Professional Translator/Interpreter

Level III = Good Working Knowledge

Language	Speak	Read	Write	Primary Language?
_____				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
_____				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
_____				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
_____				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

**WORK EXPERIENCE**

Include all work experience, paid and voluntary. Start with your present or most recent work experience. When describing work, list specific duties/responsibilities and accomplishments. Include supervisory responsibilities and the number of employees supervised. Go into as much detail as possible for work experience that directly relates to the advertised position. Include all periods of unemployment and the reason. (Use additional pages, as required)

25a. Job Title (If U.S. Government, include the Series and Grade)

From _____ To _____ <small>(mm-dd-yyyy) (mm-dd-yyyy)</small>	Salary per Year in U.S. Dollars or Local Currency	Hours per Week
Employer's Name and Address	Supervisor's Name and Contact Information	
	Name _____	
	Phone Number _____	
	E-mail Address _____	
May HR contact your current supervisor? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		

Describe your major duties/responsibilities and accomplishments.

Reason(s) for leaving. (Do not write "N/A" or Not applicable)

25b. Job Title (If U.S. Government, include the series and grade)

From _____ To _____ (mm-dd-yyyy) (mm-dd-yyyy)	Salary per Year in U.S. Dollars or Local Currency _____	Hours per Week _____
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Employer's Name and Address	Supervisor's Name and Contact Information Name _____ Phone Number _____ E-mail Address _____
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Describe your major duties/responsibilities and accomplishments.

Reason(s) for leaving. (Do not write "N/A" or Not applicable)

25c. Job Title (If U.S. Government, include the Series and Grade)

From _____ To _____ (mm-dd-yyyy) (mm-dd-yyyy)	Salary per Year in U.S. Dollars or Local Currency _____	Hours per Week _____
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Employer's Name and Address	Supervisor's Name and Contact Information Name _____ Phone Number _____ E-mail Address _____
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Describe your major duties/responsibilities and accomplishments.

Reason(s) for leaving. (Do not write "N/A" or Not Applicable)

25d. Job Title (If U.S. Government, include the Series and Grade)

From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_  
(mm-dd-yyyy) (mm-dd-yyyy)

Salary per Year in U.S. Dollars or  
Local Currency \_\_\_\_\_

Hours per Week \_\_\_\_\_

Employer's Name and Address \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor's Name and Contact Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Describe your major duties/responsibilities and accomplishments.

Reason(s) for leaving. (Do not Write "N/A" or Not Applicable)

### REFERENCES

26. List three personal references who are not relatives or former supervisors who have knowledge of your work performance. Mission HR will obtain your permission before contacting any reference.

Name

Address

Telephone

Occupation

_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

### SIGNATURE AND CERTIFICATION

27. I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, all of the information on and attached to this application is true, correct, complete, and made in good faith. I understand that false or fraudulent information on or attached to this application may be grounds for not hiring me, or for termination/dismissal after I begin work, and may be punishable by fine or imprisonment according to this country's law or U.S. law. I understand that any information I voluntarily provide on or attached to this application may be investigated.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date (mm-dd-yyyy) \_\_\_\_\_

**PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT**  
**(for U.S. Citizens and Legal Permanent Residents of the U. S.)**

**AUTHORITIES:** The information is sought pursuant to, e.g., the Foreign Service Act of 1980, as amended, and 22 U.S.C. 2669(c)

**PURPOSE:** The information solicited on this form is necessary to establish your eligibility and qualifications for advertised positions. The information furnished may also be used in the pre-employment fitness-for-duty process, if you are selected for a Mission position. We are authorized to solicit your social security number (SSN) by Executive Order 9397 to confirm the identity and employment eligibility of the individual. The SSN may also be used to seek information about you from employers, schools, banks, and others who know you. Disclosure of this information, including your social security number, is voluntary. Failure to provide the information requested on this application may result in delays in considering your application. It could result in you not receiving full consideration for the position. Incomplete addresses slow processing of your application.

**ROUTINE USES:** The information you provide in this form may be shared with Federal, State, local, and foreign agencies to the extent relevant and necessary for that agency's decision about you. This information may be disclosed to a member of Congress or to a congressional staff member in response to an inquiry of the Congressional office made at the written request of the constituent etc. This information may be disclosed to a member of Congress or to a congressional staff member in response to an inquiry of the Congressional office made at written request of the constituent about whom the record is maintained. Information may also be disclosed in the course of presenting evidence to a court, magistrate, or administrative tribunal, including disclosures to opposing counsel in the course of settlement negotiations.

**BURDEN:** Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 60 minutes per response, including time required for searching existing data sources, gathering the necessary documentation, providing the information and/or documents required, and reviewing the final collection. You do not have to supply this information unless this collection displays a currently valid OMB control number. If you have comments on the accuracy of this burden estimate and/or recommendations for reducing it, please send them to: A/GIS/DIR, Room 2400 SA-22, U.S. Department of State, Washington, DC 20522-2202

**EQUAL OPPORTUNITY STATEMENT**

**The United States Government is an equal opportunity employer.**

**DS-174 CONTINUATION SHEET - WORK EXPERIENCE**

25\_ Job Title (If U.S. Government, include the Series and Grade)

From _____ To _____ (mm-dd-yyyy) (mm-dd-yyyy)	Salary per Year in U.S. Dollars or Local Currency _____	Hours per Week _____
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Employer's Name and Address	Supervisor's Name and Contact Information Name _____ Phone Number _____ E-mail Address _____
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Describe your duties/responsibilities and accomplishments.

Describe your reason(s) for leaving. (Do not write "N/A" or Not Applicable)

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25\_ Job Title (If U.S. Government, Include the Series and Grade)

From _____ To _____ (mm-dd-yyyy) (mm-dd-yyyy)	Salary per Year in U.S. Dollars or Local Currency _____	Hours per Week _____
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Employer's Name and Address	Supervisor's Name and Contact Information Name _____ Phone Number _____ E-mail Address _____
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Describe your major duties/responsibilities and accomplishments.

Describe your reason(s) for leaving. (Do not write "N/A" or Not Applicable)

**INFORMATION ABOUT MISSION EMPLOYMENT AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE DS-174,  
APPLICATION FOR EMPLOYMENT AS A LOCALLY EMPLOYED STAFF OR FAMILY MEMBER**

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT MISSION EMPLOYMENT AND APPLYING  
FOR MISSION POSITIONS**

1. You must apply for Mission positions using the DS-174, or a resume that provides all the information on the DS-174. If you submit only a resume and it does not provide all the information requested on the DS-174, Mission HR has the authority to require that you complete a DS-174 at some point during your candidacy. Failure to provide all the information requested on the DS-174 either by completing the DS-174, or submitting a resume that contains all the information on the DS-174, means you may lose consideration for the position.
2. Make sure you are eligible to apply. For example, the Mission sometimes restricts recruitment to current Mission employees.
3. The Mission Human Resources office must receive your application package by the closing date on the Vacancy Announcement. Otherwise, you lose consideration for the position.
4. Providing your U.S. Social Security Number (for U.S. Citizens and Legal Permanent Residents of the U.S.), or country identification number (for everyone else), as well as all other personal information, is voluntary. However, Mission HR is unable to process your application if you do not voluntarily provide the information requested in the DS-174.
5. Under U.S. Law including the Foreign Service Act of 1980, as amended, U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Members (3 FAM 7120) and U.S. Veterans receive a preference in hiring, subject to Mission HR confirmation of eligibility.
6. Positions staffed by the U.S. Mission require that U.S. citizen males over age 18 and born after December 31, 1959, register with the United States Selective Service System, or have an exemption from the U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM).
7. U.S. law and regulation do not allow U.S. Government employees to appoint, hire, promote, or recommend their relatives or Members of Household for employment at the Mission.
8. Federal civilian annuitants may have their salaries or annuities reduced if employed by the Mission.



## GENERAL INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE DS-174

1. Type or print clearly in ink. Mission HR does not consider application packages submitted in pencil.
2. You may complete the application in English or your primary/first spoken/native language. However, if the Vacancy Announcement states that all candidates for employment must submit their applications in English, then you must submit the application in English.
3. If you need more space for an answer, use an additional sheet of paper. In the top right corner of each sheet, write your complete name, the position title, and the Vacancy Announcement Number (if you know it).
4. Answer all questions on the DS-174 that apply to you fully and in detail. If you do not answer all questions fully and in detail, you may delay the Human Resources review of your application and you may lose consideration for the position. If a question on the DS-174 does not apply to you, then write "N/A" (Not Applicable) in the box or space provided.
5. Attach copies of all documentation you believe is relevant to the position, your eligibility, and your qualifications to the DS-174. **DO NOT ATTACH THE ORIGINAL.** This includes eligibility documentation such as a copy of your work permit or residency permit. It also includes qualifications documentation such as copies of certificates of training, licenses, proficiencies, publications, and educational transcripts. If you are not sure what documentation you must submit, contact the Mission HR office.

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION

### POSITION

- Block 1. Position Title: Provide the position title stated on the Vacancy Announcement or media advertisement.
- Block 2. Grades: Provide the grade of the position (FSN and FP), if you know it.  
*Example: FSN-8; FP-6.* If you don't know the grades of the position, write "N/A."
- Block 3. Vacancy Announcement Number: Provide the Vacancy Announcement Number, if you know it.  
If you don't, write "N/A."
- Block 4. Date Available for Work: Provide the date you are available to start working, if you are offered the position.  
*Example: June 1, 20XX.*

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

- Block 5. Last Name(s)/Surname: Provide your last name or surname.  
First Name: Provide your first or given name  
Middle Name: Provide your middle name
- Block 6. Other Names Used: List all the other names, including nicknames, you use or have used in the past that are not in Block 5.
- Block 7. Date of Birth: Provide your date of birth using the *mm-dd-yyyy* format. *Example: 11-12-1986.*
- Block 8. Place of Birth: If you were born in the United States, provide the city, state and country. *Example: Winston-Salem, North Carolina, USA.* If you were born outside of the United States, provide the city, province/region/state/department, and country. *Example: Asuncion, Central Department, Paraguay.*
- Block 9. Current Address: Provide your complete current address, including apartment number, building number, and other residential identifiers.
- Block 10. Phone Numbers: Provide your daytime, evening, and cellular contact numbers, including country, regional, area, or city codes, as appropriate.
- Block 11. E-mail Address: Provide your E-mail address. *Example: JaneDoe123@hotmail.com.* If you don't have an E-mail address, write "N/A."
- Block 12. U. S. Citizenship: Check the appropriate box.
- Block 13. Permanent U. S. Resident Status: Check the appropriate box. If you check yes, provide your permanent resident status number.
- Block 14A/14B.  
U. S. Social Security Number and/or Country Identification Number: Provide your U.S. Social Security Number or your Country Identification Number. If you have both a U.S. Social Security Number and a Country Identification Number, provide both numbers.
- Block 15. Confirmation of Eligibility: Certify that you are legally eligible for employment in the country where the Mission is located by checking the appropriate box. Attach copies of the required paperwork (e.g. work permit, residency permit), if appropriate. **Do not attach originals.** If you are not sure you need to submit proof of eligibility paperwork, or what paperwork you need to submit, contact the Mission HR office.
- Block 16. Accommodations: Check the appropriate box and provide explanatory information, as appropriate.
- Block 17. Drivers License: Answer this question only if the position you are applying for requires driving a U.S. Government vehicle. List the type of License you have. Example A: None; Example B: Class A, to drive any tractor-trailer or combination of motor vehicle and towed vehicle where the towed vehicle exceeds a gross weight of 4,600 kilograms. Attach a copy of your current license to the application. Check "Yes" or "No" to indicate whether you have driven without incident within the last three years.

Block 18. Availability: Check all the days you are available to work as part of a regularly scheduled work week. A regularly scheduled work week is the official work week set by the supervisor based upon the assigned duties and responsibilities of the position. Following are three examples of regularly scheduled work weeks:

*a. Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.*

*b. Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. and Friday, 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.*

*c. Saturday through Wednesday, 7:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.*

Block 19. Relatives: Check the appropriate box. If you check "Yes," then list all relatives or members of your household who currently work for the U.S. Government. Relatives and members of household include father, mother, husband, wife, unmarried partner of the opposite or same sex, son, daughter, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, first cousin, nephew, niece, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, stepfather, stepmother, stepson, stepdaughter, stepbrother, stepsister, half brother, and half sister.

#### **U.S. CITIZEN ELIGIBLE FAMILY MEMBER AND U.S. VETERANS HIRING PREFERENCE**

Block 20. Preference in Hiring: Check the appropriate box: You may only check one box.

U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Members (USEFM): For purposes of receiving a preference in hiring for a qualified position, a USEFM is an individual who meets the following criteria:

1. U.S. citizen; and
2. The spouse or domestic partner of the sponsoring employee, or a child of the sponsoring employee who is unmarried and at least 18 years old; and
3. Listed on the travel orders of a sponsoring employee, i.e., a direct-hire Foreign Service, Civil Service, or uniformed service member who is permanently assigned to or stationed abroad at a U.S. mission, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan, and who is under Chief of Mission authority, and either:
  - a. Resides at the sponsoring employee's post of assignment abroad or, as appropriate, at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; or
  - b. Resides at an involuntary separate maintenance allowance (ISMA) location, authorized under 3 FAM 3232.2. If residing at an ISMA location, the individual will not be listed on the sponsoring officer's travel orders but will have a form SF-1190 processed authorizing ISMA.

Other family members or dependents on direct-hire Foreign Service, Civil Service, or uniformed services member's travel orders are not USEFMs or AEFMs for purposes of 3 FAM 8200.

If you claim status as a U.S. Citizen EFM, Mission HR may need to verify your status and eligibility. Mission HR's decision on eligibility for the preference as a USEFM is final.

## U.S. Veterans

- a. If you claim status as a U.S. Veteran, you must attach a copy of your DD-214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty. Failure to provide a copy of your DD-214 to Mission HR by the closing date of the Vacancy Announcement means you lose eligibility for the hiring preference.
  
- b. If you claim conditional preference status as a U.S. Veteran, you must attach proof of eligibility to your application. Examples include a copy of your current military orders, or a letter on official military letterhead signed by the commanding officer that states the type of service and that you are in an active duty status. Failure to provide proof of conditional eligibility to Mission HR by the closing date of the Vacancy Announcement means you lose eligibility for a conditional preference in hiring.

Mission HR's decision on eligibility for U.S. Veterans preference after reviewing the DD-214, or conditional eligibility documentation, is final.

The Local Employment Recruitment policy does not use points in applying the hiring preference for USEFM or U.S. Veteran candidates. Under U.S. law including the Foreign Service Act of 1980, as amended, status as a USEFM or U.S. Veteran is an affirmative factor in employment. To receive a preference in hiring, USEFM and U.S. Veteran candidates must be fully qualified before receiving first consideration for the advertised position.

USEFM and U.S. Veteran candidates generally have an equal preference in hiring; however, a U.S. Citizen EFM who is also a U.S. Veteran receives preference in hiring before all other preference candidates.

Under the Local Employment Recruitment policy, USEFM and U.S. Veteran candidates are eligible to receive the preference each time they apply for Mission-advertised positions, subject to Mission HR confirmation of eligibility. Application of the preference is not restricted to the candidate's initial hiring at the U.S. Mission.

## EDUCATION

### Block 21.

- a. School: If you have graduate studies beyond a Bachelors degree or host country equivalent, start in the first block, "Graduate School." If you have college/university studies, start in next block down, "Undergraduate/ College University." If you did not attend college/university, start with the "High School/General Educational Development (GED)" box. (The GED tests are a group of five tests which when passed, certifies that the taker has American or Canadian high school-level academic skills.) Use the Technical/Vocational school box for all other formal education. List the name of the school, city and state.  
*Example: Clemson University, Clemson, South Carolina, USA*
  
- b. Dates Attended: List the dates using the *mm-dd-yyyy* format. *Example: 08-02-2000.*
  
- c. Graduate: Check either "Yes" or "No."
  
- d. Degree/Diploma and Major Subject:  
If you are a college/university or technical school graduate, indicate your degree field under "Degree/Diploma." If you double majored in school, list your major and minor fields of study under "Major Subject."  
*Example: Major: Economics; Minor: Sports Medicine.*

If you have university studies but did not graduate, check "No" in the "Graduate" box, write "N/A" in the "Degree/Diploma" box, and write "General course work" in the "Major Subject" box.

If you have graduate studies but did not graduate, check "No" in the "Graduate" box, write "N/A" in the "Degree/Diploma" box and write the area of graduate work you were pursuing in the "Major Subject" box.  
Example: "Psychology."

If you have technical school, vocational school, or other formal school education but did not graduate, check "No" in the "Graduate" box, write "N/A" in the "Degree/Diploma" box, and write the main technical or vocational course work you took. Example: Welding

### LICENSE, SKILLS, TRAINING, MEMBERSHIP, AND RECOGNITION

- Block 22. Include keyboard, computer, professional licenses/certifications, formal and on-line training, and other skills and abilities you have that directly relate to the position you're applying for, or that you consider relevant to your candidacy.  
If a license or certification is a requirement of the position (e.g., electrician certification, Registered Professional Nurse), then you must attach a copy to your application. Do not attach the original license or certification. If you do not attach a copy to your application, you may lose consideration for the position.  
If a license or certification is not a requirement of the position, you may attach copies of licenses/certifications to your application that you believe are relevant to or strengthen your candidacy. Do not attach the original license or certification. Mission HR has the authority to require proof of anything you include as part of your application package in Block 22.
- Block 23. List professional organizations, associations, awards, honors, fellowships, and publications you have that directly relate to the position you're applying for, or that you consider relevant to or strengthen your candidacy. Mission HR has the authority to require proof of honors, publications, or anything else you list in Block 23.

### LANGUAGES

Block 24. The Mission assesses language proficiency using the following standards:

- Level I = Basic Knowledge
- Level II = Limited Knowledge
- Level III = Good Working Knowledge
- Level IV = Fluent
- Level V = Professional Translator/Interpreter

You must list your language proficiency using the Level I-V standard. You must identify one and only one language as your primary/first spoken/native language. If you are bilingual or multi-lingual, you may only choose one language as your primary/first spoken/native language. If you are not proficient in all three components of the language (speaking, reading, and writing), then list your proficiency in the components that apply and write "N/A" in the components that do not apply.

*Following is an example of how to complete Block 24:*

<i>Language</i>	<i>Speak</i>	<i>Read</i>	<i>Write</i>	<i>Primary Language?</i>
<i>Spanish</i>	<i>IV</i>	<i>IV</i>	<i>IV</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>English</i>	<i>IV</i>	<i>IV</i>	<i>IV</i>	
<i>Italian</i>	<i>II</i>	<i>II</i>		
<i>Arabic</i>	<i>I</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>N/A</i>	

Human Resources may require testing in one or all languages you include in your application.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

Block 25. Work experience includes all paid and volunteer work, including internships, fellowships, and grants. Include all of your work experience. List your current or most recent paid or volunteer work first in Block 25a and work backwards. Include all periods of unemployment and the reason for the unemployment. Use additional pages, if needed.

a. Job Title: Use official job titles only. If you have work experience with the U.S. Government, include the job title, series (if you know it), and the grade.

*Example 1: Voucher Examiner, Series 420, Grade 7*

*Example 2: Biology Teacher, Pay Band 6*

b. Dates of Employment: Provide the dates of employment using the *mm-dd-yyyy* format.

*Example: From: 08-30-2000 To: 09-01-2008*

c. Salary: Make sure you provide your annual salary, not weekly or monthly salary. You may provide salary in either U.S. dollars or the local currency of the Mission where you are applying. If you have a salary history that is not denominated in U.S. dollars or the local currency of the Mission where you are applying, convert the salary to U.S. dollars and provide it on the application.

d. Hours per week: Provide the hours of your regularly scheduled workweek. *Example: 20*

e. Employer's Name and Address: Provide your employer's complete name and address and indicate if Mission HR may contact your current supervisor.

f. Supervisor's Name and Contact: Provide the name and contact information of your supervisor. If you do not know your supervisor's E-mail address, put "N/A."

g. Duties/Responsibilities and Accomplishments: It's your responsibility to demonstrate that you are qualified for the position. Read the advertised position requirements (e.g., prior work experience, computer skills, customer service work) on the Vacancy Announcement or media advertisement. Then describe your duties/responsibilities and accomplishments in the position in as much detail as possible. Make sure you include all formal and informal supervisory responsibilities. Indicate the percentage of time you spent performing for each major duty and responsibility, e.g., 20 percent. Use additional pages, if needed.

If you had a major change of duties and responsibilities while you worked for the same employer, then describe each role as a separate job, i.e., Complete Block 25a, then Block 25b.

h. Reason for Leaving: Always state the reason you left your previous employment. If you are currently employed, then put "currently employed" in the "Reason for Leaving" box. You may not put "N/A" for "Not Applicable" as the reason for leaving. If you were terminated, or voluntarily or involuntarily separated, then state why in specific terms.

*Example: "I was involuntarily separated because of a Reduction-In-Force in my division."*

## REFERENCES

Block 26. List three personal references. Ideally they are individuals who know you professionally and can comment on your suitability for employment at the Mission. Personal references may not be relatives, members of your household, or your former supervisors. You may wish to inform personal references that you are including their names and contact information in your application since Mission HR may contact personal references.

## SIGNATURE AND CERTIFICATION

Block 27. It is your responsibility to sign and date your application in ink. If you do not sign and date the application, or if you sign and date the application in pencil, then you lose consideration for the position. Your signature in ink certifies that the information on and attached to your application is true, correct, complete, and made in good faith. Including false information on and attached to your application is fraud. It is grounds for not hiring you, or for terminating you after you begin to work. Signing the application also confirms that you understand that the Mission may investigate any information you voluntarily submit.

## DS-174 CONTINUATION SHEET

Use the DS-174 Continuation Sheet to list your complete work experience. Use as many of the DS-174 Continuation Sheets as you need. Start at the top of the DS-174 Continuation Sheet with 25E and proceed through the alphabet until you provide your complete work history. Use the instructions for completing Block 25 to complete the DS-174 Continuation Sheet.

## EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

The U.S. Mission provides equal opportunity and fair and equitable treatment in employment to all people without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, political affiliation, marital status, protected genetic information, or sexual orientation.

The EEO complaint procedure is not available to individuals who believe they have been denied equal opportunity based upon marital status or political affiliation. Individuals with such complaints should avail themselves of the appropriate grievance procedures, remedies for prohibited personnel practices, and/or courts for relief."