EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM
MANAGER III

DEPARTMENTAL PROMOTIONAL EXAMINATION – STATEWIDE
(For EDD Employees Only)

Testing Department: Employment Development Department
Bulletin Release Date: April 27, 2020
FINAL FILING DATE: May 11, 2020
Salary Range: $6,404 - $8,019 per month

POSITION DESCRIPTION

An Employment Program Manager III (EPM III) performs a variety of management-related work necessary to administer a number of departmental programs, including the workforce services and unemployment insurance programs.

An EPM III functions either in an administrative capacity providing second-level supervision; or as a manager in a large office; or supervising a group of staff units responsible for a major activity or program area. The EPM III may provide leadership in administering the activities of four or more program units in a field office and may serve as the Assistant Manager in a very large field office.

Positions exist statewide.

WHO SHOULD APPLY

Applicants who meet the minimum qualifications as stated on this bulletin may apply for this examination.

This is a DEPARTMENTAL EXAMINATION for the Employment Development Department (EDD). Competition is limited to:

1. Employees who have a permanent civil service appointment with the EDD by the final filing date; or
2. Current or former employees of the Legislature with two or more years as defined in the Government Code 18990; or
3. Current or former non-elected exempt employees of the Executive Branch with two or more consecutive years as defined by Government code 18992; or
4. Persons retired from the United States military, honorably discharged from active military duty with a service-connected disability, or honorably discharged from active duty as defined in Government Code 18991. Veterans must provide a copy of their DD214 for entrance requirements. Please attach your DD214 to your application. Veterans’ preference will not be granted in promotional examinations.

For applicants under items 2, 3, or 4 above, if promotional examinations are given by more than one department for the same classification, the applicant must select one department in which to compete. Refer to the General Information, Promotional Examinations Only section of this bulletin for other eligibility requirements. Under certain circumstances, former EDD employees may be allowed to compete under the provision of Rule 235.
MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

All applicants must meet the education and/or experience requirements for this examination by the final filing date, May 11, 2020.

Qualifying experience may be combined on a proportionate basis if the requirements stated below include more than one pattern and are distinguished as “Either I “Or II”. For example, candidates’ possessing qualifying experience amounting to 50% of the required time of Pattern I, and additional experience amounting to 50% of the required time of Pattern II, may be admitted to an examination as meeting 100% of the overall experience requirements.

EITHER I

One year of experience in the California state service performing the duties of an Employment Program Manager I; Employment Program Manager II; Employment Development Specialist II, or two years of experience performing the duties of an Associate Governmental Program Analyst in an operations branch setting. (Candidates who are within six months of completing the required experience will be admitted to the examination; however, they must complete the required experience before being considered eligible for appointment.)

OR II

Five years of supervisory or managerial experience in the fields of personnel or placement services, human resources, or employment and training.

(Experience in the California state service applied toward this requirement must include at least one year of experience performing the duties equivalent to an Employment Program Supervisor II or Employment Program Manager I.)

DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS

Experience in EDD supervising professional or technical staff.

FILING INSTRUCTIONS


For this administration, we will accept examination applications that are directly emailed to EDDExaminations@edd.ca.gov. Please include the examination title Employment Program Manager III in the subject line. If you are unable to email your application, you can submit your application via one of the following methods: by U.S. mail, parcel delivery, courier service or in person, as set forth in this announcement. If you have any questions, please contact Stephanie Mayer via email at Stephanie.Mayer@edd.ca.gov, or call (916) 657-4194, for assistance.

All Examination Applications must be POSTMARKED or received no later than the final filing date in order to be considered for the examination. Mobile barcodes or equivalent mobile print technology are not acceptable proof of the date the application and any other required documents or materials were mailed/issued. Applications not sent through the U.S. Postal Service (i.e., hand carried to the Human Resource Services Division) must be RECEIVED BY 4:30 P.M. ON THE FINAL FILING DATE. Use of EDD metered mail, interoffice mail (e.g., red or gold bag), and faxed applications are prohibited. Submit applications directly to:

MAILING ADDRESS:
Employment Development Department
Human Resource Services Division, MIC 54
Attention: EPM III Exam
P.O. Box 826880
Sacramento, CA 94280-0001

FILE IN-PERSON ADDRESS:
Employment Development Department
Human Resource Services Division, MIC 54
Attention: EPM III Exam
751 N Street, 6th Floor Solar Building
Sacramento, CA 95814
NOTE: All applicants MUST provide a current, valid email address on their application. The Qualifications Assessment (QA) examination link will be sent to the email address provided. Failure to provide a current and valid email address may result in non-receipt of examination information, in a timely manner, which could result in disqualification from the examination. All examination notifications (except the QA link) will be sent by mail.

Applications must also contain the following information: "to" and "from" dates (month/day/year) of employment, time base, civil service class title(s), and range, if applicable. In addition, college course information MUST include: title, semester or quarter credits, name of institution, completion dates, and degree (if applicable). Applications received without this information may be rejected.

CROSS FILING INFORMATION

A DEPARTMENTAL PROMOTIONAL examination is also being administered for the class of EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM MANAGER II. Applicants who meet the minimum qualifications and wish to participate in both examinations may file one application for both examinations; however, submitted applications MUST include each class title for which the applicant wishes to participate. Applicants will be considered only for the examination(s) specified on their application.

SPECIAL TESTING ARRANGEMENTS

If you need an accessible test location, an interpreter, or other special testing arrangements because of a disabling condition or your religious beliefs, please complete question 10 on page 1 of the Examination Application STD 678 and complete the Request for Reasonable Accommodation form STD 679. You will be contacted and necessary arrangements will be made.

EXAMINATION INFORMATION

This examination will consist of a Qualifications Assessment weighted 100%. In order to obtain a position on the eligible list, a minimum rating of 70% must be attained.

QUALIFICATIONS ASSESSMENT – WEIGHTED 100%

It is anticipated that candidates who meet the minimum qualifications for this examination will be sent an email the week of June 1, 2020 to the email address provided on their application. The email will contain the instructions and the link to complete the online Qualifications Assessment (QA) examination. PLEASE NOTE: Candidates will have 7 calendar days to complete the QA from the date emailed. The QA will not be accessible after 5:00pm on the 7th day.

It is the candidate’s responsibility to contact the Human Resource Services Division at EDDExaminations@edd.ca.gov if they have not received an email with the QA link by June 4, 2020. Please monitor your email account’s SPAM, Junk, Bulk, etc. folder(s) as the examination email may be filtered depending on your specific account settings.

COMPETITORS WHO DO NOT COMPLETE THE QUALIFICATIONS ASSESSMENT OR DO NOT SUBMIT IT BY THE DUE DATE WILL BE DISQUALIFIED FROM THE EXAMINATION PROCESS.

ELIGIBLE LIST INFORMATION

Names of successful competitors will be merged onto the existing DEPARTMENTAL PROMOTIONAL list in order of final scores regardless of test date. List eligibility will expire 24 months after it is established.

COMPETITORS MAY COMPETE ONLY ONCE IN ANY CONSECUTIVE 12-MONTH PERIOD.
SCOPE OF THE EXAMINATION

KNOWLEDGE OF:
1. EDD’s mission values management philosophy and internal and external customer service needs.
2. Economic development principles.
3. Principles and practices of personnel management including equal employment opportunity, employer-employee relations, active listening, team building, staff empowerment, and staff training and development.
4. Coaching techniques.
5. Vertical/lateral communication and non-confrontational problem resolution.
6. Principles and practices of public administration, including office management, fiscal controls, and staffing.
7. State and Federal funding mechanisms.
8. Automated systems and their applications as they relate to EDD’s programs and services.
9. EDD’s support systems, including business services, fiscal, personnel, legislative liaison, marketing, and labor market information.
10. State, local, and departmental procedures and methods to ensure a healthy work environment, equipment safety, and emergency services.
11. Community demographics, special customer group needs, and employer and labor market needs and trends.
12. Community-based organizations and the services they extend.
15. Political and economic trends as they relate to EDD's services.
16. The Department’s Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) program objectives, a leader’s role in the EEO program, and the processes available to meet the EEO objectives.
17. The Government; principles and practices of personnel management, employer/employee relations under the provisions of the Ralph C. Dills Act, and negotiated collective bargaining unit agreements.

ABILITY TO:
1. Foster and maintain effective working relationships with both internal and external customers.
2. Gather and analyze data.
3. Formulate, implement, and evaluate multiple programs and reason logically in measuring and improving EDD's services.
4. Make decisions and accept accountability.
5. Communicate effectively.
6. Plan, organize and direct the work of others.
7. Apply innovation, leadership, and vision to EDD’s programs and engender involvement and empowerment in implementation of EDD's mission, values, management philosophy, and customer services.
8. Create a work environment and methods for staff to develop skills and career opportunities.
9. Participate in community education and concerns relating to employment problems and EDD’s programs.
10. Establish EDD in the community as a service provider, labor exchange, and economic development resource.
11. Build an atmosphere for professional open communication, fair and equal treatment, and non-confrontational problem solving in regards to performance, operation, and administrative situations.
12. Treat others with respect and dignity and apply common sense and good judgement in all management practices.
SCAPE OF THE EXAMINATION (CONTINUED)

14. Understand and fulfill management responsibilities under the Ralph C. Dills Act (State Employer/Employee Relations) and negotiate collective bargaining unit agreements.

VETERANS’ PREFERENCE

Veterans’ Preference credits will not be granted in the examination as it does not meet the requirements to qualify for Veterans’ Preference credit.

CAREER CREDITS

Career Credits will not be added to the final score of this examination.

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The State of California is an equal opportunity employer to all, regardless of age, ancestry, color, disability (mental and physical), exercising the right to family care and medical leave, gender, gender expression, gender identity, genetic information, marital status, medical condition, military or veteran status, national origin, political affiliation, race, religious creed, sex (includes pregnancy, childbirth, breastfeeding and related medical conditions), and sexual orientation.

DRUG FREE STATEMENT

It is an objective of the State of California to achieve a drug-free state work place. Any applicant for state employment will be expected to behave in accordance with this objective because the use of illegal drugs is inconsistent with the law of the State, the rules governing civil service and the special trust placed in public servants.

CONTACT INFORMATION

The EDD encourages all potential applicants to read this entire bulletin. All inquiries about this examination should be directed to EDDExaminations@edd.ca.gov. Please include the examination title, Employment Program Manager III in the subject line. Also, you may contact the Exam Analyst, Stephanie Mayer at (916) 657-4194.
GENERAL INFORMATION

THE EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT (EDD) reserves the right to revise the examination plan to better meet the needs of the service if the circumstances change under which this examination was planned. Such revision will be in accordance with civil service laws and rules and all candidates will be notified.

IT IS THE CANDIDATE’S RESPONSIBILITY to contact the Employment Development Department, Human Resource Services Division at (916) 657-4194, three weeks after the FINAL FILING DATE, if he/she has not received a notice via email or U.S. mail.

If you meet the requirements stated on this bulletin you may take this examination, which is competitive. Possession of the entrance requirement(s) does not ensure a place on the eligible list. Your performance in the examination described on this bulletin will be compared with the performance of the other candidates who take this examination, and all candidates who pass will be ranked according to their scores.

EXAM APPLICATIONS (STD 678) are available on the Internet at: http://jobs.ca.gov/pdf/std678.pdf

GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS: Candidates must possess essential personal qualifications including integrity, initiative, dependability, good judgment, an ability to work cooperatively with others, and a state of health consistent with the ability to perform the assigned duties of the class.

ELIGIBLE LISTS: Eligible lists established by competitive examination, regardless of date, must be used in the following order: 1) subdivisional promotional, 2) departmental promotional, 3) multi-departmental promotional, 4) servicewide promotional, 5) departmental open, 6) open eligible list. When there are two lists of the same kind, the older must be used first. Eligible lists will expire in one to four years unless otherwise stated on this bulletin. In the case of continuous testing examinations, names are merged into the appropriate eligible lists in order of final examination scores regardless of the date of the examination and the resulting eligible lists will be used only to fill vacancies in the area shown on the bulletin.

PROMOTIONAL EXAMINATIONS ONLY: Veterans Preference are not granted in promotional examinations. Competition is limited to those applicants who meet one of the criteria listed on page 1 of this bulletin. Under certain circumstances other employees may be allowed to compete under provisions of Rules 234, 235, and 235.2. State Personnel Board Rules 233, 234, 235, 235.2, and 237 contain provisions regarding civil service status and eligibility for promotional examinations. These rules may be reviewed at the EDD’s Human Resource Services Division, at the State Personnel Board, and on the Internet at www.jobs.ca.gov.