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Thank you for your interest in becoming a Foreign Service Officer!

The Foreign Service Officer Test (FSOT) is an important part of the FSO selection process, covering the job knowledge, English expression and biographic information necessary to work as a Foreign Service Officer. View complete information on the [FSOT and selection process](#).

Scheduling your FSOT

You may create an account and submit the completed eligibility verification and application forms at any time. The seat selection portal will be open for 6 weeks and close a few days before the start of the testing window. The FSOT is offered three times per year in February, June, and October.

The Board of Examiners (BEX) announces that Pearson VUE will administer the February 2015 Foreign Service Officer Test from Saturday, January 31, 2015 to Saturday, February 7, 2015.

The updated list of embassies/consulates offering the February 2015 FSOT will be posted at www.careers.state.gov on Tuesday, December 16.

The seat selection portal will open on Wednesday, December 17, 2014, at 10:00 AM Central Time and close on Wednesday, January 28, 2015, at 10:00 AM Central Time.

Pilot Program Using Overseas Pearson Professional Centers

BEX is initiating a pilot program to offer the FSOT exclusively at certain overseas Pearson Professional Centers (PPCs) beginning with the February 2015 test administration. The embassies/consulates in the cities where the 23 PPCs are located will no longer administer the FSOT. The Board of Examiners chose among the PPCs that are wholly owned by Pearson VUE for this pilot so the PPC may not be in the capital.



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