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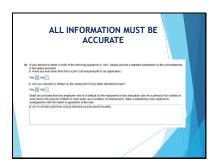


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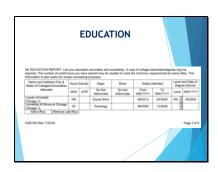
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Schools must have full name, city and state.

Technical/Professional license must have all information.

Education report must account for credit hours exactly.

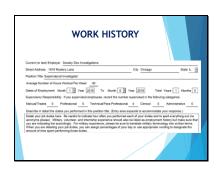
When filling out the credit hours the total hours must match what is claimed in the education report, i.e.: Millikin 100 hours, UIS 50 hours, total hours in the detailed credit report 165 hours would cause a problem.

Common mistake is to include transfer credits twice, i.e.: LLCC 30 hours, UIS 100 hours but in reality it is LLCC 30 hours and UIS 70 hours.

Shortened classes that still count for a full semester should be considered semester hours, i.e.: winter and summer sessions.



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Titles are available at http://work.Illinois.gov. You a separate CMS100 application for each title.

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CMS-100 APPLICATION SUMMARY

TIPS

- No resumes!
 Use correct application
 Separate application for each title
 Physically sign & date the applications
 Provide details
- · Include military and relevant volunteer
- experience

 List your work history in chronological order

 from most recent to oldest & address gaps

 Written request to change county

CMS100 is for external candidates. CMS100B is for current state employees. Please be sure to include the correct title, sign and date the application and provide all of the requested information about your education. Include details of work experience. Spell everything out avoid acronyms.

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CMS CAREER COUNSELING

- Complete and attach to the email your CMS-100 application.
- Indicate that you want counseling by email.
- Include your geographic employment preferences and salary requirements.
- Send your email your request, application and copy of transcripts to:

CMS.CounselingByEmail@Illinois.gov

STEP 2. GET A GRADE SUBMIT APPLICATION & PHOTOCOPY OF OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS TO THE AGENCY CONTACT LISTED ON THE JOB POSTING YOU ARE INTERESTED IN TESTING FOR SPECIFIC TITLES: TAKE APPLICATION AND COPY OF JOB POSTING TO A TESTING CENTER

Once you locate a posted vacancy you would like to apply for, print out a copy of that posting for your own future reference. You must have a grade to be considered for a position. Some titles require taking an exam at the CMS Testing Centers. Other titles are graded based on the information provided on the CMS100. A list of titles that require exams is available at http://work.illinois.gov.

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If you take an exam, you will receive your grade at the Testing Center. It is up to you to keep your grades and contact information current.



THE INTERVIEW

- Structured interview with panel, limited eyecontact. Covers knowledge, education, skills and experience.
- Point-based interview, 4 points total maximum score. Must include information in answer to be considered.
- Questions vary by agency and title. They are not available ahead of time.
- · Same questions, same order for each candidate
- Panel cannot accept references or additional documentation. Cannot explain or expand on questions.

Rutan is an unbiased interview process in which a panel interviews the candidate. The questions are asked in the same order for each candidate. The panel cannot repeat questions or explain questions. The interview is scored by points. Each question is worth 4 points. You must include the information in your answer if you want it to be counted in your scoring.

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THE INTERVIEW

- Q What is your degree? And how does it apply to this position?
- A I have a degree in business.
- A I have a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration. When I was studying for my degree, I took several computer courses, so I am very comfortable with computers and Microsoft Office. Also, my administration courses taught me effective time management and office procedures.

Be thorough and provide all relevant information in your answer. It is better to provide too much relevant information than not enough. However, do not ramble. Answer the question completely. You may ask to have the question repeated if needed.

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THE INTERVIEW

- Q Give an example of when you have had to deal with a difficult customer.
- A I deal with that every day.
- A I get along with everyone.
- A As a cashier, I have had to deal with some difficult or unhappy customers. I feel that the best way to handle that situation is to listen patiently, try to resolve their problem and ask a supervisor or co-worker for assistance if needed.

THE INTERVIEW

- TIPS

 Research the agency

 BE ON TIME BE EARLY

 Dress professionally

 Listen carefully

 Answer completely

 All information MUST be accurate

 Be thorough and concise highlight your skills & knowledge

Prepare for the interview by researching the position and agency. Listen carefully to the question and provide complete answers. Include all relevant information.

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THE JOB OFFER

- Background check, valid driver's license and proof of insurance, employment and education verification
- · Language testing
- · License and certifications
- Training and probationary period

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SUMMARY

TITLES POSTED ON CMS WEBSITE

LOOK UP TITLES AND REQUIREMENTS

COMPLETE CMS-100 FOR EACH TITLE AND GET A GRADE

KEEP CONTACT INFO AND GRADES CURRENT

CONTACT OES RECRUITMENT OR CMS FOR QUESTIONS REGARDING APPLICATION PROCESS/REQUIREMENTS/ETC.



We are available to answer questions about the application process. If you would like to see a CMS Career Counselor, please contact your local CMS Testing Center to schedule an appointment.