

SUMMER'22 Challenge

Overview:

Consulates for USA visas have different offices in different parts of the world. All of them process applications independently, have different staff count and hence have different processing times.

Out of curiosity, there is no way to view all the branches' data at once and you must find out processing wait times one by one from this page.

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/us-visas/visa-information-resources/wait-times.html>

The Task:

Obtain a list of all such visa centers along with their processing times in a Google sheet or HTML table both of which should be **viewable in the browser**. [The list must be generated somehow, hardcoded values are not allowed for processing times.]

To encourage non-developer participants in this challenge, we are also sharing how to solve it.

https://travel.state.gov/etc/designs/travel/TSGglobal_libs/data/PostsVWT.js page gives you a list of all consulates.

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/resources/database/database.getVisaWaitTimes.html?cid=P83&aid=VisaWaitTimesHomePage> this API gives you waiting times for each consulate. [just change cid parameter]

Prize:

50 USD

Marking and Decision:

Candidate with the most votes from fellow candidates will be declared as the winner. Organizers will be tie breakers.

Each participant can vote for the top 3. First gets 30 points. Second gets 20 points and third gets 10 points. (e.g.: if total 10 participants are there, 600 points would be distributed)

Participants can not choose oneself in the top 3. (Max scorable is $[n-1] \times 30$)

BONUS 30 points for participants who complete the task in Google Sheets.

BONUS 30 points for blowing the minds and making others go “wow, that’s so smart” or anything out-of-the-box.

Deadline:

28th August 2022

Eligibility:

All contractors, employees can participate.

The final result should show full list of USA consulates with their processing times in 3 categories (Visit, Student and Other)

Final result table hence should have 5 columns: Consulate Code, Consulate Name, Time for Visitor Visa, Time for Student Visa, Time for Other Visas

Terms:

Participants MUST not track their time on Hubstaff while participating in this challenge.