

# **ACTUARIAL ANALYST**

**Exam Code: 2PBCS** 

**Department:** State of California **Exam Type:** Servicewide, Open **Final Filing Date:** Continuous

### **CLASSIFICATION DETAILS**

Actuarial Analyst - \$4,622.00 - \$8,334.00 per month

**View the Actuarial Analyst classification specification** 

### APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Final Filing Date: Continuous

### Who Should Apply:

Applicants who meet the minimum qualifications as stated on this bulletin may apply for and take this examination.

Once you have taken this examination, you may not retake it for **twelve (12)** months.

### **How To Apply:**

The link to connect to the Training and Experience Evaluation is located farther down on this bulletin in the "Taking the Exam" section.

#### **Special Testing Arrangements:**

If you require special testing arrangements due to a verified disability or medical condition, please contact:

California Department of Human Resources CalCareer Service Center 1810 16<sup>th</sup> Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Phone: (866) 844-8671

Email: CalCareer@CalHR.CA.GOV

California Relay Service: 7-1-1 (TTY and voice)

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### MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

All applicants must meet the education and/or experience requirements as stated on this exam bulletin to be accepted into the examination. Part-time or full-time jobs, regardless of whether paid or volunteer positions, and inside or outside California state service will count toward experience.

### **Actuarial Analyst:**

#### **Education:**

Possession of a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university. Registration as a senior in a recognized institution will admit applicants to the examination, but they must produce evidence of graduation or its equivalent before they can be considered eligible for appointment.

### POSITION DESCRIPTION

#### **Actuarial Analyst**

This classification is the entry level in the series where incumbents may perform calculations using basic prescribed actuarial or statistical methodologies; manage data in databases by inputting and verifying data, and moving data between systems; review/analyze data to identify trends or errors; compile data needed to perform analysis or validation, including identifying the data needed and accessing data from multiple electronic or written sources; review pricing/valuation assumptions and/or rates; conduct preliminary actuarial analyses or valuations to verify the accuracy and reasonability of premiums/contributions, rates, reserves/liability, or other related factors; develop preliminary organizational and/or fund liability/reserve positions and reasonability using actuarial, statistical and economic principles, practices, and methods; review and analyze rate changes or rate change filings to determine whether

requested changes comply with actuarial standards or statutory requirements; prepare or review present value valuations; prepare memoranda of proposed actions and recommendations; draft issue papers, written procedures and manuals; submit operational or financial data, reports, and inquiry responses to internal or external parties as required; work on special projects and assignments which may include participating on field examinations and doing research to obtain information needed by staff actuaries; participate in special studies, investigations, and/or analyses at the request of management.

### **EXAMINATION SCOPE**

This examination consists of the following components:

**Training and Experience Evaluation –** Weighted 100% of the final score.

The examination will consists solely of a **Training and Experience Evaluation.** To obtain a position on the eligible list, a minimum score of 70% must be received. Applicants will receive their score upon completion of the Training and Experience Evaluation process.

In addition to evaluating applicants' relative knowledge, skills, and ability, as demonstrated by quality and breadth of education and/or experience, emphasis in each exam component will be measuring competitively, relative job demands, each applicant's:

## Knowledge of:

- 1. Mathematical operations such as fractions, ratios, and percentages, to analyze, process, summarize, verify, or present numerical data
- 2. Statistical procedures such as those related to inferential statistics (e.g., probabilities, confidence intervals, correlations, regression) to analyze, process, summarize, verify, or present numerical data

### **Ability to:**

- 1. Use logic and reasoning to identify the strengths and weaknesses of alternative solutions, conclusions or approaches to problems
- 2. Compose professional, clear, accurate, complete and concise reports and other correspondence to communicate and document information and data
- 3. Create charts and graphs using various computer programs (e.g., Excel, Power Point, Access) to summarize data and make presentations
- 4. Detect errors or recognize unreasonable data, assumptions and results

### **ELIGIBLE LIST INFORMATION**

A servicewide, open eligible list for the Actuarial Analyst classification will be established for the State of California (all State of California departments, statewide).

The names of successful competitors will be merged onto the eligible list in order of final score regardless of exam date. Eligibility expires **twelve (12) months** after it is established. Applicants must then retake the examination to reestablish eligibility.

Veterans' Preference will be granted for this examination. In accordance with Government Codes 18973.1 and 18973.5, whenever any veteran, or widow or widower of a veteran achieves a passing score on an open examination, he or she shall be ranked in the top rank of the resulting eligible list.

Veterans status is verified by the California Department of Human Resources (CalHR). Information on this program and <u>the Veterans' Preference Application</u> (Std. form 1093) is available online. Additional information on veteran benefits is available at the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Career Credits will not be added to the final score for this exam, because it does not meet the requirements to qualify for Career Credits.

### **EXAMINATION INFORMATION**

**Preview of the Actuarial Analyst Training and Experience Evaluation** 

### PREPARING FOR THE EXAMINATION

Here is a list of suggested resources to have available prior to taking the exam.

**Employment History:** Employment dates, job titles, organization names and addresses, names of supervisors or persons who can verify your job responsibilities, and phone numbers of persons listed above.

**Education:** School names and addresses, degrees earned, dates attended, courses taken (verifiable on a transcript), persons or office who can verify education, and phone numbers of persons or offices listed above.

**Training:** Class titles, certifications received, names of persons who can verify your training, and phone numbers of persons listed above.

### TAKING THE EXAMINATION

We recommend using Chrome, Firefox, or Edge for optimal performance when accessing the examination.

Take the Actuarial Analyst examination

### TESTING DEPARTMENTS

State of California (all State of California departments)

### CONTACT INFORMATION

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### **EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER**

The State of California is an equal opportunity employer to all, regardless of age, ancestry, color, disability (mental and physical), exercising the right of family care and medical leave, gender, gender expression, gender identity, genetic information, marital status, medical condition, military or veteran status, national origin, political affiliation, race, religious creed, sex (includes pregnancy, childbirth, breastfeeding, and related medical conditions), and sexual orientation.

### **DRUG-FREE STATEMENT**

It is an objective of the State of California to achieve a drug-free State work place. Any applicant for State employment will be expected to behave in accordance with this objective, because the use of illegal drugs is inconsistent with the law of the State, the rules governing civil service, and the special trust placed in public servants.

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Examination and/or Employment Application (STD 678) forms are available at the California Department of Human Resources, local offices of the Employment Development Department, and through your <u>CalCareer Account.</u>

If you meet the requirements stated on this examination bulletin, you may take this examination, which is competitive. Possession of the entrance requirements does not assure a place on the eligible list. Your performance in the examination described in this bulletin will be rated against a predetermined job-related rating, and all applicants who pass will be ranked according to their score.

The California Department of Human Resources (CalHR) reserves the right to revise the examination plan to better meet the needs of the service, if the circumstances under

which this examination was planned change. Such revision will be in accordance with civil service laws and rules and all applicants will be notified.

General Qualifications: Applicants must possess essential personal qualifications including integrity, initiative, dependability, good judgement, the ability to work cooperatively with others, and a state of health consistent with the ability to perform the assigned duties of the class. A medical examination may be required. In open examinations, investigation may be made of employment records and personal history and fingerprinting may be required.

Eligible Lists: Eligible lists established by competitive examination, regardless of date, must be used in the following order: 1) sub-divisional promotional, 2) departmental promotional, 3) multi-departmental promotional, 4) servicewide promotional, 5) departmental open, 6) open. When there are two lists of the same kind, the older must be used first. Eligible lists will expire in one to four years unless otherwise stated on the bulletin.

High School Equivalence: Equivalence to completion of the 12<sup>th</sup> grade may be demonstrated in any one of the following ways: 1) passing the General Education Development (GED) Test; 2) completion of 12 semester units of college-level work; 3) certification form the State Department of Education, a local school board, or high school authorities that the competitor is considered to have education equivalent to graduation from high school; or 4) for clerical and accounting classes, substitution of business college work in place of high school on a year-for-year basis.