

## **Air Foreign Area Officer (FAO)**

**Job Number:**

**Wage/Grade:** O3/Capt - O4/Maj

**Location:** 113WG DC ANG

**Opening Date:** 20190830

**Closing Date:** UNTIL FILLED

**Additional Information:**

Washington D.C. Air National Guard

AIR NATIONAL GUARD

DRILL STATUS GUARD VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER: N/A (part-time DSG)

TOUR LENGTH: INITIAL TOUR FOUR YEARS / CONTINUATION TOUR SIX YEARS

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POSITION TITLE: FOREIGN AREA OFFICER

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POSITION AFSC: 16F3G LOCATION:

113th Wing

3252 E. Perimeter Road

Joint Base Andrews, MD 20762

113WG

WHO CAN APPLY:

OPEN TO THOSE ELIGIBLE FOR ENLISTMENT IN THE D.C. AIR NATIONAL GUARD

MINIMUM GRADE O3/Capt

\*MAXIMUM GRADE O4/Maj

\* PROMOTION POTENTIAL TO FULL GRADE OF POSITION UPON CONTROL GRADE AVAILABILITY

(PRIOR MILITARY MEMBERS NEED TO SUBMIT DD 214 OR NGB 22 TO VERIFY ELIGIBILITY)

POSITION INFORMATION

Specialty Summary.

Provides regional expertise and professional foreign language competency to build effective relationships with our global partners. This international expertise is key to an ability to sustain coalitions, pursue regional stability and security cooperation, and contribute to multi-national operations. Related DoD Occupational Group: 230100.

#### Duties and Responsibilities:

- Develops Air Force policy positions on regional affairs of national, combined, or joint service interest to include recommendations on treaties and international agreements. Receives, evaluates, and translates information from national and international agencies into tailored Air Force guidance. Assists in developing, coordinating, and implementing National Security Council policies. Determines requirements for military actions to implement national policy objectives.
- Advises combined, joint, and Air Force operational commanders supporting Force Protection programs, establishing cooperative relationships with Host Nation partners, and supporting the full range of Global Engagement activities, from humanitarian relief operations to coalition building in support of contingency operations and major theater warfare.
- Liaises with Departments of State and Defense and other governmental agencies involved with international affairs to present and interpret Air Force positions to interdepartmental and international committees and groups affecting negotiations on government-to-government and service-to-service levels.
- Conducts analytical studies based on regional situations and trends, and prepares studies, reports, and surveys on political implications of proposed actions.
- Foreign Area Officer positions include billets with an international focus at OSD, SAF, Air Staff, Joint Staff, Unified Commands, Combatant Commands, Defense Agencies, MAJCOMs, and NAFs.

#### Specialty Qualifications:

- Knowledge. Knowledge is mandatory of geopolitics, international relations, U.S. foreign policy, and U.S. military issues related to a specific region of qualification (see paragraph 4, Specialty Shredouts).
- Education. For entry into 16F1 (suffixes A-H), undergraduate academic specialization is desirable, focusing on, but not limited to, the political, cultural, sociological, economic, and geographic factors involving significant interaction with host nationals or host nation entities in the foreign countries in which they specialize.
- For award of fully qualified AFSC 16F3A, there is no mandatory education requirement.
- For award of fully qualified AFSCs 16F3 (suffixes C-H), mandatory master's degree in regional affairs (history, government, political science of the same region in which the officer has language skills). According to DoDI 1315.20, Management of Department of Defense (DoD) Foreign Area Officer (FAO) Programs, an officer must possess graduate-level education focusing on, but not limited to, the political, cultural, sociological, economic, and geographic factors involving significant interaction with host nationals or host nation entities in the foreign countries in which they specialize.
- Training.
- 16F1X. Officers designated for deliberate FAO development by their development team (DT) will be awarded the entry level FAO AFSC (16F1X) upon completion of their applicable graduate education and foreign language training programs as outlined in AFI 16-109, International Affairs Specialist Program (IAS), para 3.3.
- Appropriate training for AFSC 16F1A, Attaché and Assistant Attaché, will be determined and provided by SAF/IA and DIA on a case-by-case basis.
- For AFSCs 16F1 (suffixes C-H); appropriate training is listed in AFI 16-109.
- Experience.
- 16F3X. Officers designated for deliberate FAO development by their DT will be awarded the qualified FAO AFSC (16F3X) after successfully completing applicable graduate education and foreign language training programs, a minimum of 12 months experience in a FAO billet, and receiving certification from the IAS Cross Functional Mission Area Manager.
- For award of AFSC 16F3A, a minimum of 12 months experience is mandatory in an Attaché position.
- Other. The following are mandatory, as indicated:
- Specialty requires routine access to Top Secret material or similar environment. For award and retention of AFSCs 16FXX, member must be able to successfully obtain a Single Scope Background Investigation (SSBI) according to AFI 31-501, Personnel Security Program Management. (See Note 1.)
- For award of AFSCs 16F1 (suffixes C-H) qualification for foreign area duty according to AFI 16-109.

- Prior qualification in any AFSC is mandatory.
  - Award and retention of fully qualified AFSCs 16F3 (suffixes C-H), requires annual Defense Language Proficiency Test (DLPT) score of no less than of 2/2 (listening/reading) in a foreign language correlating with the appropriate shredout. (See Note 2.)
  - Officers must have at least 7 years of commissioned active duty service and less than 17 years of Total Active Federal Military Service (TAFMS) before being considered a candidate for selection to the FAO training and education program.
  - Award of the FAO AFSC (16FXX). Officers will be awarded the FAO AFSC upon completion of associated education, language training, and duty requirements as outlined in DoDI 1315.20. Those officers who are not vectored by their DT, but meet the requirements outlined in DoDI 1315.20, must contact the IAS Cross Functional Mission Area Manager for guidance.
  - NOTES:
    - Award of the entry level without a completed SSBI is authorized provided an interim Top Secret security clearance has been granted according to AFI 31-501, Personnel Security Program Management.
    - AFSCs 16FX (suffixes A-H) can only be awarded as a 2nd or 3rd AFSC. Officers will retain their primary AFSC (PAFSC) throughout their career.
4. \*Specialty Shredouts: Suffix Portion of AFS to Which Related
- D PACOM
- G AFRICOM
- Hiring 2 16FD PACOM FAOs
  - Hiring 1 16FG AFRICOM FAO

#### APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS AND GENERAL INFORMATION

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##### HOW TO APPLY:

##### AT A MINIMUM, YOUR PACKET SHOULD INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

- a. COMPLETED NGB FORM 34-1 signed and dated with the job announcement and title. (Do not submit an SF Form 171 or OF 612). Due to personal identifiable information (PII) concerns contained within Air AGR packets, we are requesting that all applications for Air AGR positions omit their home of record and social security number upon submission.
- b. Military Personnel Report on Individual Personnel (RIP) from either the vMPF or MilPDS no more than 30 days old.
- c. An official fitness score of 75% or higher within 1 year (from the AF portal). All fitness test will be current in the Air Force Fitness Management System (AFFIMS II), with no exemptions, unless on a permanent profile.
- d. Please combine all documents into one PDF file and email to: [usaf.dc.113-wg.mbx.113wg-dcang-commission@mail.mil](mailto:usaf.dc.113-wg.mbx.113wg-dcang-commission@mail.mil)