Audiologist I

Exam Code: 3MH71

Administering Department: Department of State Hospitals
Exam Type: Servicewide, Open
Final Filing Date: Continuous
Class Code: 8299

CLASSIFICATION DETAILS

Audiologist I – $4,707 - $6,485 per month.

Salary updated as of: July 1, 2020

View the Audiologist I, Department of Mental Health and Development Services classification specification

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Final Filing Date: Continuous

Applications are accepted on a continuous basis. The cut-off-dates are the first Friday of each month. All completed applications and Training and Experience examinations submitted by each cut-off-date will be processed for that administration.

Note: Applications and examinations may be processed on a flow basis prior to the cut-off-date to meet the hiring needs of the department.

Dates printed on envelopes by mobile barcodes or equivalent mobile print technology are not acceptable proof of the date the application and any other required documents or materials were filed.
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.

Unless otherwise stated on this bulletin, you must meet the Minimum Qualifications by the Final Filing Date or cut-off-date stated above.

How to Apply:

Applicants are required to submit an Examination Application (STD 678), found at www.calcareers.ca.gov, either by mail, in person, or via email to the address listed below.

The preferred method to apply is by emailing your STD 678 to:

AudiologistIDMHandDDS@dsh.ca.gov

Electronic signatures are acceptable.

You may apply by mail or in person to:
Department of State Hospitals – Sacramento
Attn: Selection Services Unit, MS-14
1215 O Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Indicate the Classification on your Examination Application (STD 678).

In person hours: Monday through Friday, 8am to 5pm (excluding State holidays)

Special Testing Arrangements:

If you require assistance or alternative testing arrangements due to a disability, please contact the testing department listed in the Contact Information section of this bulletin.

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.

Possession of a valid license to practice audiology in California as determined by the Speech Pathology and Audiology Examining Committee of the California Board of

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Medical Quality Assurance. (Includes possession of a Master's Degree in Audiology or deemed equivalent as defined by the Speech Pathology and Audiology Examining Committee.)

(Applicants who are in the process of securing approval of their qualifications by the Speech Pathology and Audiology Examining Committee will be admitted to the examination but they must meet all the legal requirements in order to be eligible for appointment.)

SPECIAL PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS

Sympathetic and objective understanding of the developmentally disabled and mentally disabled; tolerance, tact, emotional stability; willingness to work in a State institution.

DRUG TESTING REQUIREMENT

Applicants for positions in this class are required to pass a drug screening test. Testing of current employees who are applicants in an examination or who are transferring is permitted only if the person does not have a current appointment to a class for which drug testing is a requirement.

POSITION DESCRIPTION

This is the working level in this series. Under direction, incumbents in these classes administer diagnostic tests to identify residents with hearing impairments and to determine the nature and extent of hearing disorders; provide individual and group habilitative and rehabilitative services; prepare reports and summaries on diagnosis, prognosis, progress, and recommendations for assigned cases; confer with teachers, parents, and employees regarding progress and treatment; train parents and ward or unit employees in therapeutic procedures and methods of motivation; coordinate therapy with other treatment personnel; participate in research projects; may supervise the work of Audiologist License Applicants.

EXAMINATION SCOPE

This examination consists of the following components:

Training and Experience Evaluation – Weighted 100% of the final score. The examination will consist solely of a Training and Experience Evaluation. To obtain a position on the eligible list, a minimum score of 70% must be received.

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:

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Knowledge of:

1. Knowledge of principles and practices of audiology.
2. Knowledge of diagnostic and measurement techniques applicable to the evaluation of hearing disorders.
3. Knowledge of physical, physiological and psychological basis of hearing impairment.
4. Knowledge of principles of psychology and teaching.
6. Knowledge of non-oral communication systems such as sign language.

Ability to:

1. Ability to administer various types of diagnostic tests measuring hearing disorders, interpret and evaluate test results.
2. Ability to adapt remedial aural rehabilitation techniques to the needs of the developmentally disabled and mentally disabled.
3. Ability to supervise and instruct others in audiological evaluation and treatment techniques to meet the needs of the developmentally disabled.
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ELIGIBLE LIST INFORMATION

A Servicewide, Open eligible list for the Audiolist I, Departments of Mental Health & Development Services classification will be established for use by all state agencies.

The names of successful competitors will be merged onto the eligible list in order of final score regardless of exam date. Eligibility expires 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 the Veterans’ Preference Application (Std. form 1093) is available online at the following website:

https://www.jobs.ca.gov/CalHRPublic/Landing/Jobs/VeteransInformation.aspx

Additional information on veteran benefits is available at the Department of Veterans Affairs.

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Career credits are not granted for examinations administered on an Open or Promotional basis.

**PREPARING FOR THE EXAMINATION**

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

1. **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.
2. **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.
3. **Training:** Class titles, certifications received, names of persons who can verify your training, and phone numbers of persons listed above.

**TAKING THE EXAMINATION**

To be considered as a candidate, step 1 and 2 must be completed.

- If step 1 and 2 are not completed; the application will not be reviewed and/or the examination will not be scored.
- After you complete steps 1 and 2, the application will be reviewed to determine that the Minimum Qualifications are met, then the examination will be processed and you will receive your results by mail within 4 - 6 weeks of the cut-off date stated above.

NOTE: Sending an application for a job or position is NOT the same process as sending an application for this examination.

Step 1. Submit your application following the instructions above.

Step 2. Click on this link to take the Audiologist I, Departments of Mental Health and Development Services examination.

**TESTING DEPARTMENTS**

Department of State Hospitals

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

Questions relating to this exam should be directed to:

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Selection Services Unit
Monday through Friday, 8am to 5pm (excluding State Holidays)
Phone: 916-651-8832
Email: AudiologistIDMHandDDS@dsh.ca.gov

California Relay Service: 1-800-735-2929 (TTY), 1-800-735-2922 (Voice). TTY is a Telecommunications Device for the Deaf, and is reachable only from phones equipped with a TTY Device.

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 CalCareer Account at the following website: http://www.CalCareers.ca.gov/

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 Department of State Hospitals 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. This examination may be canceled by the Department of State Hospitals at any time prior to the establishment of the employment list. Such revision or cancelation will be in accordance with civil service laws and rules and all applicants will be notified.

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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 12th 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.