

Application Training Exercise 2: Applying to an Announcement

Now that you have completed the online portion of training for Application, it is time to practice what you have learned. Use this step-by-step guide to help you practice this lesson. Retain your notes to assist you with other lessons.

Applying to a job requires a Login.gov account, a completed USAJOBS profile, and a released, and open, USA Staffing announcement. If you already have a Login.gov account and USAJOBS profile in the test environment, you can skip the first practice exercise and proceed directly to this exercise.

- Login.gov Account & USAJOBS Test Profile: To test whether you have a Login.gov account and USAJOBS profile in the test environment, go to: https://www.uat.usajobs.gov/, click **Sign In** at the top of the page, and attempt to sign in. You will be directed to Login.gov to sign in with your e-mail address and password. The system will require you to enter a one-time security code you receive via text or phone call. If you don't have a test account, use the Application Training Exercise 1 to create one.
- USA Staffing Announcement: To practice the application process you will need a test announcement that was created in the USA Staffing Training environment that is **currently open**. If you are taking this course in the standard staffing order you created and released an announcement in the last module and can use that one. If not, work with your Office Administrator to get a sample job announcement that you can apply to for this exercise. The person with access to the announcement in USA Staffing will be able to provide you with a direct access link to the announcement from the Announcement Text page.

The Announcement I Am Going to Apply to: ______

To access the entire practice training series on the USA Staffing Training Resources page at: https://help.usastaffing.gov/ResourceCenter/index.php/USA_Staffing_Training_ResourceSessions.com/

Applying to an Announcement

1. Go to the Test USAJOBS environment: https://www.uat.usajobs.gov/. Click the **Sign In** button at the top of the page and sign in to your Login.gov account for USAJOBS.



Image 1: USAJOBS login page with the Sign In icon highlighted.

2. While you are signed into your USAJOBS account, click on the direct access link for your test announcement. (Or search for and find your announcement using the control number if the job is not designated as Internal Merit Promotion.) You should see your test applicant name at the top of the page. If the **Apply Online** button is not appearing in your view it means the job is either not currently open or someone un-checked the **Apply Online** option on the Settings page.

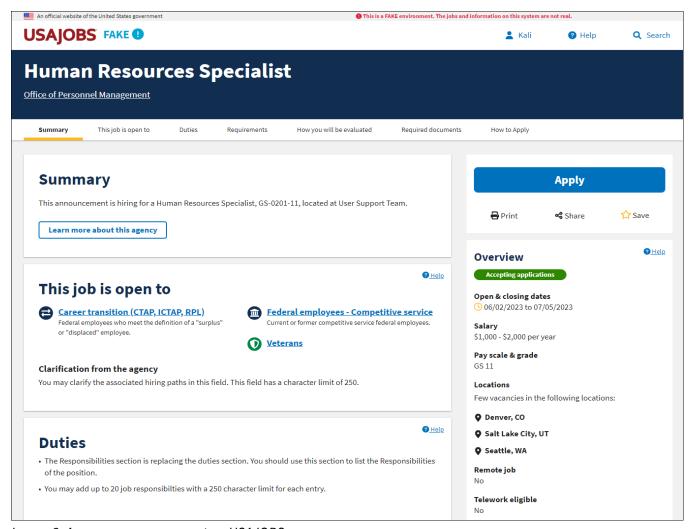


Image 2: An open announcement on USAJOBS.

3. Click Apply.

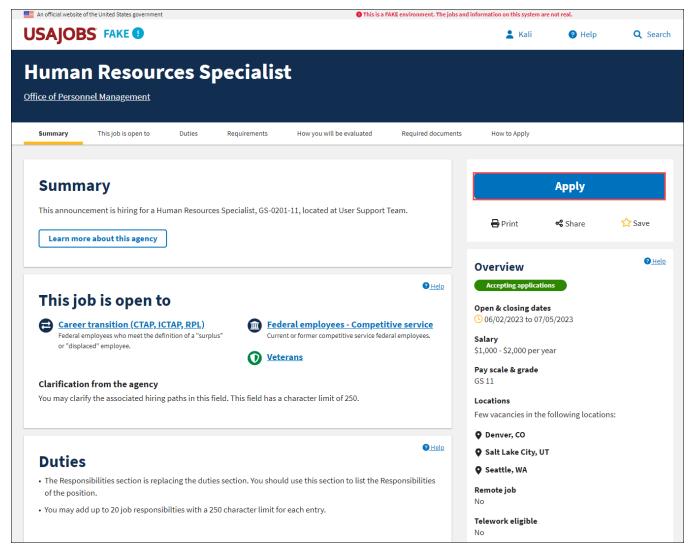


Image 3: An open announcement on USAJOBS with the Apply button highlighted. The Apply button is toward the top of the page on the right side.

4. The Welcome to the USAJOBS Application process page will display. To begin the transfer, select a Resume. Select **Save & Continue**

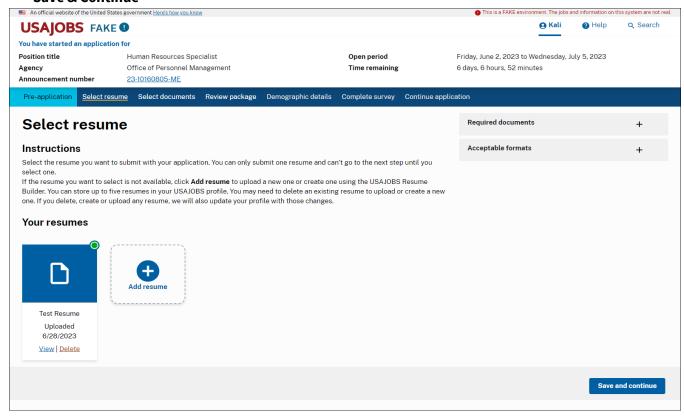


Image 4: Step 1 in the USAJOBS transfer- Select Resume.

5. Select any documents you want to transfer. Select **Save & Continue**.

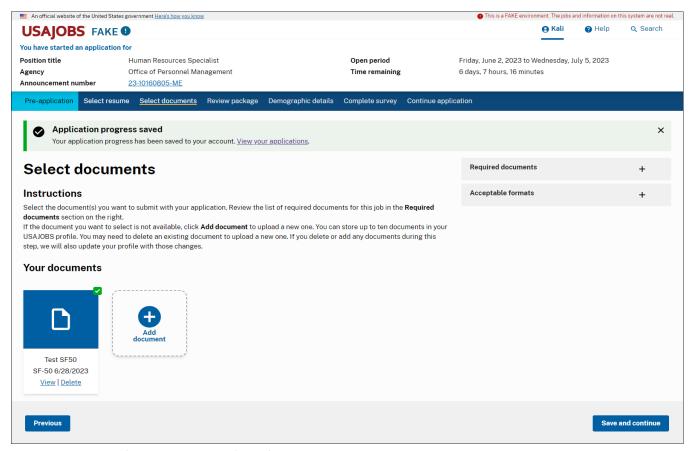


Image 5: Step 2 in the USAJOBS transfer-Select Documents.

6. Review the documents that will be transferred, click the **Acknowledgement** at the bottom of the page, and click **Save & Continue**.

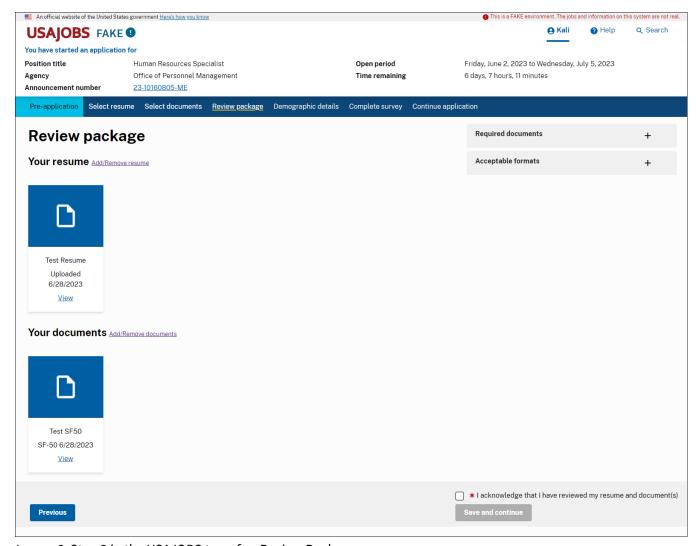


Image 6: Step 3 in the USAJOBS transfer- Review Package.

7. Next indicate if you would like to transfer your demographic information to USA Staffing, select **Save & Continue.**

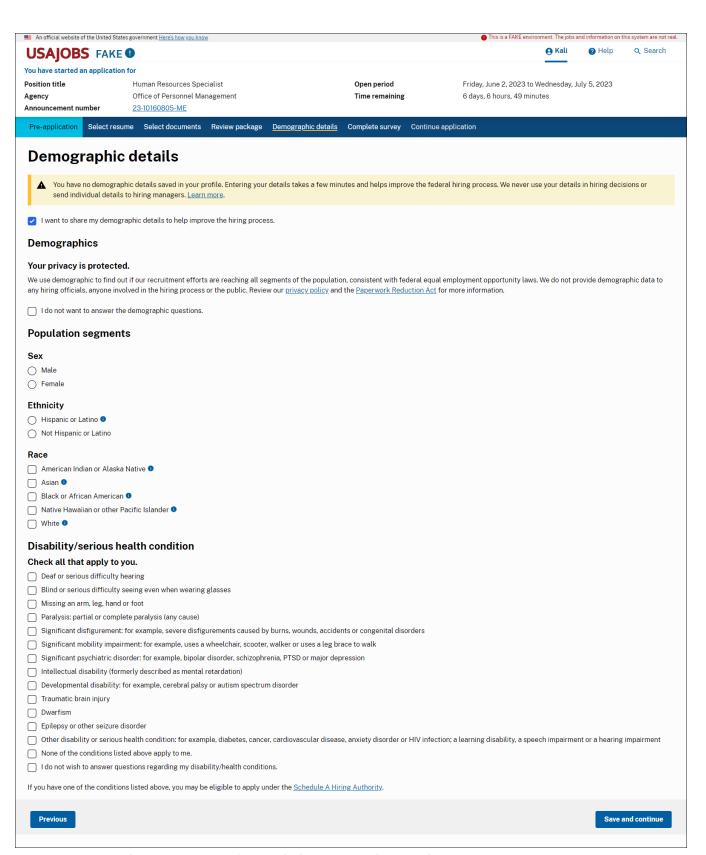


Image 7: Step 4 in the USAJOBS transfer - Include Demographic Details.

8. Next you will select how you heard about the job, select Save & Continue.

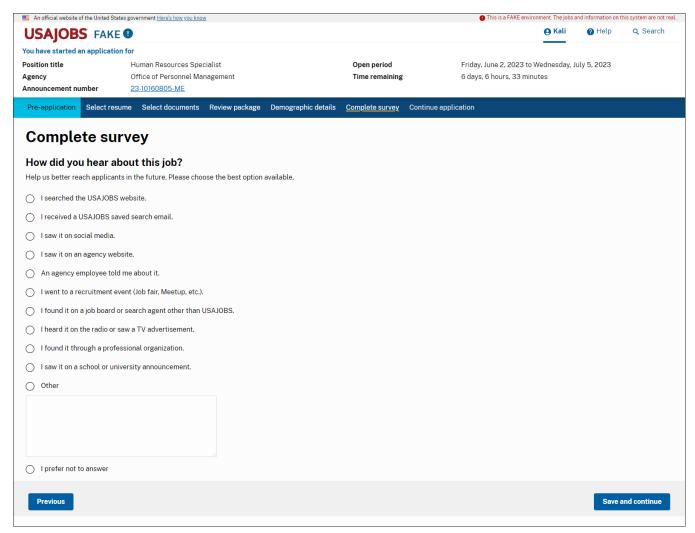


Image 8: Step 4 in the USAJOBS transfer - Include Survey Info.

9. Now you will certify the information you are submitting is true and submitted in good faith.

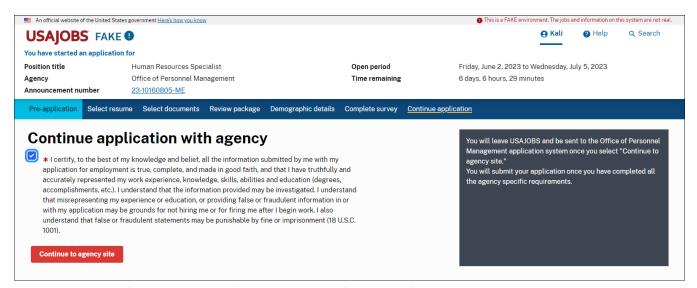


Image 9: Step 5 in the USAJOBS transfer – Continue Application with Agency.

10. Now you will see the **Continue to Agency** message.

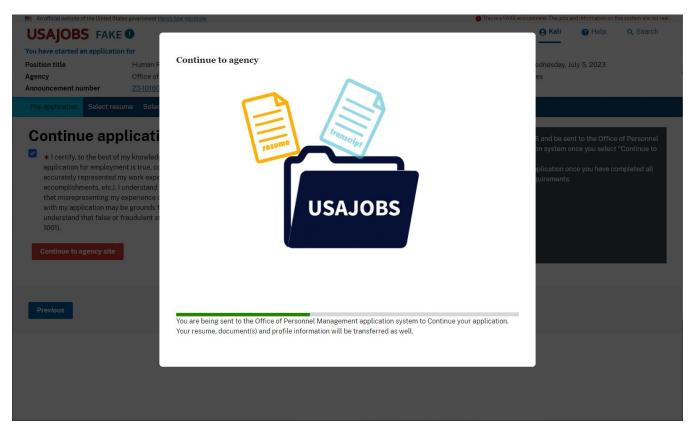


Image 10: Continue to Agency page.

11. When you reach Application, the page will show the retrieval from USAJOBS. Once the page is **Done**, you can select **Continue**.

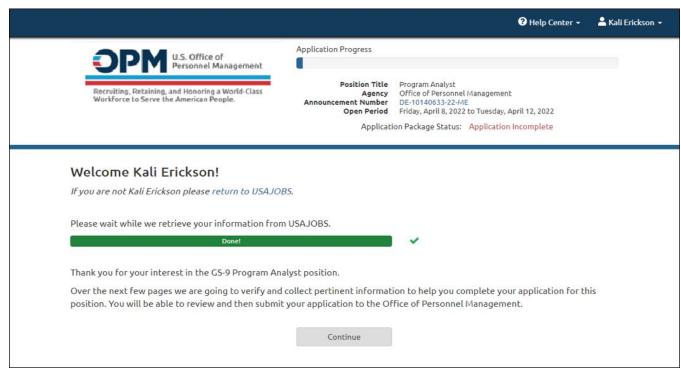


Image 11: Welcome page of USA Staffing's application.

- 12. If this is the first time this account is applying to this organization, you will receive the Personal Security Information page. Complete the three required items. Subsequent applications to the same USA Staffing organization will not require this page. You should make a note of what you enter here so you will have this information for later lessons. If you take the New Hire course, you will need this information to verify the applicant identity when they attempt to log in. Record the info here:
 - a. Month of Birth: _____b. Day of Birth:
 - c. Last 4 of SSN: _____

Use the **Continue** button to advance to the next page for each page in this system.

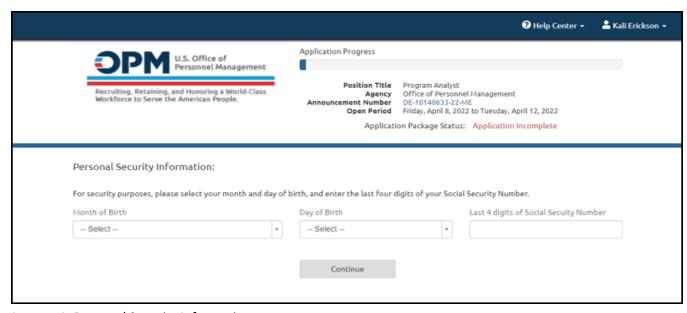


Image 12: Personal Security Information page.

13. Next you will review the Biographic Information page. The information is transferred from USAJOBS. Any updates to this page will not update your USAJOBS account or any other applications.

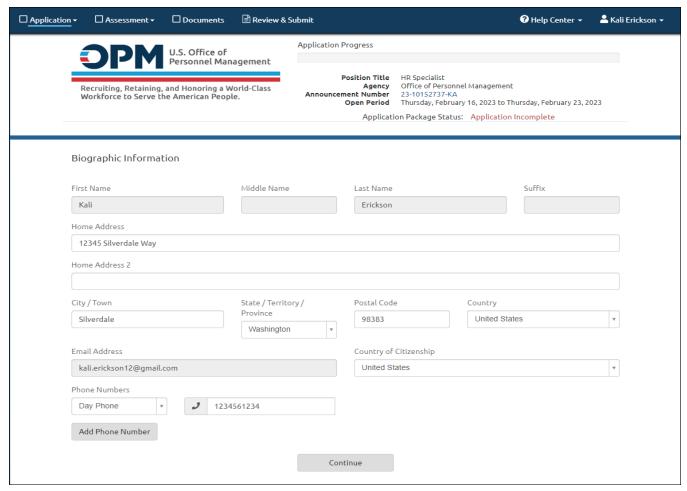


Image 13: Biographic Information page.

14. Next you will go to the Eligibilities page. Complete the questions on this page. **Note**: Your options will vary depending on what was selected when the Announcement was created.



Image 14: Eligibilities page.

15. If the Announcement has any Preferences, you will be asked to select them next.

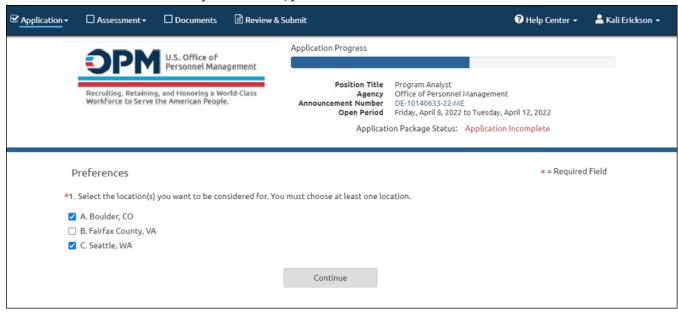


Image 15: Preferences page. This job has one preference, location.

16. Now you will complete the Assessment page.

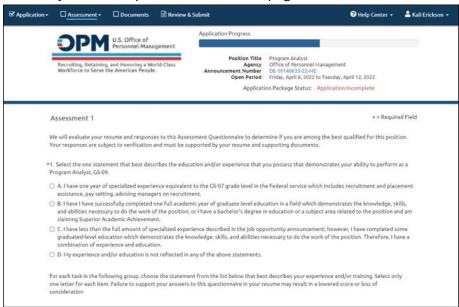


Image 16: Assessment page.

17. Next, use the drop-down arrow to select any **Available Documents** for each of the **Accepted Documents** categories. **Note**: Your page will vary based on what was selected in the Announcement and what documents you selected to transfer from USAJOBS.

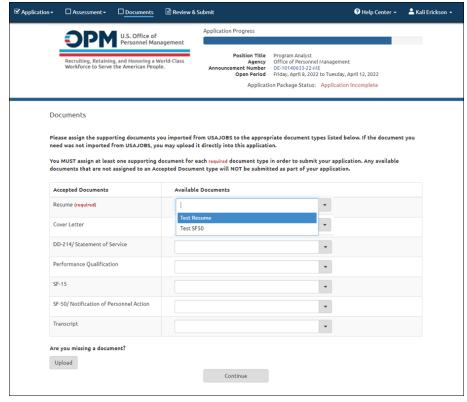


Image 17: Documents page.

18. Upload a new document using the **Upload** button at the bottom of the page.

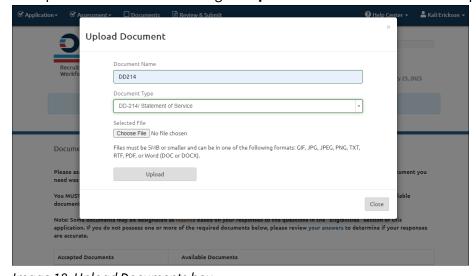


Image 18: Upload Documents box.

19. Add your uploaded document to an Accepted Documents category by using the drop-down arrow. Remember that only documents showing as selected on this page will be transferred to USA Staffing. Click **Continue**.

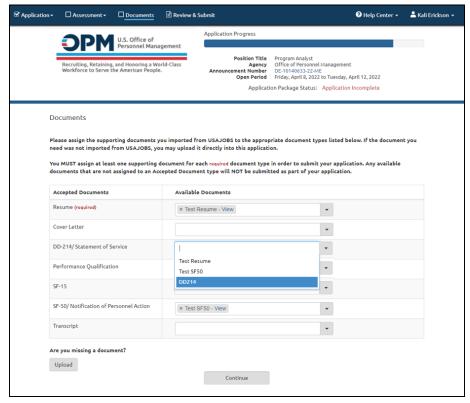


Image 19: Documents page with newly uploaded document appearing in the drop-down list.

20. You are now on the Review and Submit page. From this page you can look over your application. Also, you may want to try clicking on **Help Center** to access the Online Help. Online Help will open in a separate browser tab.

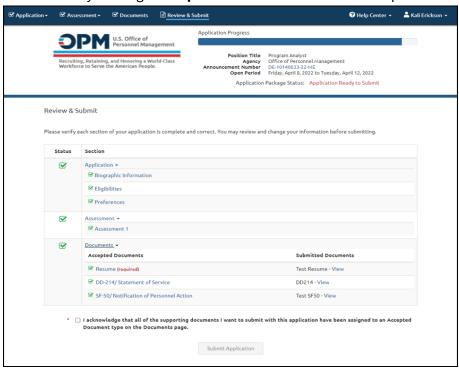


Image 20: Review and Submit page.

21. When ready, you will acknowledge the supporting documents, and click the **Submit Application** button. **Note**: Until you select the **Submit Application** button your application is not complete and will not transfer to USA Staffing.



Image 21: A submitted application.

22. Once complete, give the system up to one hour to process your documents. Then log back into your USAJOBS account and check your application status. Click the + next to a job title to see detailed information about your application. Click the **Additional Application Information** button to see details.

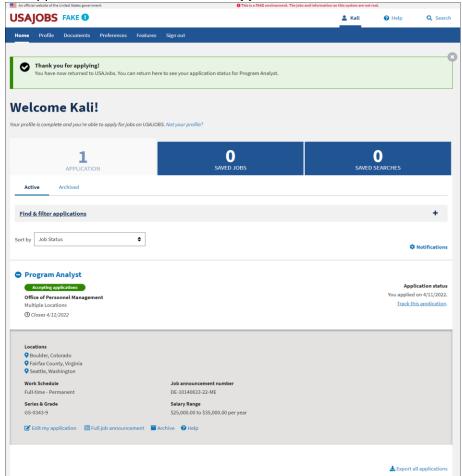


Image 22: USAJOBS Home page. The applicant has two applications appearing at the bottom of the page.

This concludes the second lesson on Application.