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The Conference of Women Legislators (COWL)

has established a scholarship fund to assist mature women (age 25 and older) who wish to continue their undergraduate education. The goal of the scholarship is to focus on deserving, qualified women whose educations were interrupted due to family concerns and economic problems. Particular consideration will emphasize women who have shown leadership promise through community service.

The one year undergraduate scholarship will cover tuition, books and fees up to \$2500 per year, including summer school. Applicants for the scholarship must meet certain requirements to be eligible. In addition to being a woman 25 years of age or older, she must be an Illinois resident and plan to attend an accredited on-campus school in Illinois for at least six semester hours (online college are not eligible).

Copies of the forms are attached but all scholarship application instructions and forms may be downloaded from the COWL website:

<http://cowlil.com/>

Application materials must be postmarked no later than April 15, 2016 to be considered and all applicants will be notified by May 31, 2016. COWL Scholarship Program is for the 2016-2017 Academic Year

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Engineering Technician

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...co-located with the Command Headquarters. Headquarter, MEPCOM is located in North **Chicago**, IL near Waukegan; 1/2 hour from Wisconsin border and about 1+ hours North of **Chicago**. Cold winters with snow, warm summers and heavy traffic. This position is being...

Salary:

\$53,717.00 - \$69,827.00 / Per Year

Series & Grade:

GS-0802-09/09

Location(s):

North Chicago, Illinois

Open Period:

1/29/2016 to 2/11/2016

Announcement Number:

NCBG168197441612047DR

Department:

Department of the Army

Agency:

U.S. Military Entrance Processing Command

Position Info:

Full Time - Permanent

Who May Apply:

United States Citizens

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Information Technology Specialist (Enterprise Architecture/Policy and Planning)

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...Entrance Processing Command (US MEPCOM), with headquarters in Building 3400, Great Lakes Naval Training Center, Great Lakes (North **Chicago**), IL, is a joint service command under the direction of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Military Personnel Policy...

Salary:

\$92,632.00 - \$120,427.00 / Per Year

Series & Grade:

GS-2210-13/13

Location(s):

North Chicago, Illinois

Open Period:

1/26/2016 to 2/4/2016

Announcement Number:

NCBG166844251606971DR

Department:

Department of the Army

Agency:

U.S. Military Entrance Processing Command

Position Info:

Full Time - Permanent

Who May Apply:

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Medical Technologist (Lead)

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...the Clinical Support Svc BLOOD DONOR PROCESSING DIV at the CAPT James A. Lovell Federal Health Care Center (FHCC) in North **Chicago**, IL. The FHCC is a first-of-its-kind partnership between the Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA), and Department of Navy...

Salary:

\$53,717.00 - \$69,827.00 / Per Year

Series & Grade:

GS-0644-09/09

Location(s):

North Chicago, Illinois

Open Period:

1/26/2016 to 2/12/2016

Announcement Number:

DK-16-JMc-1607945-BU

Department:

Department Of Veterans Affairs

Agency:

Veterans Affairs, Veterans Health Administration

Position Info:

Full Time - Excepted Service Permanent

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Licensed Practical Nurse (Community Living Center)

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...in the GERIATRICS AND MENTAL HEALTH EXTENDED CARE at the Captain James A. Lovell Federal Health Care Center (FHCC) in North **Chicago**, IL. The FHCC is a first-of-its-kind partnership between the Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA), and Department of Navy...

Salary:

\$46,792.00 - \$56,152.00 / Per Year

Series & Grade:

GS-0620-06/06

Location(s):

North Chicago, Illinois

Open Period:

1/13/2016 to 2/3/2016

Announcement Number:

DK-16-KM-1600393-BU

Department:

Department Of Veterans Affairs

Agency:

Veterans Affairs, Veterans Health Administration

Position Info:

Full Time - Excepted Service Permanent

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Social Worker (PACT)

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Salary:

\$53,717.00 - \$84,489.00 / Per Year

Series & Grade:

GS-0185-11/11

Location(s):

North Chicago, Illinois

Open Period:

1/22/2016 to 2/11/2016

Announcement Number:

DK-16-JMc-1603012-BU

Department:

Department Of Veterans Affairs

Agency:

Veterans Affairs, Veterans Health Administration

Position Info:

Full Time - Excepted Service Permanent

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Salary:

\$53,717.00 - \$84,489.00 / Per Year

Series & Grade:

GS-0185-00/00

Location(s):

North Chicago, Illinois

Open Period:

1/22/2016 to 2/11/2016

Announcement Number:

DK-16-JMc-1602912-BU

Department:

Department Of Veterans Affairs

Agency:

Veterans Affairs, Veterans Health Administration

Position Info:

Full Time - Excepted Service Permanent

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...regional offices (New York, NY; Atlanta, GA; Oakland/San Francisco, CA; El Segundo/Los Angeles, CA; Dallas, TX; Seattle, WA; **Chicago**, IL). The starting grade, pay and promotion potential will vary by position and location. Other locations may also be available...

Salary:

\$33,796.00 - \$56,342.00 / Per Year

Series & Grade:

FP-0301-09/09

Location(s):

[Multiple Locations](#) (8)

Open Period:

1/4/2016 to 1/3/2017

Announcement Number:

RPCV NCE

Agency:

Peace Corps

Position Info:

Schedule may depend on the needs of the office - Term Limits cannot exceed 60 mo

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Test Administrator

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Salary:

\$13.84 - \$17.99 / Per Hour

Series & Grade:

GS-0303-04/04

Location(s):

Cedar Rapids, Iowa

Open Period:

1/29/2016 to 2/7/2016

Announcement Number:

NCBG161725121611707D

Department:

Department of the Army

Agency:

U.S. Military Entrance Processing Command

Position Info:

Intermittent - Permanent

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IMMIGRATION OFFICER (FRAUD DETECTION AND NATIONAL SECURITY)

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...step 10). Apply for this exciting opportunity to become a member of the Fraud Detection and National Security Directorate, **Chicago**, Illinois within U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services. THIS IS NOT A LAW ENFORCEMENT (COVERED) POSITION. For definitions...

Salary:

\$43,915.00 - \$69,827.00 / Per Year

Series & Grade:

GS-1801-07/09

Location(s):

Chicago, Illinois

Open Period:

1/27/2016 to 2/1/2016

Announcement Number:

CIS-PJN-1605908-D14/FDS

Department:

Department Of Homeland Security

Agency:

Citizenship and Immigration Services

Position Info:

Full Time - Permanent

Who May Apply:

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CIVIL ENGINEER (HYDRAULICS)

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...the Position: Serves as a Civil Engineer (Hydraulics) for the Design Branch, Hydrology/Environmental Engineering Section. The **Chicago** District Corps of Engineers offers transportation subsidies for using public transportation. The building offers a cafe and...

Salary:

\$64,992.00 - \$101,269.00 / Per Year

Series & Grade:

GS-0810-11/12

Location(s):

Chicago, Illinois

Open Period:

1/20/2016 to 2/3/2016

Announcement Number:

SWGJ161613131603970D

Department:

Department of the Army

Agency:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Position Info:

Full Time - Permanent

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[Nursing Assistant-Mental Health](#)

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...Northwest Arkansas has an excellent airport with direct flights to Dallas, Charlotte, Atlanta, Los Angeles, New York City, **Chicago**, Houston, and Denver. For additional information go to <http://www.experiencefayetteville.com/index.php> or <http://www.accessfayetteville...>

Salary:

\$32,318.00 - \$42,012.00 / Per Year

Series & Grade:

GS-0621-05/05

Location(s):

Fayetteville, Arkansas

Open Period:

1/21/2016 to 2/11/2016

Announcement Number:

KT-16-IJS-R1606201-BU

Department:

Department Of Veterans Affairs

Agency:

Veterans Affairs, Veterans Health Administration

Position Info:

Full Time - Permanent

Who May Apply:

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Park Ranger (Sculptor), GS-0025-05

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...Sherman and Farragut monuments in New York City, the Shaw Memorial in Boston, MA the Standing and Seated Lincoln Memorials in **Chicago**, IL, as well as the 1907 ten and twenty dollar gold coins and over 100 portrait reliefs. Aspet was his summer residence from...

Salary:

\$15.15 - \$15.15 / Per Hour

Series & Grade:

GS-0025-05/05

Location(s):

Cornish Flat, New Hampshire

Open Period:

1/4/2016 to 2/1/2016

Announcement Number:

HRCSS-SAGA-16-1565203

Department:

Department Of The Interior

Agency:

National Park Service

Position Info:

Full Time - Temporary NTE 1039 Hours

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Testing is offered on easy to use touch screen computers. Applicants are allowed at least 90 minutes to answer the questions on automated tests. On tests with a larger number of questions or more complex questions (Human Resources Assistant & Associate; Data Processing Specialist & Administrative Specialist; Disability Claims Adjudicator Trainee; Insurance Analyst II; Revenue Tax Specialist Trainee; Social Services Career Trainee; Telecommunicate Trainee), more time is allowed to complete the exam.

Public use copiers are not available at the Assessment Centers. Therefore, it is important that applicants bring with them copies of their application for each title and test option for which they want to test.

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James R. Thompson Center

100 W. Randolph, Suite 3-300

Chicago, IL 60601-3220

(312) 793-3565 (voice)

Illinois Relay Center 800) 526-0844

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY ONLY -- Flexible Schedule Testing Check in time for tests - clerical and non-clerical is anytime between 8:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. (Exception for Data Processing Administrative Specialist, Data Processing Specialist, Disability Claims Adjudicator Trainee, HR Asst., HR Assoc., Insurance Analyst II, Revenue Tax Spec. Tr., Social Services Career Trainee, Telecommunicate Trainee and Dictation exams; for these titles you must arrive and be ready to test before 12:30 p.m.) ***NOTE: A government-issued photo ID is required in order to enter the JRTC building.

GET MORE INFO: <http://work.illinois.gov/default.htm>

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What is the CTA Second Chance Program?

The CTA Second Chance Program is an initiative offered in conjunction with the City of Chicago and social service agencies throughout the city. Working closely with the Department of Family and Support Services, hard-to-place individuals are given an opportunity to obtain full-time employment and training which may enable a start of a long-term, meaningful career.

How to apply

Jobseekers need to actively participate in one of the 13 designated agencies' work readiness programs. The CTA Second Chance program is in regular communication with the agencies listed below. The agencies' top participants are referred to CTA for the bus servicer and rail car servicer Second Chance positions.

[Click Here For the 13 Designated Agencies](#)

What are the eligibility requirements and qualifications?

- Job seekers interested in participating must:
 - Reside within the City of Chicago
 - Be 18 years or older
 - Participate in 8-10 weeks of Job Readiness Training and obtain a certificate of completion from one of the 13 referring agencies.
- Second Chance participants that are referred are required to be released from the following:
 - House arrest (wearing metal band/bracelet)
 - Drug/alcohol program (i.e. Methadone treatment)
 - Work release center

How many Second Chance positions are available?

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Up to 265 Second Chance participants may be employed by CTA in one calendar year. Start and end dates per Second Chance participant are on a rolling basis.

How long does the program last?

Based on job performance and attendance, a participant may serve for 12 months or more.

How much does the program pay?

Participants are paid at a rate of \$10.00 per hour and may work up to 40 hours per week. Pay checks are issued on a bi-weekly pay period.

How is a participant selected?

As positions become available, CTA contacts the referring agencies. Referring agencies recommend applicants who they have screened and who have successfully completed the job readiness program.

Once the referring agency recommends an applicant, what happens?

- Applicants are fingerprinted for background processing.
- Applicants complete a medical review.
- If the applicant passes background and medical what are the next steps?
 - Orientation/pre-hire
 - Applicants attend a new employee orientation thoroughly outlining program guidelines, eligibility requirements, job functions, placements, and Union participation.
 - Completion of all hiring documentation and application inserts
 - Training
 - Participants are required to complete a (paid) safety training prior to reporting to assigned work location.

Once in the program, what are the expectations?

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- 30-day reviews are conducted throughout the duration by immediate supervisors within their assigned work location
- The overall performance and attendance/tardiness of each apprentice is scored.
- Supervisors and apprentices are required to review the scoring of the evaluations, solicit feedback and address any questions or concerns.
- Agencies provide individual case management on each apprentice and maintain periodic contact.

What happens when the participant successfully completes the program?

- Participants in good standing receive a certificate of completion and letter of reference from CTA.
- Providing there are no additional arrests or convictions on the participant's record, the Second Chance program participant is encouraged to apply for CTA vacancies.

Who can you call if you have questions?

If you still have questions about this program, you can contact the CTA Second Chance Hotline

- 312-681-2293.



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10 Reasons to Consider Joining the Armed Forces

Whether you are considering the military out of a sense of Patriotism or duty, for action and adventure, or for a steady job in a depressed economy, there is something for everyone. Here are 10 reasons the military may be a good fit for you.



1. Patriotism, defending our nation, and a sense of duty. Military service is a time-honored way to serve others first. Walter Reuther is quoted as saying, "There is no greater calling than to serve your fellow men. There is no greater contribution than to help the weak. There is no greater satisfaction than to have done it well." (Source). This quote sums up what it means to serve. When you join the military, you learn the true meaning of service.

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2. Jobs in a down economy. The US has experienced a difficult economy over the last few years, including high levels of unemployment, rising costs, and the outsourcing of many jobs. If you are looking for employment, consider the military, which continues to offer jobs for those who are qualified medically and academically, and who do not have an extensive criminal record.

3. Pay and benefits. A new second lieutenant starts at over \$36,000 a year plus full benefits, not including added monthly allowances of up to \$3,000, depending on where he or she is stationed. An enlisted person starts at around \$20,000 a year plus full benefits, not including added monthly allowances of up to \$1,500 depending on where he or she is stationed. Enlistment and re-enlistment bonuses can be over \$20,000. After serving only 3 years, some nuclear trained enlisted members in the Navy receive bonuses of \$90,000 for re-enlisting. Student loans can be relieved by up to \$65,000. The military is also one of the few places where you can get a full pension after serving 20 years or more. Military can reach 50-75% of the average of your final three years base salary. In some instances, you can receive more than 75% of your base pay in retirement.

4. Full medical coverage for you and your family. Military members are immediately eligible for full health care benefits for themselves and their immediate family members as soon as they enter the service, and if you stay through until retirement, you and your family can take these benefits with you when you leave the military. These health benefits extend to immediate family (e.g. spouses and children, and sometimes dependent parents). You may also be eligible for temporary military healthcare benefits after you leave the service.

5. Skills and training. The military provides advanced technical training in a variety of career fields and also offers opportunities for additional training when you are off-duty. Many military members are able to attend college that is often paid for by tuition assistance. You can use your training

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opportunities to advance within your career field, earn certifications or degrees, or prepare yourself to transition back into civilian life.

6. Leadership opportunities. Military leadership is a great way to get your resume for your next career. If you were to hire someone, would you want to hire someone with proven skills and experience and a degree, or someone right out of high school/college? Give me the experienced professional any day of the week! (More tips for creating your post-military resume).

7. Travel opportunities and vacation time. The military has installations all around the world and pays for you and your family to get there and back. Your off duty time is yours and you are free to travel and see the world. The military gives you 30 days of paid leave per year, not including weekends and federal holidays, depending on your job.

Benefits after Leaving the Service

8. Education opportunities after you leave the military. The new GI Bill pays veterans who served at least 36 months a monthly living stipend and full tuition to pay for college, after they leave the military. Depending on how long the service member commits, this GI Bill can be transferred to spouses and children.

9. Buy a home with no money down with a VA Loan. The Veterans Affairs office offers veterans a way to purchase a home with no money down through the VA Loan. This makes it easier to purchase a home while you are serving, or after you have left the service.

10. A military retirement is worth millions. An officer with 20 years of service, who earns over \$100,000 per year, could retire with a pension of over \$48,000 per year for life in his or her 40's and start a second career. Imagine earning over \$4000 per month for the rest of one's life, starting

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at age 42. This equates to an accumulative pay of \$480,000, \$960,000, \$1.4 million in 10, 20, and 30 years, respectively, in addition to having full health care coverage and an income from a second job, if desired. (Oh, and those numbers don't account for annual cost of living adjustments which increase your monthly pension).

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