

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT

If you qualify, you must sign a Mobility Agreement that confirms your understanding and agreement to accept reassignment to any location depending on the needs of the DEA and the DEA Intelligence Program. This mandatory agreement remains in effect throughout your DEA career as an Intelligence Research Specialist.

The opportunity to transfer to other assignments as advertised is available to you. The current hiring process includes three evaluation components:

1. Biodata (completed online with the original application)
2. Writing Assessment(s)
3. Verbal Interview

Each component must be completed successfully prior to final hiring determination.

Employment also requires:

Successful completion of your initial background investigation to include polygraph, and successful completion of periodic reinvestigations throughout your DEA career as well as adherence to the DEA Standards of Conduct.

Satisfactory completion of the Basic Intelligence Research Specialist Training Course.

Satisfactory completion of the Intelligence Research Specialist Field Training Program.

Satisfactory completion of the first year of employment as an Intelligence Research Specialist. You will be subject to random drug testing by urinalysis during your career.

SALARY AND BENEFITS

Entry level salary is at the GS-7 or GS-9 level and is commensurate with your education level, prior work experience, and knowledge, skills, and abilities as they pertain to the position.

The Federal benefits package is extensive and comprehensive.

The DEA Human Resources Division will provide additional details in the event of your employment.

ARE YOU UP TO THE CHALLENGE?



DEA Intelligence Research Specialists are involved in the most significant drug investigations and counterdrug operations conducted within the United States and abroad. Intelligence Research Specialists are posted in most major U.S. cities and other domestic areas that need the DEA's support. Intelligence Research Specialists are also posted in foreign countries that cultivate drug crops, produce drugs, or are transit points.



Intelligence Research Specialist

The future of DEA includes you!

AN EXCITING CAREER

DEA Intelligence Program

Intelligence is an essential element in drug law enforcement. In coordination with other federal, state, local, tribal, and foreign law enforcement organizations, the DEA is responsible for the collection, analysis, and dissemination of drug-related intelligence. DEA Intelligence Research Specialists work closely with DEA Special Agents and Diversion Investigators to conduct investigations. Information for analysis is gathered from a variety of sources including investigations, seized documents, surveillance reports, cooperating sources, and court-ordered wiretaps.

Intelligence Research Specialists conduct and manage complex research projects in areas such as drug cultivation and production, methods of transportation, trafficking routes, and the structure and analysis of trafficker organizations. Information collected and developed by Intelligence Research Specialists is presented to case agents, supervisory personnel, U.S. Attorneys, grand juries, and high-level decision makers. Research results are presented orally and/or in writing. Consumers of DEA intelligence information include the judicial system, federal, state, local, tribal, and foreign law enforcement agencies, in addition to other intelligence agencies.

YOUR CONTRIBUTION

Augmented by specialized training, your unique talents, language capabilities, technical skills, specialized university degrees, and cultural diversity will enhance DEA's ability to identify, investigate, and apprehend the leaders of the most powerful and violent drug organizations in the world. As you plan your career, consider the challenges and opportunities to make a difference in the antidrug effort, the wide array of experiences and assignments at home and abroad, and the personal satisfaction to be gained as an intelligence professional.



YOUR CAREER

The DEA offers you the opportunity to be a part of the nation's leading drug law enforcement agency. The DEA pioneered intelligence analytical support to law enforcement. DEA's Intelligence Research Specialists are recognized worldwide for their skills and expertise, commitment, and achievements. As an Intelligence Research Specialist with the DEA, you will have the opportunity to directly combat drug trafficking, violent crime, and terrorism.

Learn more about DEA at:
<https://www.dea.gov>

QUALIFICATIONS

Applicants must demonstrate the ability to analyze information, identify significant factors, gather pertinent data, and develop solutions; to plan and organize work; and to communicate effectively orally and in writing. Such experience may have been gained in administrative, professional, technical, investigative, or other work.

The career ladder opportunities are at the GS-7/9/11/12/13 grade levels with supervisory positions starting at GS-14. Supervisory positions can go up to the Senior Executive Service rank.



GS-7 GRADE LEVEL

Education: 1 full year of graduate level education *or* Superior academic achievement

OR

Combination of Education and Specialized Work Experience: Relevant experience *or* 1 year equivalent to at least a GS-5

GS-9 GRADE LEVEL

Education: 2 full years progressively higher level graduate education leading to such a degree *or* LL.B. *or* J.D., if related

OR

Combination of Education and Specialized Work Experience: Relevant experience *or* 1 year equivalent to at least a GS-7