

WARDEN MESSAGE

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This message is intended for the American community in Syria. If you have any questions, please contact the Consular Section at the above address. If you wish to be added to our e-mail distribution, we invite you to complete the registration process through our new registration website. To access the site please enter the following link address <http://travel.state.gov> or directly, at <https://travelregistration.state.gov/ibrs>

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WARDEN MESSAGE – June 2010 Foreign Service Officer Test - SYRIA

The U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Embassy in Damascus would like to extend an invitation to all eligible American Citizens residing in Syria or who are otherwise interested in registering for the June 2010 Foreign Service Officer Test (FSOT) to be held on Saturday, June 5th, 2010 in Damascus, Syria.

The Foreign Service Officer Test (FSOT) is administered several times each year to assess applicants interested in working for the U.S. Department of State as Foreign Service Officers (FSOs).

Foreign Service Officers (FSOs) are America's advocates, promoting peace and supporting prosperity as they advance our interests and protect American citizens throughout the world. Since our work has global impact and is carried out around the world, FSOs are located at over 265 embassies, consulates and other diplomatic missions in The Americas, Africa, Europe, East Asia and the Pacific, Middle East and North Africa, and South and Central Asia.

The Foreign Service is a career like no other; every day FSOs represent the United States to the world, promoting peace, stability and prosperity.

If you are a capable, adventurous, and dedicated candidate who is prepared to step up to the challenges that face our country, we want you to apply.

For more information about a career as a Foreign Service Officer with the U.S. Department of State, please check out the following website: <http://careers.state.gov/officer/index.html>

If you are interested in taking the 2010 FSOT and would like to take the test in Damascus, the test will be offered Saturday, 5 June 2010. Please note you must complete your registration by 24 May and schedule an overseas test seat for Damascus by the 28 May in order to be considered.

To be eligible, all applicants must be:

- U.S. citizens on the date they submit their registration package
- At least 20 years old and no older than 59 years of age on the day the candidate submits the registration
- At least 21 years old and not yet 60 on the day the candidate is appointed as a Foreign Service Officer
- Available for worldwide assignments, including Washington, D.C.

To apply, please visit <http://careers.state.gov/officer/employment.html> and follow the steps outlined there. The application must be completed on-line.

If you have questions that you are not able to answer via the website listed above, please feel free to contact us at FSOTDamascus@state.gov.

We hope to see you in June!