

# **BUDGET AND POLICY ANALYST**

**Fiscal Planning Unit** 

Salary: \$55,006 - \$65,164 Reference # EX-FP-01

Advance your career in government finance, management, and public policy at the New York State Division of the Budget (DOB)! DOB develops, negotiates, and implements one of the largest government budgets in the country, which provides the fiscal roadmap for State programs, policies, and services.

We are seeking motivated analysts and critical thinkers to join our team. DOB analysts rely on their skills for creative problem solving, attention to detail, and comprehensive communication to respond to emerging challenges, identify and develop solutions, and ensure the fiscal health of the State.

The Fiscal Planning Unit (FPU) is responsible for the development and management of the State's Financial Plan, which governs the State's financial activity and is issued on a quarterly basis. FPU provides DOB leadership with recommendations to achieve balanced cash budgets and address emerging public finance challenges and provides internal and external stakeholders with information and assistance to help identify, assess, and address risks to the State's Financial Plan.

The successful candidate will be part of a team responsible for the analysis, development, and implementation of key aspects of the Executive Budget process. FPU operates with a significant degree of collaboration, and this position provides the opportunity to work on a wide range of mission critical DOB processes.

## Responsibilities

Budget and Policy Analysts at DOB are typically involved in:

- Developing in-depth knowledge of program areas, including detailed analysis of broader trends (e.g trends in the policy area, budgetary and spending trends, economic trends and implications, etc.), potential impacts on program operations, and collaborating with counterparts to understand agency and program operations, issues, and challenges.
- Drafting recommendations and materials to guide decision-making, including articulating nuanced issues, illustrating trends and projections, and synthesizing data.
- Contributing to the production of the State's quarterly issued Financial Plan report for the legislature and public.
- Managing the State's Financial Plan including by projecting and monitoring spending trends, identifying challenges, and working with counterparts to mitigate fiscal risks.
- Executing and monitoring the Enacted Budget Financial Plan to ensure financial activity adheres to overall fiscal policies, State spending controls, and benchmarks.
- Performing financial forecasting, reporting, operational metric tracking, and analysis.



### Qualifications

- Ability to work both independently and collaboratively with diverse stakeholders.
- Fluency in Excel formulas and functions, and other Microsoft applications.
- Strong written, visual, and verbal communication skills.

The ideal candidate will have analytic ability and a willingness to learn. Key skills for this role include objectivity, flexibility, and adaptability. Mandatory overtime may be required.

# **Benefits of Working at DOB**

Learn about DOB's benefits: including health and wellness perks; work-life balance programs; and learning and development opportunities at <a href="https://www.budget.ny.gov/employment/benefits.html">https://www.budget.ny.gov/employment/benefits.html</a>.

## **Experience of Working at DOB**

Entry level analysts benefit from the knowledge and mentoring of seasoned staff while learning policy development and implementation. For more on what it's like to work at DOB, check out DOB's Employment video series.

# **How to Apply**

To be considered for this or future positions with DOB, please complete the <u>Online Employment Application</u> and select "Budget Fellow" as the Title Applying For. Select Fiscal Planning in the Professional Interests section for this specific vacancy. Applications are held in DOB's resume database for three months, after which candidates may reapply to be considered for future opportunities.

If you require assistance in applying for employment with the DOB, or if you have any questions about working for DOB, please contact <a href="mailto:CareerOpportunities@budget.ny.gov">CareerOpportunities@budget.ny.gov</a>.

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