The NASA Competitive Placement Plan (CPP)

This notice provides an overview of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) Competitive Placement Plan (CPP), as well as additional sources to find more details regarding this program. NASA’s CPP establishes minimum Agency procedures for filling positions, except positions in the Office of the Inspector General, with current or former Federal employees with competitive status at and below the GS-15 level (including trades and labor positions) through competition and on the basis of merit. It ensures that fair and equitable consideration is given when the following selections are made:

- Temporary promotions over 120 days.
- Details of more than 120 days to a higher graded position or to a position with greater promotion potential.
- Training that is required for promotion.
- Reassignment, or change to a lower grade, to a non-temporary position with more promotion potential than a non-temporary position previously held (except when permitted by reduction-in-force regulations).
- Term employees who meet conversion requirements under the NASA Flexibility Act of 2004 may be selected for permanent appointment under competitive placement procedures.

Each Center is responsible for:

- Implementing and administering the CPP.
- Ensuring all actions are fully documented.
- Publicizing the CPP’s provisions to employees.

NASA’s CPP ensures selections are based on merit from among the best qualified candidates without regard to political, religious, or labor organization affiliation or non-affiliation, marital status, race, color, sex, national origin, nondisqualifying disability, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, genetic information, or status as a parent.

For more details, review the following documents:

- Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Title 5, Part 335, Promotion and Internal Placement. To view the document, visit: [http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov](http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov). In the drop down menu, scroll to the Title 5, Administrative Personnel row, click on the title, and then click the Go button. In the Browse Parts column, click the 1-630 link, scroll down and click on the Part 335 link.

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