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Over 2,800 Flock to Philadelphia International Airport Job Fair

Attendees sought hundreds of positions at businesses and government agencies

PHILADELPHIA – More than 2,800 hundred job seekers turned out for the Philadelphia International Airport (PHL) 2015 Job Fair at Temple University’s Liacouras Center on May 12. The attendees browsed opportunities from 36 employers including airlines, restaurants, car rental companies, retailers and government agencies such as the City of Philadelphia Division of Aviation and the Philadelphia Police and Fire Departments.

These numbers represent a significant increase over the 2014 Job Fair, which attracted 1,500 people and 27 employers. Based on a survey of employers following last year’s Job Fair, more than 250 jobs were filled.

The Job Fair was held in cooperation with the City of Philadelphia and Honorary co-Chairs Mayor Michael A. Nutter and Council President Darrell L. Clarke.

“PHL is a huge asset to our city and region, not only as a world-class airport serving millions of passengers and as an employer, but as an economic driver attracting businesses and visitors from around the world,” said Mayor Nutter. “People want to come to Philadelphia because they know they can get here easily, receive excellent customer service from the great people who work at PHL while they’re here and leave at the end of the trip wanting to return. The Airport’s Job Fair helped more Philadelphians join the workforce and this mission of putting our city’s best foot forward.”

Businesses participating in the Job Fair interviewed candidates on the spot and also accepted resumes. Job seekers also had opportunities to meet with employment specialists who reviewed their resumes and offered interview tips. Workplace etiquette workshops were also offered throughout the day. Attendees became familiar with the Airport’s Job Portal website, phljobportal.com, which lists job opportunities at PHL.

“It was great to see so many people excited about working in Airport-related jobs,” said Council President Clarke. “I would like to thank the Airport, Mayor Nutter, and all of our partners who put this successful Job Fair together. Let’s keep working to make sure that every Philadelphian who wants a job can find one in our city.”

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“The Airport supports more than 141,000 jobs in the region. Nearly 20,000 of those positions are right here at the Airport,” said Airport CEO Mark Gale. “It’s important that residents in the area have the first opportunity to fill open positions in businesses with operations at PHL. The Job Fair is one way that we help ensure that they do.”



More than 2,800 job seekers turned out for the PHL 2015 Job Fair at Temple's Liacouras Center.

This year, Philadelphia International Airport celebrates the 75th anniversary of its commercial air service. In 1940, the Airport served 40,000 passengers flying to a handful of cities. Today, more than 30 million passengers travel annually to 131 destinations around the world.

Philadelphia International Airport is owned and operated by the City of Philadelphia. The Airport is a self-sustaining entity that operates without the use of local tax dollars. It is one of the largest economic engines in Pennsylvania, generating an estimated \$14.4 billion in spending to the regional economy and accounting for more than 141,000 jobs.