

Customs has a major program to improve the nation-wide processing of imported merchandise through automation. The continuing expansion of world trade, the sharp increase in the number and variety of jobs that Customs performs for other U.S. Government agencies, and the step-up of our responsibilities in the area of law enforcement have combined to create a phenomenal growth in the Customs workload. Automation has led to a savings in time and paperwork involved in processing merchandise imports and the improvement of Customs overall law enforcement and revenue-collecting capabilities.

Customs data processing positions are located primarily in the Washington, D.C., headquarters office. Appointment to a position in the computer field requires eligibility on a civil service examination register.

Government-wide qualification requirements apply to **Card Punch Operator**, **Computer Aid/Technician**, **Computer Operator**, and **Computer Programmer** positions in the Customs Service. For positions above the entry level, specialized experience as indicated below will be required.

Systems Analysts. You need specialized experience in analyzing systems requirements, designing advanced business applications, and programming in COBOL or other high-level languages using remote terminals.

Equipment Analysts. You need specialized experience in determining functional requirements for hardware systems, developing detailed specifications, and designing and developing hardware systems to support on-line communications-oriented applications involving a multi-computer network.

Computer Specialists. You should have



specialized experience in at least two of the following areas: programming, systems analysis, or equipment analysis.

Experience in real-time message switching systems, and for some positions a background in law enforcement is desirable.

To Apply

Establish eligibility on the appropriate civil service examination register.

All applicants will receive consideration without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, sex, or age.

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