



General Position Information

Job Title: EC017 – Cost Analyst - GS-15

Salary Range: \$102,663.00 - \$170,800.00

Vacancy Open Period: 1/4/2021 – 2/1/2021

Position Type: Cadre, Detailee

Who May Apply: Internal ODNI Candidates, Detailees

Division: PC/RCE

Duty Location: Bethesda, MD

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 internal candidate to fill a GS-15 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 two grades below the advertised position 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.
- For a detailee assignment:
 - Current Federal Government employees GS-15 and two grades below 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.

Component Mission

The Policy and Capabilities Directorate is focused on ensuring the IC is best postured to meet the future challenges and threats confronting our nation.

Major Duties and Responsibilities (MDRs)

- Lead a professional staff, assess performance, oversee goal setting, and provide feedback on personal and professional development. Interact with managers to ensure compliance and collaboration with policies which aides in developing the organizational culture.
- Oversee the calculation and forecasting of the future costs of systems, projects/programs, resources, to support independent studies, key strategic programs, investment decisions, and various management reviews (e.g. milestone reviews, budget reviews).
- Lead the development and research statistical tools and estimating methodologies based on historical systems acquisition costs schedules, and technical and programmatic data. Document, communicate, and defend/negotiate cost estimating products to decision makers and senior leaders.
- Lead, manage, and oversee cost estimating activities for major system acquisitions and coordinate those activities with the Intelligence Community (IC) cost groups, IC agencies and industry partners.
- Lead cost estimating efforts for major issue teams and conduct in-depth affordability assessments, alternative analysis and trade studies and implement innovative solutions to support program budget builds. Manage, plan, and conduct research projects leading to improved analytical concepts, methods, and techniques.
- Serve as a subject matter expert, provide technical expertise to evaluate program cost estimates and extended budget projections and identify and quantify budgetary, cost, schedule, technical, and programmatic risk factors related to programs. Serve on technical and financial boards and committees and oversee the development standards and techniques for evaluating adequacy of cost activities and capabilities.
- Direct the development of new cost estimating methods, tools and techniques and research and collect historical cost data on IC programs to support cost estimates and affordability assessments.
- Brief senior leadership and other major stakeholders as necessary on strategic budget, resource, acquisition and investment planning issues

Mandatory and Educational Requirements

- Superior leadership and managerial capabilities, including the ability to effectively task, assess and manage performance, and support personal and professional development of all levels of personnel.
- Superior oral and written communication skills that display a superior ability to tailor explanations and presentations to various audiences who have different values, cultures, and backgrounds. Superior ability to



work effectively with various levels of leadership within Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) and IC.

- Expert knowledge and experience in applying the principles, theories and methods of cost analysis, operations research, engineering, economic analysis and resource management to acquisition issues.
- Expert knowledge of and experience in estimating the cost of overhead IC collection systems including space, ground and tasking, processing, exploitation, and dissemination programs.
- Expert experience in designing and performing innovative cost analyses in support of trade studies, analysis of alternatives, affordability assessments, long term strategic planning and program development activities.
- Expert knowledge of analytic tools and data development, organization and analysis for use in studies and analyses. Superior ability to analyze data and use quantitative financial analysis; identify financial issues and present results to senior managers.
- Expert knowledge of IC acquisition processes, including planning, programming and budgeting.
- Ten years of progressively responsible professional cost estimating, quantitative analysis or operations research experience comparable to work functions performed a Senior Cost Estimator performance level

Desired Requirements

- Professional certification in cost estimating or related field highly desired including Department of Defense (DoD) Level III Cost Estimating, Society of Cost Estimating and Analysis, International Society of Parametric Analysis (ISAP) or similar certification
- Expert knowledge of ODNI priorities, its role in the IC, and its operational and legal constraints.
- Expert ability to develop consensus recommendations and to solicit input from colleagues and peers; proven ability to remain open-minded and change opinions on the basis of new information and requirements.
- Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university that includes a course of study of at least 24 semester hours in operations research, mathematics, statistics or other subject requiring competence in mathematical problem solving.

Key Requirements and How to Apply

Internal ODNI Candidates:

A complete application package 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.

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_COO_TM_HR_OPS_TEAM_B_WMA@cia.ic.gov (classified email system) or Recruitment_TeamB@dni.gov



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(unclassified email system). Applicants experiencing technical issues should contact the HR POC for guidance. Applicants submitting via JWICS are requested to submit their materials to both majettm@dni.ic.gov (*Maya M.*) and ZACKERN@dni.ic.gov (*Natalia Z.*) in lieu of the group address above.

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

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 within the IC must submit an application through the classified IC Joint Duty Program website.**

Applicants from federal agencies outside the IC must provide:

- a. **WRITTEN ENDORSEMENT** from the employing agency concurring with the detail.
- b. **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.
- c. **PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS:** Applicants are required to provide their two most recent performance evaluations. A justification is required in a cover letter if the applicant is unable to provide the two most recent evaluations.
- 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.

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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.



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: 301-243-1318; Email: Recruitment_TeamB@dni.gov

Other Information

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 703-275-3799 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.**