

FBI Offers Positions For Special Agents; Apply Until January

**Salaries Start at \$63G-\$80G;
No Application Fee Required**

**Various Backgrounds Sought; Must Be
Citizen With a College Degree**

The FBI is looking for Special Agents from various backgrounds. The agency is accepting applications through Jan. 29, 2018. There is no application fee.

Variety of Specialties

The agency has separate job announcements for these specialties: Law Enforcement or Military Veteran, Education Background, Accounting/Finance, Science/Technology/Engineering/Math (STEM),

Linguist/Foreign Language Specialist and Legal/Criminal Background.

The salary range for trainees in the FBI Academy is \$62,556 to \$80,721 per year. Upon graduation, your salary will be adjusted according to your field-office assignment and availability pay, which is a flat stipend that covers overtime for Federal law-enforcement officers.

Benefits include health,

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life and long-term-care insurance; flexible-spending accounts; savings plans; retirement; subsidies for student loans; and special payments for those hurt or killed in the line of duty.

As a Special Agent, you would be responsible for enforcing Federal statutes and conducting sensitive national-security investigations. The FBI looks for candidates with problem-solving and analytical skills, leadership experience and adaptability. It wants communicators who can get things done working in a team environment and independently. It looks for employees of honesty and integrity.

To qualify, you must be a U.S. citizen between 23 and 36½ years old (exceptions to the age requirement may be made for veterans of the military or Federal law enforcement).

Education, Experience

You must have a bachelor's or advanced degree from a U.S. college. You will need three years of full-time work experience, unless you have a graduate degree, in which case two years is acceptable.

For eligible veterans, part-time jobs, internships and Reserve duty may be counted toward the work requirement.

You must qualify for a Top Secret security clearance, which requires a background investigation, a credit check and a lie-detector test. You must also have a driver's license and pass medical tests. If you are on active duty in the military, you must be within six months of your discharge date to apply.

You will need to undergo a physical-fitness test and, to apply, conduct a physical-fitness self-evaluation. Details are available at the website www.fbijobs.gov.

You will be disqualified if you have a felony conviction, have used illegal drugs in violation of the FBI Employment Drug Policy, have defaulted on a Federally-insured student loan or fail a urinalysis drug test.

Special Agents must adhere to strict standards of conduct, maintain a level of fitness necessary to respond to life-threatening situations, complete a 20-week training course, be available to work at any of the agency's offices and take on temporary assignments anywhere in the world,

work at least 50 hours a week and be on call 24/7, carry a firearm and participate in arrests and other physical activities that pose some risk.

Hiring Decisions

The FBI uses a category rating system to determine whom to hire. You will be evaluated based on your evident competencies at leadership, interpersonal ability, collaboration, organization and planning, problem-solving/judgment, flexibility/adaptability, initiative and communicating. Please make sure your résumé details how you demonstrated each competency. The competencies are defined on www.fbijobs.gov.

Applicants must complete two written exams and an oral interview conducted by a panel during the screening process.

For application information, go to www.fbijobs.gov, select "Working at the FBI" and then select "How to Apply." The agency warns that it may take a year between initial application and hiring.

For more information, go to usajobs.gov and search for "FBI," or visit goo.gl/IFBbBF and select "Special Agent."