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ECONOMICS SKILL CERTIFICATION PERFORMANCE TEST STANDARD 1

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Economists or business persons with a good knowledge or background of economics work in many different jobs such as city planners, economic development specialists, forecasters or strategists. Social economists work in areas such as health, environment, education or welfare.

Interview a practicing economist. Use personal interview, written letter, phone conversations, or email messages to conduct the interview. Conversations or letters should be conducted in a professional manner.

The list below gives possible places where economists may be available.

City government

County government

State government

Private companies (banks and larger companies)

Workforce Services

Ask the following questions:

- a. In what department or division do you work?
- b. What is your title?
- c. What are your work assignments?
- d. How do you use economic knowledge in your work?
- e. Did you attend college to prepare for this work? If so, which courses have been most useful?

Prepare a written summary of your findings.

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