



OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE

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General Position Information

Job Title: Policy Staff Officer

Position Number: CO069

Position Grade: GS-13

Salary Range: \$87,198 – \$134,798 (not applicable for detailees)

Vacancy Open Period: 09/27/2021 – 10/12/2021

Position Type: Cadre, Detailee

Who May Apply: Internal and External Candidates, Detailees

Division: DNI/COO

Duty Location: McLean, VA

Security Clearance: TS/SCI with CI Polygraph

Travel Required: 0-25% Travel

Relocation Expenses: For new ODNI employees, reimbursement for relocation is discretionary based on availability of funds.

Job Interview Travel: Candidates from outside the Washington, D.C., area may be selected for a telephone, teleconference, or in-person interview. If selected for an in-person interview, any travel or lodging will be at the applicant's personal expense.

Position Information

This is an opportunity for:

- An external candidate to fill a GS -13 cadre position.
- A Federal Government employee to serve on a two-year reimbursable detail assignment in the ODNI. The detail assignment may be extended an additional year if all parties agree.

Who May Apply

Current GS employees at the same grade or up to one grades lower than the advertised position grade may apply.

Former members of the Peace Corps may be considered for ODNI employment only if five full years have elapsed since separation from the Peace Corps.

- For a cadre assignment:
 - Current ODNI permanent cadre.



- Current Federal Government employees. (Current GS employees at the same grade or up to one grade lower than the advertised positions grade may apply.)
- Candidates outside the Federal Government.
- Current ODNI Staff Reserve Employees. (A staff reserve employee who currently occupies this position may not apply.)
- For a detailee assignment:
 - Current Federal Government employees at the same grade or up to one grade lower than the advertised positions grade may apply.

Salary Determination

- The ODNI uses a rank-in-person system in which rank is attached to the individual. A selected ODNI candidate or other Federal Government candidate will be assigned to the position at the employee's current GS grade and salary.
- A current Federal Government employee, selected for a detail, will be assigned to the position at his or her current grade and salary.
- For a selected non-Federal Government candidate, salary will be established within the salary range listed above, based on education and experience.

Component Mission

The Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) Chief Operating Officer (COO) has the responsibility for advising the Director of National Intelligence (DNI) and administering the DNI's vision and direction to the ODNI enterprise. This includes synchronizing policy, plans, procedures, and cross-functional issues. The COO is responsible for integrating the ODNI staff to execute all missions and tasks designated by the DNI and the Principal Deputy Director of National Intelligence (PDDNI), and for overseeing the internal management of the ODNI.

The COO oversees all ODNI business operations, including such areas as human resources, diversity & inclusion, finance and budget, information technology, security, facilities, and information management. The COO is also responsible for ODNI's emergency planning.

The COO Policy Action Group (PAG) serves as the action arm for the development and Implementation of corporate programs, policies, and initiatives for the betterment of the ODNI workforce. Within the COO will ensure full and effective coordination between all potential stakeholders, work closely with the ODNI Management Advisory Group (MAG) and Employee Resource Groups (ERGs) to de-conflict efforts and bring ideas to fruition, generate formal proposals on new initiatives in the form of white papers and presentations, and serve as the office of primary responsibility for these initiatives throughout policy development and governance processes, workforce messaging, pilots, and final rollout.



Major Duties and Responsibilities (MDRs)

Review and analyze policies, processes, and guidelines that are contained in United States Government (USG) and Intelligence Community (IC) Directives, Policy Guidance, Standards, plans, and memoranda to ensure equities are captured and relevant concerns are resolved.

Develop and conduct substantive intelligence briefings, presentations, reports, and other materials to inform senior leadership and other stakeholders on policy issues.

Research, evaluate, and communicate policy needs, trends, and developments to organizational leadership, senior policymakers, and other senior USG officials.

Support corporate initiatives for the betterment of the ODNI workforce, working closely with stakeholders throughout the ODNI to coordinate policy, guidance, process improvements, and standard operating procedures.

Coordinate, and serve as a policy staff officer on corporate initiatives throughout the internal management processes, constantly seeking to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of new or revised proposals.

Conduct analyses, develop proposals, and draft recommendations pertaining to corporate initiatives.

Engage with ODNI customers and leadership; collaborate with IC, USG, and Private Sector partners on best practices.

Develop, evaluate, and analyze project proposals and action plans, to include resource needs.

Integrate issues that cross multiple ODNI lines of responsibility to ensure a fully vetted and coordinated approach is presented to ODNI senior management for review and approval.

Develop and test new ideas or constructs to enhance the effectiveness of the ODNI workforce and improve the professionalization of the staff.

Mandatory and Educational Requirements

Written and oral communication skills with ability to articulate complex intelligence issues to a wide audience, including the ability to write policy or analytic products for the senior USG officials and the IC workforce.

Knowledge of and experience in the research, formulation, development, and coordination of policies and directives, including thorough knowledge of qualitative and/or quantitative methods for policy development and assessment.

Ability to build and sustain professional networks and collaborate with both management and staff to continuously improve community relationships, products, and services.

Interpersonal, organizational, and problem-solving skills, including ability to work independently and in a collaborative environment effectively with senior officials, management, teams, and colleagues.

Proven track record of managing and coordinating projects, to include planning and executing related actions, and providing periodical status updates.



Ability to track and monitor benchmarks of performance, continually improving the associated data and analytics; and to manage information in compliance with regulations.

Desired Requirements

Knowledge of IC and ODNI administrative policies, procedures, and authorities.

Experience in program or project management or business administration, as well as the ability to manage complex strategic tasks and business operations.

Knowledge of the internal and external ODNI decision processes and the timelines for when decisions need to be made to influence the long-term investment of resources to change or adjust mission direction.

Key Requirements and How to Apply

Internal ODNI Candidates:

A complete application package must include:

- a. **RESUME:** Applicants are encouraged to carefully review the vacancy announcement, particularly the MDRs, and construct their resume to highlight their most significant experience and qualifications relevant to this job opportunity.
- b. **PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS:** Applicants are required to provide their two most recent performance evaluations. A justification is required in the cover letter if the applicant is unable to provide the two most recent evaluations.
- c. **VACANCY NUMBER:** Reference the vacancy number in the subject line of the email and on each document submitted.
- d. **COVER LETTER:** Applicants must submit a cover letter as a supplement to the resume to elaborate on their qualifications and previous work performed.

WHERE TO SUBMIT: *Internal ODNI Cadre Candidates must submit an application through the classified [JobsDNI website](#).* For current employees who do not currently have access to internal systems, applications should be sent to either DNI-HR-HRM-TEAMA-Mailbox@cia.ic.gov (classified email system) or Recruitment_TeamA@dni.gov (unclassified email system). Applicants experiencing technical issues may submit their application via email to either email system.

Applications submitted through the classified email system should NOT contain classified information above the TS//SI//TK//NOFORN level.

External Candidates:

Key Requirements:

- U.S. Citizenship.
- Successful completion of CI polygraph and background investigation.
- Successful completion of an ODNI medical screening.



- A two-year trial period is required for all new permanent appointments to the ODNI.

A complete application must include:

- RESUME:** Applicants are encouraged to carefully review the vacancy announcement, particularly the MDRs, and construct their resume to highlight their most significant experience and qualifications relevant to this job opportunity.
- PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS:** Applicants are required to provide their two most recent performance evaluations. A justification is required in the cover letter if the applicant is unable to provide the two most recent evaluations.
- VACANCY NUMBER:** Reference the vacancy number in the subject line of the email and on each document submitted.
- COVER LETTER:** Applicants must submit a cover letter as a supplement to the resume to elaborate on their qualifications and previous work performed.
- SF-50:** Current or former Federal Government employees must provide an SF-50, "Notification of Personnel Action," to verify current federal status, position, title, grade, and organization of record.
- APPLICANTS CURRENTLY EMPLOYED BY A COMPETITIVE SERVICE AGENCY:** Must provide a written statement that they understand that, if selected for a position with ODNI, they are leaving the competitive service voluntarily to accept an appointment in the excepted service.

WHERE TO SUBMIT: *External Candidates must submit an application through the www.intelligencecareers.gov.* All attachments should be in Microsoft Word or Adobe PDF format.

CURRENT FEDERAL EMPLOYEES APPLYING FOR A DETAIL ASSIGNMENT:

Applicants from federal agencies within the Intelligence Community (IC) may be considered for this position as a reimbursable detailee, if endorsed by the employing agency. Applicants must have current TS/SCI clearances with polygraph or have the ability to obtain one. The ODNI does not conduct polygraphs or provide security clearances for detailees.

Applicants from federal agencies outside the IC must provide:

- WRITTEN ENDORSEMENT** from the employing agency concurring with the detail.
- RESUME:** Applicants are encouraged to carefully review the vacancy announcement, particularly the MDRs, and construct their resume to highlight their most significant experience and qualifications relevant to this job opportunity.
- PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS:** Applicants are required to provide their two most recent performance evaluations. A justification is required in the cover letter if the applicant is unable to provide the two most recent evaluations.



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- d. **VACANCY NUMBER:** Reference the vacancy number in the subject line of the email and on each document submitted.
- e. **CURRENT SF-50:** Federal Government employees must provide an SF-50, "Notification of Personnel Action" to verify current federal status, position, title, grade, and organization of record. Please disregard if you are not a Federal Government employee.
- f. **COVER LETTER:** Applicants must submit a cover letter as a supplement to the resume to elaborate on their qualifications and previous work performed.

WHERE TO SUBMIT: *Applicants from within the IC must submit an application through the classified [IC Joint Duty Program website](#).* Applicants from federal agencies outside the IC should be sent to either DNI-HR-HRM-TEAMA-Mailbox@cia.ic.gov (classified email system) or Recruitment_TeamA@dni.gov (unclassified email system). All attachments should be in Microsoft Word or Adobe PDF format.

Applications submitted through the classified email system should NOT contain classified information above the TS//SI//TK//NOFORN level.

All Applicants:

APPLICATION PACKAGES MUST CONTAIN ALL ITEMS LISTED ABOVE. AN INCOMPLETE APPLICATION PACKAGE WILL BE INELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION.

Your application MUST be received by midnight on the closing date of this announcement. Applications received after the closing date will NOT be eligible for consideration.

To verify receipt of your application package ONLY, you may call 703-275-3788.

What to Expect Next

The most highly qualified candidates will be referred to the hiring manager for further consideration and possible interview. We expect to make a selection within 30 days of the closing date of this announcement. Due to the large number of applications received, applicants will be contacted ONLY if they have been selected for an interview.

Agency Contact Information

ODNI Recruitment; Phone: 703-275-3788; Email: Recruitment_TeamA@dni.gov

Other Information

The ODNI offers a broad array of benefits programs and family friendly flexibilities for ODNI cadre.

- Federal Employees Health Benefits Program: <http://www.opm.gov/insure/health/index.asp>
- Life Insurance: <http://www.opm.gov/insure/life/index.asp>
- Long-Term Care Insurance: <http://www.ltcfeds.com>



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- Federal Employees Retirement SYSTEM (FERS) (new employees automatically covered): <http://www.opm.gov/retire/index.asp> If you are transferring from another agency and covered by the Civil Service Retirement System (CSRS), you may continue in that system.
- Annual and Sick Leave: <http://www.opm.gov/oca/leave/index.asp>
- Flexible Spending Accounts for Health Care and Dependent Care: <http://www.fsafeds.com/fsafeds/index.asp>
- Paid Federal Holidays
- Alternative Work Schedules

The ODNI is an equal opportunity employer and abides by applicable employment laws and regulations.

REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: The ODNI provides reasonable accommodations to otherwise qualified applicants with disabilities. IF YOU NEED A REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION for any part of the application and hiring process, please notify the Intelligence Community Equal Employment Opportunity and Diversity Office Representative by classified email at DNI_Reasonable_Accommodation_WMA@cia.ic.gov and DNI_Diversity_WMA@cia.ic.gov, by unclassified email at DNI_DRA@dni.gov, by telephone at 703-275-3900 or by FAX at 703-275-1217 . Your request for reasonable accommodation will be addressed on a case-by-case basis. **PLEASE DO NOT SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION TO THE EEOC EMAIL ADDRESS. THIS EMAIL IS FOR REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION REQUESTS ONLY. PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION VIA THE EMAIL ADDRESS PROVIDED IN THE 'HOW TO APPLY' SECTION ABOVE.**