

#### CONSULATE GENERAL OF THE KINGDOM OF BELGIUM IN SHANGHAI

#### Job Offer

The Consulate general of Belgium in Shanghai is recruiting:

Position: Multi Skilled Administrative Operative principally active in the consular field

Location: Consulate general of Belgium in Shanghai

Deadline for application: 20/01/2020 - 18:00 (Shanghai time)

#### **Job Description**

**As a "front office operative":** You welcome and receive frontline questions, requests and documents of Belgian or foreign citizens in order to <u>provide a response</u> or immediate help or to convey/transmit them to the manager.

As a "back office operative": You prepare, encode and monitor the evolution of <u>applications</u> according to the procedures and regulations in force in order to support the manager/service/post in consular activities.

**As a "staff member of the consular section"**: You are part of a <u>team</u> and ensure your work is coherent with the operations of the mission at large.

**As a "secretarial operative":** As an assistant specialized in the consular field, you carry out tasks in order to <u>support the consular service</u> in daily management.

## Examples of tasks (Visa applications)

- Check and analyze submitted documents
- Input of data in Visa application system
- Contact applicants, inviters, companies and conduct interviews
- Translate/revise information documents
- Provide information on procedures and regulations
- Follow up of applications and submitted questions
- Discuss particular cases with hierarchy
- Look for information and read official instructions
- Coordinate processes with colleagues and hierarchy
- Manage the archives and documentation
- Correspondence by email with applicants, visa centers, other relevant contacts and authorities
- Attend to applicants at visa counter
- Manage payments and fees and prepare bookkeeping reports
- Preparation of files to be sent with diplomatic pouch
- Update of relevant lists and preparation of reports, statistics

## Examples of tasks (Assistance to Belgian citizens)

- Check and analyze submitted documents
- Input of data in consular applications
- Contact citizens, verify their situation and discuss their requests (in Dutch/French)
- Provide information on procedures and regulations
- Follow up of applications for documents (passports, identity cards, certificates...) and submitted questions
- Discuss particular cases with hierarchy
- Look for information and read official instructions
- Prepare requested documents
- Coordinate processes with colleagues and hierarchy
- Manage the archives and documentation
- Correspondence by email with citizens, other relevant contacts and authorities
- Attend to citizens at counter
- Manage payments and fees and prepare bookkeeping reports
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#### **Practical details**

- Gross monthly salary: +/- 10.400 RMB
- Attractive amount of holidays
- 1 year local contract (renewable)
- No allowances for housing costs or holiday transportation
- No financial assistance in obtaining Chinese work visa and/or permit
- Estimated starting date: 01/03/2020

### Selection Procedure

After a pre-screening based on CV and cover letter, the selection procedure will focus on skills and motivation. There will be a written test and an interview during which language skills will be tested as well.

### **Required Degree and Competences**

- At least upper secondary education or relevant experience
- Basic knowledge of Chinese administrations and institutions
- User's knowledge of the Belgian administrations and institutions
- Very good command of Dutch/French and English (written and oral).
- Knowledge of Chinese (Mandarin)
- ICT Tools: good knowledge of MS Office (Word, Outlook and Excel)
- Writing skills: correct grammar and spelling, polite formulations, ability to write concise and to the point.
- Oral skills: being able to express oneself in different languages (see above), in person, on the phone, in writing; having a constructive attitude; looking for efficiency and being driven by good quality results

#### Assets

- Job experience at another consular section / diplomatic or consular mission
- Previous working experience in government administration/private company
- Knowledge of visa/consular regulations is considered a strong asset
- Any additional organizational skill

## **Additional precisions:**

- You will work in a small and active team
- You will work in a changing and challenging environment
- You will deal with multi-faceted administrative as well as human factors and your input and attitude do make the difference in finding a solution/providing the necessary answer
- You will work in an international/intercultural environment offering many interesting interactions

# **Applications**

To apply for this position, please send your **CV** and **cover letter** no later than **20/01/2020**, 18:00 (Shanghai time) to <a href="mailto:shanghai@diplobel.fed.be">shanghai@diplobel.fed.be</a>, clearly stating "Applying for position" in the subject line.

### Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted.

In the meantime, for any questions related to this position, please contact the Consulate general by email (<a href="mailto:shanghai@diplobel.fed.be">shanghai@diplobel.fed.be</a>).