



DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
KAGAWARAN NG UGNAYANG PANLABAS

BOARD OF FOREIGN SERVICE EXAMINATIONS

MEMORANDUM FOR ALL OFFICES, CONSULAR OFFICES AND FSPs

CC : OFFICE OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SERVICES

FROM : 
JIM G. MINGLANA
Assistant Board Secretary

SUBJECT : 2020 FSO Qualifying Test

DATE : 12 September 2019

CIR - 2051 - BFSE - 2019

The Civil Service Commission will hold the Qualifying Test for the 2020 Foreign Service Officer (FSO) Examinations on 02 February 2020.

Enclosed are copies of the Announcement and the Application Form for the 2020 FSO Exams. These documents may be reproduced as necessary. The Announcement and the Application Form may also be downloaded from the DFA website (www.dfa.gov.ph).

The BFSE would appreciate assistance from Consular Offices located outside Metro Manila and from FSPs in:

1. Disseminating the announcement to university graduate schools, government and private offices, print and broadcast media (e.g. Philippine Information Agency) and interested parties within your area of jurisdiction. COs are requested to play an active role in the information dissemination campaign of the Department for the purpose of attracting more qualified applicants to take the FSO examination;
2. Posting the Announcement and Application Form at the Bulletin Board of the Consular Offices and FSPs and making the said information and documents available to applicants;
3. Accepting the completed application forms and screening the applications based on the following guidelines:
 - Application forms should be printed on legal size (8.5" x 13") paper.

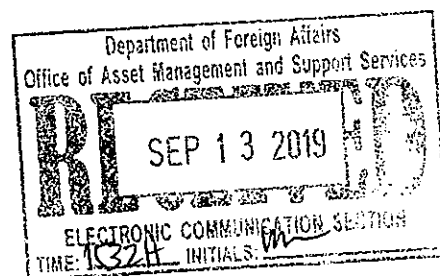
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- An applicant should be a Filipino citizen and a permanent resident of the Philippines.
 - An applicant should be a holder of at least a four (4) year bachelor's degree or higher. (Please require the submission of relevant evidence: i.e. transcript of records, and either the diploma or certificate of graduation as indicated in the attached Announcement.)
 - An applicant should have undergone employment or undertaken further studies for two years after graduating from college or university.
 - If married to a foreigner, an applicant must secure from the Secretary of Foreign Affairs, through the Board of Foreign Service Examinations, authority to take the FSO Examinations.
 - If an applicant has dual or multiple citizenships, he/she should submit a notarized affidavit stating that upon passing the examinations, he/she intends to renounce his/her allegiance to all of his/her other countries of citizenship; he/she must also submit a notarized affidavit stating that he/she is a permanent resident in the Philippines;
4. Accepting the payment of a non-refundable P500.00 fee and issuing an official receipt to the applicant. The final determination of the applicant's eligibility to take the Qualifying Test rests on the BFSE;
 5. Retaining a file copy of the application forms submitted; and
 6. Submitting to BFSE by email (bfse@dfa.gov.ph) the advance copies of each applicant's duly accomplished application forms on or before **Thursday, 21 November 2019**. All original duly completed application forms and other requirements should be received by BFSE on or before **Thursday, 28 November 2019**.

The deadline for submission of completed application forms at Consular Offices outside Metro Manila and at FSPs is **Thursday, 21 November 2019**. Incomplete requirements should **not** be accepted.

For further information, please contact the Board Secretariat through telephone numbers 834-3080/834-3083/834-4925 or by email at bfse@dfa.gov.ph.

Enclosures: as stated



**REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
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ANNOUNCEMENT

The Board of Foreign Service Examinations (BFSE), pursuant to the provisions of the Foreign Service Act (R.A. 7157) of 1991 and the Revised Administrative Code of 1987, announces the holding of the **2020 FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER (FSO) EXAMINATIONS** to recruit candidates for appointment to the position of Foreign Service Officer, Class IV.

Applicants for the examination must be knowledgeable in the economic, political, and social conditions of the Philippines, and must possess not only facility in oral and written communications but also the traits essential to the performance of the duties of a Foreign Service Officer. Furthermore, they must be willing and able to accept assignments to any post where their services may be required.

Applicants are advised to check their eligibility and to ensure that they meet all the requirements. No exemptions from the requirements shall be considered. Applicants who are found ineligible, or who have submitted incomplete application forms and requirements, shall not be allowed to take the examination, and their admission fees shall be forfeited.

DUTIES OF A FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER

The duties of a Foreign Service Officer include: gathering information, analyzing, and reporting on political, economic, technological, cultural, and other events and developments; drafting diplomatic notes and other forms of diplomatic correspondence; preparing briefing papers and other foreign policy papers for the Department and other government agencies as may be required; assisting in the preparation and conduct of international conferences; managing and supervising staff; disseminating information; working with other government agencies and private groups and individuals in promoting Philippine interests abroad; undertaking negotiations; assisting Filipinos abroad and protecting their rights; promoting Philippine culture; facilitating the flow of trade, foreign investments, and tourism to the Philippines; performing consular functions; and representing the Philippines in various international fora.

FSO EXAMINATION

The FSO Examination is composed of five (5) parts:

- (1) Qualifying Test;
- (2) Preliminary Interview;
- (3) Written Test;
- (4) Psychological Test; and
- (5) Oral Test.

I. Qualifying Test – 02 February 2020 (Sunday)

The Qualifying Test covers (1) Verbal Ability; (2) Analytical Ability; (3) Numerical Ability; and (4) Managerial Ability.

The Qualifying Test shall be held at testing centers in Bacolod City, Baguio City, Cagayan de Oro City, Cebu City, Davao City, Iloilo City, General Santos City, Legazpi City, Lucena City, Metro Manila, San Fernando City (La Union), City of San Fernando (Pampanga), Tacloban City, Tuguegarao City, and Zamboanga City. The BFSE reserves the right to modify this list, depending on the number of applicants at the testing center.

Candidates must obtain a passing grade of at least 80% in the Qualifying Test to qualify for the Preliminary Interview.

II. Preliminary Interview – Date to be announced

The Preliminary Interview shall be held after the results of the Qualifying Test shall have been determined. Candidates shall be interviewed by a panel to evaluate their overall potential for becoming Foreign Service Officers and future Ambassadors.

The Preliminary Interview shall be held in Metro Manila.

Candidates must obtain an overall rating of "PASS" from the panel to qualify for the Written Test.

III. Written Test – Date to be announced

The Written Test covers the following six subjects with the corresponding weights:

1. English	20%
2. Filipino	5%
3. Philippine Political, Economic, Social and Cultural Conditions – Philippine history, culture, foreign policy, geography, government, development issues and goals	30%
4. International Affairs - Theory and practice of international economics and trade, international politics, international law and treaties	30%
5. World History	10%
6. Foreign Language – The examinee to choose from any of the following: Arabic, Bahasa Indonesia, Chinese, French, German, Japanese, or Spanish	5%

The Written Test shall be administered at the Department of Foreign Affairs, Pasay City.

Candidates must obtain at least 75% in the entire Written Test to qualify for the Psychological Test.

IV. Psychological Test – Date to be Announced

The Psychological Test shall be held in Metro Manila after the results of the Written Test shall have been determined.

Candidates must pass the Psychological Test to qualify for the Oral Test.

V. Oral Test – Date to be Announced

The Oral Test shall be held in Metro Manila after the results of the Psychological Test shall have been determined. The Oral Test includes an assessment of the candidate's oral skills, logical thinking, values, and attitude. Previous records, experiences, and conduct of examinees shall also be considered in determining the candidate's fitness and aptitude for foreign service work.

Candidates who obtain a transmuted score of at least 80% shall be deemed to have passed the Oral Test.

Overall score in the FSO Examination

A candidate must garner a rating of 80% or higher from the composite score in the Written Test and Oral Test to pass the FSO examination.

Applicants are required to pass the five (5) sequential parts of the FSO Examination within the prescribed time frame to be considered eligible for appointment to the position of Foreign Service Officer, Class IV. Any applicant who passes the Qualifying Test shall not be allowed to defer any of the succeeding portions of the FSO Examination. Moreover,

an applicant who fails to show up for or does not take the succeeding phases of the FSO Examination as scheduled shall be deemed to have failed the entire examination.

QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must meet the following requirements:

1. **Citizenship** – Applicants should be Filipino citizens and concurrently permanent residents of the Philippines. (Note: Pursuant to Republic Act No. 9225 and its Implementing Rules and Regulations, those who pass the FSO Examinations and have more than one citizenship shall subscribe and swear to an oath of allegiance to the Republic of the Philippines and its duly constituted authorities, and renounce their oath of allegiance to any other country, prior to assumption of office.)
2. **Education** – Applicants must be graduates of a four (4) year bachelor's degree course or higher **on or before the prescribed due date** of submission of requirements, and they must present the transcript of records and either the diploma, certificate of graduation, or its equivalent, from a college or university of recognized standing.
3. **Work Experience or Further Studies** – Applicants must possess at least two (2) years employment or further studies or a combination of both, after graduating from college or university.

HOW TO APPLY

1. Fill out the FSO Examination application form (**to be printed on 8 ½ in. x 13 in. or legal size paper.**) This form can be downloaded from the DFA website (www.dfa.gov.ph) or obtained from the DFA Main Office, the DFA Consular Offices (COs), or Philippine Embassies, Consulates, and Missions abroad.
2. Download and fill out Civil Service Form No. 100 (**to be printed on 8 ½ in. x 13 in. or legal size paper**) from the CSC website: (<http://csc.gov.ph/2014-02-21-08-28-23/pdf-files/category/174-csform100-revised-2016.html>) The CSC form shall serve as your admission to take the CSE-FSOE Qualifying Test.
3. Submit the accomplished forms above to any of the following offices:

	Submission Period
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BFSE Secretariat 2nd Floor, DFA Main Building 2330 Roxas Blvd., Pasay City 	11 October 2019 to 26 November 2019 (until 5:00 pm. only)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consular Offices within and Outside Metro Manila 	11 October 2019 to 21 November 2019 (until 5:00 p.m. only local time)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Philippine Embassies and Consulates or Missions Abroad 	

Applications shall not be accepted beyond these deadlines.

4. Attached the following documents to the completed application form (**with the originals to be presented upon submission**):
 - a. Photocopy of transcript of records from the college or university from which the degree was obtained, bearing the seal of the college or university. An applicant who has attended **graduate** school should submit a copy of the transcript of records certified as true copy by the said school, **in addition** to the college or university records. Transcript of records obtained from a foreign school should be **certified as a true copy by the foreign school**, with the English translation, and duly **authenticated** by a Philippine Foreign Service Post exercising jurisdiction over the country where the foreign school is located;
 - b. Photocopy of diploma or certificate of graduation from the college or university from which

the degree was obtained, bearing the seal of the college or university. An applicant who has attended graduate school shall submit a copy of the diploma or certificate of graduation certified as true copy by said school, in addition to the college diploma. Any diploma or certificate of graduation obtained from a foreign school should be **certified as a true copy by the foreign school**, with the English translation, and duly authenticated by a Philippine Foreign Service Post exercising jurisdiction over the country where the foreign school is located;

- c. Proof of past and present employment and further studies, if any;
- d. Photocopy of birth certificate issued by the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA)
 - For Filipinos born abroad: Report of Birth at Post may be submitted in case no birth record is available at the PSA. The Report of Birth should be duly authenticated by the issuing Post. A certification of non-availability of birth certificate from the PSA should be submitted along with the Report of Birth.
 - For a Filipino citizen with dual or multiple citizenships: a notarized affidavit stating that, upon passing the examination, the applicant intends to renounce his/her oath of allegiance to his/her other countries of citizenship. He/she must also submit a notarized affidavit stating that he/she is a permanent resident of the Philippines.
- e. For married applicants: a photocopy of marriage contract issued by the PSA. If married to a non-Filipino, the applicants must secure from the Secretary of Foreign Affairs, through the BFSE, authority to take the FSO Examinations.
- f. Seven (7) colored photographs: 4.5cm and 3.5cm; with white background; taken within three (3) months prior to filing of application; printed on good quality photo paper; in standard close-up shot; showing the full frontal view of the face of the applicant without make-up; **with the applicant's full and handwritten (not computer-generated) name tag in the format: First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name, and extension name (if any) and signature over printed name** (For photograph details, please refer to CSC webpage - <http://csc.gov.ph/2014-02-27-07-36-50/2014-02-27-07-37-12.html> (item no. 2); and,
- g. Copies of two (2) valid identification cards (IDs).

Applications with incomplete documentary requirements shall not be accepted. A non-refundable admission fee of **five hundred pesos (P500.00)** shall be collected once the application form and supporting documents are inspected and accepted by the concerned DFA office.

LIST OF DFA OFFICES

DFA Main Office: Board of Foreign Service Examinations, 2nd Floor, Department of Foreign Affairs, 2330 Roxas Boulevard, Pasay City ° Tel. (02) 834-3080/ 3083 ° Email: bfse@dfa.gov.ph

DFA NCR-East Office: 7/F, Building C, SM Megamall, Mandaluyong City ° Tel (02) 570-3230 ° Fax (02) 570-3231 ° Email: dfancreast@dfa.gov.ph

DFA NCR-Central Office: Level 1, Lingkod Pinoy Center, Robinsons Galleria, Quezon City ° Tel (02) 631-0806 ° Fax (02) 631-0700 ° Email: dfancrcentral@dfa.gov.ph

DFA NCR-West: 5/F, SM City Manila, Natividad Almeda-Lopez St. (formerly Concepcion St), Manila ° Tel (02) 536-9994 ° Fax (02) 536-9995 ° Email: dfancrwest@dfa.gov.ph

DFA NCR-South: 4/F, Metro Alabang Town Center, Alabang-Zapote Road, Muntinlupa City ° Tel (02) 551-1051 ° Fax (02) 550-2697 ° Email: dfancrsouth@dfa.gov.ph

DFA NCR-Northeast: Ali Mall Government Center, 2/F Ali Mall Cubao, Quezon City ° Tel (02) 293-0105 ° Email: dfancnortheast@dfa.gov.ph

DFA NCR-North: Level 3, 1 Lingkod Pinoy Center, Robinson's Place, Quirino Highway, Novaliches, Quezon City ° Tel (02) (02)3727902 ° Email: dfancrmorth@yahoo.com

DFA Consular Office (CO) in Angeles: 3/F, MarQueen Mall, Pulung Maragul, Angeles City ° Tel. (045) 304-0193 ° Email: dfaclarksatellite@yahoo.com

DFA CO Bacolod: 3/F, Robinsons Place Bacolod, Brgy. Mandalangan, Bacolod City ° Tel. (034) 434-4412675 ° Fax (034) 435-6358 ° Email: bacolod.rco@dfa.gov.ph; rcobacolod@gmail.com

DFA CO Baguio: Upper Basement, SM City Baguio, Luneta Hill, Baguio City ° Tel (074) 422-2258, (074) 422 -1465 ° Fax (074) 442-2255 ° Email: rco_baguio@yahoo.com; baguio.rco@dfa.gov.ph

DFA CO Butuan: 3/F Robinsons Place Butuan, JC Aquino Avenue, Butuan City ° Tel. (085) 342-7822 ° Fax (085) 342-5700 ° Email: butuan.rco@dfa.gov.ph; dfabutuan@yahoo.com

DFA CO Cagayan de Oro: 3/F Centrio Mall, cor. Corrales and Recto Sts., Brgy. 24, Cagayan de Oro City ° Tel. (088) 858-6565, (088) 857-2175 ° Fax (088) 857-2175 ° Email: cdo.rco@dfa.gov.ph; rco.cdo@gmail.com

DFA RCO Calasiao: 2/F Robinsons Place-Pangasinan, Brgy. San Miguel, Calasiao, Pangasinan 2418 ° Tel. (075) 632-7705, 632-7932 ° Fax (075) 632-7892 ° Email: rcocalasiao@yahoo.com

DFA CO Cebu: 4th Level, Pacific Mall-Metro Mandaue, UN Ave. cor. MC Briones St., Brgy. Estancia, Mandaue City ° Tel. (032) 520-5898, 520-6193 ° Fax (032) 520-6550 ° Email: dfacebu@yahoo.com; cebu.rco@dfa.gov.ph, dfacebu@dfa.gov

DFA CO Cotabato: People's Palace, City Hall, Cotabato City ° Tel. (064) 421-3495, 421-3878 ° Fax (064) 421-3495 ° Email: rcocotabato@yahoo.com

DFA CO Davao: 3/F, SM City Davao, Quimpo Blvd., Ecoland, Brgy. Malina, Davao City ° Tel. (082) 285-4885, 285-1900 ° Fax (082) 285-1727, 2851552, ° Email: mindanao@dfa.gov.ph; davao.rco@dfa.gov.ph

DFA RCO Dumaguete: 2/F Robinsons Place South Road, Calidangan, Dumaguete City 6200 ° Tel. (035) 532-0024; (035) 532-0019 ° Fax ° Email: rcodumaguete@gmail.com

DFA CO General Santos: GF Robinsons Place GenSan, J. Catolico St., Ave., Lagao, General Santos City ° Tel. (083) 553-8380, 826-9089 ° Fax (083) 554-2742 ° Email: rco.gsc@gmail.com; generalsantos.rco@dfa.gov.ph

DFA CO Iloilo: 3/F Robinsons Place Iloilo Quezon Wing, Iloilo City ° Tel. (033) 337-8017, (02) 335-0221 ° Fax (033) 335-0221 ° Email: iloilo.rco@dfa.gov.ph

DFA CO La Union: Pasado Building, Pagdalagan Norte, San Fernando, La Union ° Tel (072) 607-6487, 607-6510 ° Fax (072) 607-6491 ° Email: dfa_launion@yahoo.com; launion.rco@dfa.gov.ph

DFA CO Legazpi: 3/F Pacific Mall-Legazpi, F. Imperial St., cor. Circumferential Rd., Brgy. Capantawan, Landco Business Park, Legazpi City ° Tel. (052) 480-3000, 820-3396 ° Fax (052) 480-1773 ° Email: dfa.legazpi@yahoo.com; legaspi.rco@dfa.gov.ph

DFA CO Lipa: 2/F Robinson Place, JP Laurel Highway, Mataas na Lupa, Lipa City ° Tel. (043) 722-0578 ° Fax (043) 722-0590 ° Email : dfa.rco.batangas@gmail.com; batangas.rco@dfa.gov.ph

DFA CO Lucena: 3/F, Pacific Mall Lucena, M.L. Tagarao St., Barangay III, Lucena City ° Tel. (042) 710-4526, 373-1119 ° Fax (042) 373-1898 ° Email lucena.rco@dfa.gov.ph; dfarcolucena@gmail.com

DFA CO Pampanga: 2/F, Robinsons StarMills, City of San Fernando, Pampanga ° Tels. (045) 636-0007, 636-0009 ° Fax No. (045) 636-0010 ° Email: rcopampanga@yahoo.com; pampanga.rco@dfa.gov.ph

DFA CO Puerto Princesa: 2/F Robinsons Place Palawan, National Highway, Barangay San Manuel, Puerto Princesa City ° Tel. (048) 434-1773 ° Email: dfarcopprincesa@gmail.com; puertoprincesa.rco@dfa.gov.ph

DFA CO Tacloban: Leyte SMED Center, Capitol Site, Sn. Enage, Tacloban City ° Tel. (053) 321-8233, (053) 523-0080 ° Fax (053) 321-8237 ° Email : dfa_tac@yahoo.com; tacloban.rco@dfa.gov.ph

DFA CO Tuguegarao: Regional Government Center, Carig Sur, Tuguegarao City, Cagayan Valley ° Tel (078) 846-4813, 846-1482 ° Fax (078) 846-2310 ° Email: dfa.tuguegarao@yahoo.com

DFA CO Zamboanga: Go-Velayo Building, Veterans Avenue, Zamboanga City ° Tel. (062) 991-4398, (062) 991-2202 ° Fax (062) 991-7958 ° Email: rcozambo@yahoo.com; rcozamboanga@yahoo.com

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APPLICATION FOR THE 2020 FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER EXAMINATIONS

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. All questions must be answered fully in the applicant's own handwriting in "**BLACK INK PEN**", with all blanks filled-in. A line or dash is not deemed an answer. If the entry is not relevant or there is no answer, please write N/A. **PLEASE WRITE LEGIBLY.**
2. The applicant must complete all the necessary requirements indicated in the examination announcement, and attach the said documents securely to this application.
3. If more space is needed for the answers to some questions, the applicant may use a clean sheet of **8 ½ in. x 13 in. (long bond) paper**. Follow the same format as in the application form and number the answers accordingly.
4. The completed and notarized application form should be submitted as follows:
 - For those submitting their documents to the BFSE Secretariat, DFA Main Office, Manila: one (1) duly filled out **NOTARIZED APPLICATION FORM** with attachments;
 - For those submitting their documents to a DFA Consular Office or to a Philippine Embassies/Consulates:
 - a. one (1) duly accomplished **NOTARIZED APPLICATION FORM** with attachments and
 - b. one (1) photocopy of the complete set of documents.
5. Application forms shall be filled out by the applicants and submitted in person not later than **26 November 2019 until 5:00 PM only, local time** at any Consular Office or Philippine Embassy or Consulate abroad, and not later than **21 November 2019 until 5:00 p.m. only** at the DFA Main Office. **Applications shall no longer be accepted beyond the set deadlines.**
6. Incomplete application forms shall not be accepted.
7. Any false, misleading, or fraudulent statements knowingly made by the applicant shall be sufficient cause for the cancellation of his/her test papers, removal from office if already appointed, and prosecution for perjury.
8. Applicants who do not follow the foregoing instructions shall not be allowed to take the Foreign Service Officer Examinations.

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NOTE: The Career Service Examination for Foreign Service Officer (CSE-FSO) shall serve as the Foreign Service Officer Examination – Qualifying Test and shall be conducted in collaboration with the Civil Service Commission (CSC). Those who pass the CSE-FSO shall be conferred the Career Foreign Service Officer Eligibility by the CSC and shall qualify for the next phase of the FSO Examination.

1. Name: _____
Surname First Name Middle Name Name Extension (Jr/Sr/II)
2. Place of birth: _____ Date of birth: _____
Age: _____ Sex: _____
Citizenship(s): _____ Religion: _____
3. Civil Status: _____
If Married, name of spouse: _____
Surname First Name Middle Name
Citizenship(s) of spouse: _____
 - In case of a Muslim, please enumerate name and citizenships of all spouses (Use a separate sheet if necessary)
 - In case of a foreigner spouse, the application will be brought to the attention of the Secretary of Foreign Affairs, for approval. Additional documentary requirements may be required from the applicant.
4. Home address: _____
Period of Residency: From _____ To _____
Home telephone number: _____ Mobile number: _____
Email Address: _____
Office address: _____
Office telephone number: _____

5. Educational attainment: (Use a separate sheet if necessary)

Degree/s Received	College/University	Inclusive Dates

6. Present Employment: (Use a separate sheet if necessary) Government Private None

Agency/Office	Position/Job Title	Length of Experience in Present Employment	Status of Employment

7. Previous Employment: (Use a separate sheet if necessary)

Agency/Office	Address	Position/Job Title	Length of Experience in Present Job/Position	Reason for Leaving

8. Civil Service / Board / Bar / Other Government Examinations Passed (Use a separate sheet if necessary)

Name of Examination	Rating	Date of Examination	Place of Examination

9. Character References: Give the names of three (3) Filipino citizens of good standing who can vouch for your good moral character (exclude relatives).

NAME	ADDRESS/TELEPHONE OR MOBILE NO.	OCCUPATION

10. Have you ever been accused of, indicted, or tried, for violation of any law, ordinance, or regulation, before any court, military or police tribunal, or other similar authority? Yes No

If yes, give the date of the complaint or indictment and state fully the nature of the offense. A certified copy of the order or decision of the court or tribunal shall be submitted with this application.

11. In case you pass the Foreign Service Officer Examinations, are you able to assume your position within one (1) year after you have been notified of your appointment as FSO IV by the President of the Philippines, and do you agree that refusal or failure to do so within the specified period shall result in the dropping of your name from the roster of eligible applicants?

Yes No

12. In case you are appointed as a Foreign Service Officer, are you willing and able to accept assignment to any post where your services may be required? Yes No

13. For applicants with more than one citizenship. In case you pass the Foreign Service Officer Examinations, shall you subscribe and swear to an oath of allegiance to the Republic of the Philippines and its duly constituted authorities, and renounce your allegiance to all other countries?

Yes No Not Applicable

14. Have you taken the Foreign Service Officer Examinations before? Yes No

If yes, state how many times you have taken the following FSO component examinations and the dates of those examinations. (Use a separate sheet if necessary)

1. Qualifying Test _____
2. Preliminary Interview _____
3. Written Test _____
4. Psychological Test _____
5. Oral Test _____

15. Foreign Language Test. Please check the foreign language for which you wish to take the proficiency test.

- Arabic Bahasa Indonesia Chinese French
 German Japanese Spanish

16. Please check the testing center where you intend to take the Qualifying Test.

NOTE: If the intended testing area is outside Metro Manila, kindly indicate your 1st and 2nd choice, in case only a few applicants choose that area. BFSE shall notify the applicant as soon as the testing areas are finalized.

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| <input type="radio"/> Baguio City | <input type="radio"/> Iloilo City | <input type="radio"/> Tacloban City |
| <input type="radio"/> Cagayan de Oro City | <input type="radio"/> Lipa City | <input type="radio"/> Tuguegarao City |
| <input type="radio"/> Calasiao, Pangasinan | <input type="radio"/> Legazpi City | <input type="radio"/> San Fernando City, La Union |
| <input type="radio"/> Cebu City | <input type="radio"/> Lucena City | <input type="radio"/> City of Sn Fernando, Pampanga |
| <input type="radio"/> Davao City | <input type="radio"/> Metro Manila | <input type="radio"/> Zamboanga City |

17. From where/whom did you first learn about the 2020 Foreign Service Officer (FSO) Examinations? Please put a check mark on the space beside all applicable answer/s.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> DFA website | <input type="checkbox"/> DFA employees | <input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper advertisement/s |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CSC/PIA or other official Government website | <input type="checkbox"/> Friends/relatives | <input type="checkbox"/> I have taken the exam before |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blogs/unofficial websites | <input type="checkbox"/> Others (please specify) _____ | |

18. What is your main reason/motivation for taking the FSO Examination? Please put a check mark on the space beside your corresponding answer. If you have more than 1 answer, rank them from 1-5 with 1 as the main reason.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Pursue a career in the government | <input type="checkbox"/> Academic background/training |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Opportunity to work overseas | <input type="checkbox"/> Explore opportunities for professional growth |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Others (please specify) : _____ | |

I understand that the BFSE reserves the right not to conduct the Qualifying Test in any of the above-mentioned testing centers, depending on the number of qualified examinees thereat.

I hereby agree to pay a non-refundable admission fee of ₱500.00 upon acceptance of my application.

I hereby attach the following documents/requirements as integral parts of this application (*with the originals to be presented upon submission*):

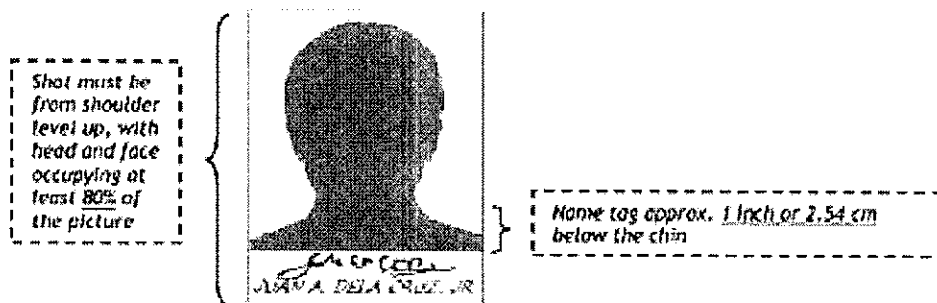
- Download and fill out Civil Service Form No. 100 (*to be printed on 8 ½ in. x 13 in. or legal size paper*) from the CSC website: (<http://csc.gov.ph/2014-02-21-08-28-23/pdf-files/category/174-csform100-revised-2016.html>) The CSC form shall serve as your admission to take the CSE-FSOE Qualifying Test.
- Photocopy of transcript of records from the college or university from which the degree was obtained, bearing the seal of the college or university. An applicant who has attended **graduate** school should submit a copy of the transcript of records certified as true copy by the said school, **in addition** to the college or university records. Transcript of records obtained from a foreign school should be **certified as a true copy by the foreign school**, with the English translation, and duly **authenticated** by a Philippine Foreign Service Post exercising jurisdiction over the country where the foreign school is located;
- Photocopy of diploma or certificate of graduation from the college or university from which the degree was obtained, bearing the seal of the college or university. An applicant who has attended graduate school shall submit a copy of the diploma or certificate of graduation certified as true copy by said school, in addition to the college diploma. Any diploma or certificate of graduation obtained from a foreign school should be **certified as a true copy by the foreign school**, with the English translation, and duly authenticated by a Philippine Foreign Service Post exercising jurisdiction over the country where the foreign school is located;
- Proof of past and present employment and further studies, if any;

- Photocopy of birth certificate issued by the Philippine Statistics Authority

For Filipinos born abroad: Report of Birth at Post may be submitted in case no birth record is available at the PSA. The Report of Birth should be duly authenticated by the issuing Post. A certification of non-availability of birth certificate from the PSA should be submitted along with the Report of Birth.

- For a Filipino citizen with dual or multiple citizenships: a notarized affidavit stating that, upon passing the examination, the applicant intends to renounce his/her oath of allegiance to his/her other countries of citizenship. He/she must also submit a notarized affidavit stating that he/she is a permanent resident of the Philippines.
- For married applicants: a photocopy of marriage contract issued by the PSA. If married to a non-Filipino, the applicants must secure from the Secretary of Foreign Affairs, through the BFSE, authority to take the FSO Examinations.
- Seven (7) colored photographs: 4.5cm and 3.5cm; with white background; taken within three (3) months prior to filing of application; printed on good quality photo paper; in standard close-up shot; showing the full frontal view of the face of the applicant without make-up; **with the applicant's full and handwritten (not computer-generated) name tag in the format: First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name, and extension name (if any) and signature over printed name (For photograph details, please refer to CSC webpage - <http://csc.gov.ph/2014-02-27-07-36-50/2014-02-27-07-37-12.html> (item no. 2); and,**

Photograph format:



(For photograph details, please refer to Civil Service Commission (CSC) webpage - <http://csc.gov.ph/2014-02-27-07-36-50/2014-02-27-07-37-12.html> (item no. 2); and,

- Photocopy of two (2) valid identification cards (IDs).

OATH OF APPLICANT

I, _____, after having been duly sworn in accordance with the law, hereby declare that the foregoing answers to the questions in this application to take the Foreign Service Officer Examinations are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief; that I have not knowingly made any false, misleading, or fraudulent statement; and that I understand that any false, misleading, or fraudulent statement knowingly made by me shall be sufficient cause for the cancellation of my examination papers, removal from office if already appointed, and prosecution for perjury. I hereby accept as final all decisions made by the Board of Foreign Service Examinations pertinent to my application.

Signature of Applicant over Printed Name

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this _____ day of _____ at _____, Affiant displaying to me his/her Residence Certificate No. _____ or Passport No. _____ issued at _____ on _____

Notary Public/
Administering Officer