

Selected Internet Resources: Careers in Property Tax Assessment Administration

General

Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, *Occupational Outlook Handbook, 2006-07 Edition*, Appraisers and Assessors of Real Estate, on the Internet at <http://www.bls.gov/oco/ocos300.htm> (accessed July 23, 2007)

Organizations

American Society of Appraisers
<http://www.appraisers.org/>

Appraisal Institute
<http://www.appraisalinstitute.org/>

International Associations of Assessing Officers
<http://www.iaao.org>

Institute for Professional in Taxation
<http://www.ipt.org/>

International Property Tax Institute
<http://www.ipti.org/about.html>

National Association of Independent Fee Appraisers
<http://www.naifa.com>

Sources for Job Opportunities

Career Builder
Key word: Assessor and/or Appraiser; Job Category: Government
<http://www.careerbuilder.com/>

Careers in Government
<http://www.careersingovernment.com/>

Governing Magazine, Classified Ads, Career Opportunities
<http://www.governing.com/class.htm#career>

International Association of Assessing Officers (IAAO) Affiliates
Identifies state assessor associations and organizations
<http://www.iaao.org/sitePages.cfm?Page=79>

IAAO Careers/Classified Ads
<http://www.iaao.org/sitePages.cfm?Page=45>

IAAO Chapters

Identifies local chapters of the IAAO

<http://www.iaao.org/sitePages.cfm?Page=78>

IAAO Links

Associations, Assessor Associations, Assessment Jurisdictions, Foundations, Government Links, Organizations, Research Organizations/Universities, Specialty & Related Associations/Organizations, State Tax Agencies, and Valuation Standards Organizations

<http://www.iaao.org/sitePages.cfm?Page=74>

International City/County Management Association, JobCenter

<http://jobs.icma.org/>

Local Government Job Net

<http://www.govtjob.net/>

Northeastern Region of Assessing Officers, Job Mart

<http://www.nraao.org/jobmart.htm>

Public Service Careers

<http://www.publicservicecareers.org/>

State and Local Government on the Net

A directory of official state, county, and city government websites that can be searched to access your particular city or county employment or jobs listing

<http://www.statelocalgov.net>

Other Resources

One way to get related experience or a foot in the door is through volunteer opportunities. For example, if your local historical society needs data collectors to list and measure historic properties, this could be the introduction you need. Most communities have websites that list volunteer opportunities. You can also contact the agencies that you wish to work with about volunteer opportunities. If your intent is to have your volunteer experience qualify you for an entry-level or specific position with your city, county or state agency, ask a responsible person in the department you hope to be employed with whether your experience will be given consideration.

The same holds true for summer intern programs. These are generally handled by the city, county or state employment agency or human resources agency. Look for jobs that relate to the type of work that you would ultimately like to be hired for.

Finally, check this [blog](#) under the category *Property Assessment Careers* for postings that make reference to or include job sources.

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