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Continuous Announcement

RETIREMENT COUNSELOR - 10875

Salary: \$31,488.00 - \$47,757.60
Announcement Date: August 7, 2007
Revised Date: September 1, 2008

JOB INFORMATION

The Retirement Counselor is a permanent, full-time position with the Retirement Systems of Alabama. Positions are located in Montgomery. This is technical work calculating service purchases and retirement allowance estimates.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENT

- Bachelor's degree from an accredited* four-year college or university with a degree in any major

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- Overnight Travel
- Valid Alabama driver's license at time of appointment

NOTE

- Applicants may apply for this position during their last semester of college; however, applicants will be required to submit documentation verifying completion of the Bachelor's degree to the hiring agency prior to beginning work.

BENEFITS

- Employer Paid Health/Dental Insurance (Single Coverage)
- Accrue Thirteen Annual Leave Days per Year
- Thirteen Paid Holidays per Year
- Flexible Employee Benefit Plans
- Optional Family Coverage (Health/Dental)
- Accrue Thirteen Sick Days per Year
- Retirement Plan
- Optional Deferred Compensation Plans

EXAMINATION

- **Open-Competitive** to all applicants
- **Written Multiple Choice Exam**
- The How to Prepare Guide for this examination is available on our web site listed above. Please contact State Personnel if you wish to have a guide mailed to you.

HOW TO APPLY

- Complete an Application for Examination Form available at www.personnel.state.al.us, the above address, or any Alabama Career Center Office.
- Apply on-line, by mail, or by fax. *Applications will be accepted until further notice.*

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*Please refer to the back of this announcement for complete information on State Personnel's policy for accepting post-secondary and advanced degrees.

Except for pretest information provided by State Personnel to all applicants, you should not directly or indirectly obtain information about examinations. If you do, the State Personnel Director may do several things. One, you may not be given an examination. Two, you may be disqualified after an examination. Three, your name may be removed from a register. Or four, your name may not be certified from the register. (Rules of the State Personnel Board, Chapter 670-x-9). According to the Code of Alabama, 36-26-47, a willful violation of exam security is a misdemeanor. Any person who is convicted of this type of misdemeanor will not get a state job. If they are officers or employees of the state, they will be required to forfeit their office or position for five years.

If you know of anyone who has violated this policy, you should contact the Examination Manager at the State Personnel Department.

State of Alabama Personnel Department Policy on Accepting College Coursework, Post-Secondary and Advanced Degrees

1. Specific college coursework required for a job, as well as Bachelor's, graduate, post graduate, and doctoral degrees will be accepted from the schools accredited by any of the six regional accreditation associations in the United States. These associations are listed below.

- Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS)
- Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools (MSA)
- Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU)
- North Central Association of Colleges and Schools – The Higher Learning Commission (NCA-HLC)
- New England Association of Schools and Colleges – Commission on Institutions of Higher Education (NEASC-CIHE)
- Western Association of Schools and Colleges – Accrediting Commission for Senior Colleges and Universities (WASC-ACSCU)

2. Coursework or degrees from schools that have not been accredited by a regional accreditation association will be accepted if a regionally accredited school considers the coursework or degree to be an acceptable prerequisite for admission to an advanced degree program. For example, if a regionally accredited school accepts an applicant's bachelor's degree for admittance into a graduate degree program, State Personnel will accept the degree. In the case of required college coursework (but no degree requirement), State Personnel will accept the college coursework if a regionally accredited school accepts the coursework towards a post-secondary degree (e.g., a bachelor's degree). **This must be documented by a letter of acceptance from the regionally accredited school.** State Personnel will review such requests on a case-by-case basis.

Note: This policy is subject to change. Certain state agencies may have additional requirements.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Persons Interested in Continuous Announcements

FROM: State Personnel Director

SUBJECT: Weekday Testing For:

**Clerk (10121)
Administrative Support Assistant I (10196)
Administrative Support Assistant II (10197)
Administrative Support Assistant III (10198)
Retirement Counselor (10875)
State Trooper (60203) every other month
State Capitol Police (60637)**

Effective immediately the State Personnel Department will administer the written test for the above job classifications once a month on a selected Friday.

Individuals wishing to take the written test on a Friday must call the State Personnel Department at (334) 353-3492 to receive instructions about the testing schedule.

TEST CENTER SPACE FOR FRIDAY TESTING IS LIMITED SO APPLICANTS WILL BE SCHEDULED ON A FIRST CALL/FIRST SERVE BASIS. SCHEDULED CANDIDATES WILL BE REQUIRED TO HAVE AN ACCEPTED APPLICATION IN STATE PERSONNEL OFFICE 7 DAYS PRIOR TO BEING TESTED. CANDIDATES WILL BE SENT A CARD BY MAIL AND MUST PRESENT THIS NOTIFICATION CARD AND A PICTURE IDENTIFICATION TO BE ADMITTED TO THE TEST.

Friday tests will be conducted **ONLY** in the office of the State Personnel Department located at the following address:

300 Folsom Administrative Building
64 North Union Street
Montgomery, Alabama 36130

NOTE: Friday testing will be offered in addition to the regular statewide testing conducted throughout the year for these job classifications on Saturdays.