

INFANTRY CAREER NOTES



OCS—WHAT ARE YOUR CHANCES?

If you're thinking about applying for Officer Candidate School (OCS), the following statistics from the September 1995 selection board will show you how your qualifications compare to those of the soldiers selected.

According to the Total Army Personnel Command (PERSCOM), the factors that carry the most weight in the selection process are PT scores, local board results, commander evaluations, and college degrees.

SEPTEMBER 1995 OCS BOARD RESULTS

| | APPLICANTS | SELECTED | NOT SELECTED | PERCENT SELECTED |
|-------------------------|------------|------------|--------------|------------------|
| Average Grade | E-5 | E-5 | E-5 | |
| Average Age | 28 | 28 | 28 | |
| Average GT Score | 120 | 121 | 120 | |
| Average OSB | 107 | 108 | 106 | |
| Average APFT | 272 | 286 | 265 | |
| Average TIS | 57 months | 63 months | 54 months | |
| Local Board Score | 64 | 70 | 60 | |
| EDUCATION: | | | | |
| AA Degree | 74 | 25 | 49 | 34 |
| AS Degree | 18 | 7 | 11 | 39 |
| BA Degree | 98 | 30 | 68 | 31 |
| BS Degree | 120 | 46 | 74 | 38 |
| MA Degree | 2 | 1 | 1 | 50 |
| MS Degree | 4 | 3 | 1 | 75 |
| Other Degree | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 60+ Credit Hours | 159 | 51 | 108 | 32 |
| TOTAL APPLICANTS | 475 | 163 | 312 | 34 |
| Men | 416 | 144 | 272 | 35 |
| Women | 59 | 19 | 40 | 32 |

LINGUISTS SOUGHT FOR USAR MI COMPANY

The 356th Military Intelligence Company (Linguist) is looking for linguists in Arabic, Farsi, and Russian who hold MOSs 97B, 97E, 98C, and 98G. The 356th is a U.S. Army Reserve company located in Atlanta, Georgia.

The company also has a number of MOS 97L (Interpreter/Translator) positions available in the same three languages. Vacancies exist in all enlisted grades, and warrant officer positions are open in MOSs 351B, 351E, 352C, and 352G.

The 97L MOS is a new specialty

found only in the reserve components. Army Reserve soldiers in other MOSs are eligible to transfer into 97L if they are rated at a language proficiency level of L2/R2 or higher in these three languages. Reservists who are proficient in other languages at the L2/R2 level or higher will also be considered on a case-by-case basis.

For more information, contact MAJ Alfred Beverly or SSG Scott Jones at (404) 363-5633/5634.

NWTC NEEDS INSTRUCTORS

The Northern Warfare Training Center (NWTC) at Fort Greely, Alaska,

is looking for instructors.

To qualify, noncommissioned officers should hold MOS 11B or 11C and be graduates of the Basic Mountaineering and Mountain Leader Courses (summer and winter) or have experience in mountaineering and skiing.

Resumes may be sent to the Commandant, Northern Warfare Training Center, ATTN: APVG-GNW, 501 2nd Street #2900, APO AP 96508-2900. Telephone inquiries may be directed to DSN 317-873-4107 or commercial (907) 873-4107.

RESERVE CGSOC ADDS TELETRAINING

U.S. Army Reserve officers who attend the nonresident Command and General Staff Officers Course (CGSOC) this year will get part of their instruction through video teletraining (VTT) from resident instructors at Fort Leavenworth.

The non-resident CGSOC, which lasts two years, is divided into four phases: Phases I and III run from October until May, one night a week or one weekend a month. Phases II and IV are offered in two-week periods each summer.

The VTT portion of non-resident instruction will make up one hour of the four-hour class (on weeknights only) for Phases I and III. VTT gives students a chance to exchange information with each other and to question the instructor.

To be eligible to enroll in the non-resident option, Army Reservists must be majors or promotable captains who have completed the Combined Arms and Services Staff School. Qualifying officers who want to sign up for non-resident training may call the School of Corresponding Studies at Fort Leavenworth, (913) 758-3401/3340.

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Reserve officers may also apply for the resident CGSOC to Department of the Army's Office of the Chief of Army Reserve (OCAR) selection board, announced annually, or take the course entirely by correspondence.

LOGISTICS TRAINING FOR SENIOR OFFICERS

The Senior Officer Logistics Management Course (SOLMC) is specifically designed to update battalion and brigade commanders, primary staff officers, and Department of the Army civilians working in the logistics field. The course encompasses maintenance, supply, readiness, and transportation procedures and offers hands-on experience with vehicles, unit-level logistics computer, ammunition, medical, communications, and NBC (nuclear, biological, and chemical) equipment.

The one-week course is conducted 12 times each fiscal year at Fort Knox, Kentucky. (Class schedules for the rest of Fiscal Year 1996 are shown in the accompanying table.) It is open to officers of all active and reserve component Army branches, the U.S. Marine Corps, and allied nations. Officers must be in the rank of major and above and civilians in the rank of GS-11 and above. Class quotas may be obtained through normal U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command channels.

Requests for further information about the course or for assistance in obtaining class quotas should be directed to the SOLMC Branch Chief, DSN 464-8152/3411, or commercial (502) 624-8152/3411. The mailing address is Commandant, U.S. Army Armor School, ATTN: ATSB-SBA-L, Fort Knox, KY 40121-5200.

| CLASS NUMBER | CLASS DATES |
|--------------|--------------|
| 96-05 | 04-09 FEB 96 |
| 96-06 | 17-22 MAR 96 |
| 96-07 | 14-19 APR 96 |
| 96-08 | 12-17 MAY 96 |
| 96-09 | 16-21 JUN 96 |
| 96-10 | 14-19 JUL 96 |
| 96-11 | 18-23 AUG 96 |
| 96-12 | 15-20 SEP 96 |

INVOLVING SOLDIERS IN CAREER MANAGEMENT

The U.S. Total Army Personnel Command (PERSCOM) has announced a series of initiatives designed to help soldiers participate in the management of their careers.

The Enlisted Personnel Management Directorate (EPMD) has developed five new means of communication that should help soldiers communicate better with their career managers.

Interactive Voice Response System (IVRS). The IVRS is an automated telephone system that provides soldiers with career information 24 hours a day. To use the system, a soldier dials 1-800-FYI-EPMD or DSN 221-EPMD and enters his social security number. He is then presented with menu options that will tell him if he is on assignment or scheduled to attend an Army school, along with topical information on retention, recruiting, drill sergeant, Special Forces, Rangers, compassionate reassignment, exceptional family member program, and separation.

Expanded E-Mail Capabilities. EPMD also encourages the use of E-Mail. Information exchanges can be conducted 24 hours a day on such sub-

jects as the status of personnel actions, future schooling, or assignments. A complete list of E-Mail addresses is shown in the table.

High-speed FAX Machines. Soldiers and personnel service centers can save time by FAXing communications directly to the desired career branch within EPMD for processing.

PERSGRAM. This mailgram is designed to supplement the chain of command in giving soldiers career or assignment information that is important to them.

To help a soldier keep track of all these new communication tools, EPMD is distributing a wallet-sized information card that lists his career manager's phone number, E-Mail address, FAX number, and IVRS instructions and telephone number. Soldiers can get their pocket cards at their servicing personnel centers.

To find out more about these innovations, contact the PERSCOM Public Affairs Office at E-Mail tapcpao@hoffman-emh1.army.mil or telephone (703) 325-8857, DSN 221-8857.

| ENLISTED PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT DIRECTORATE | | | |
|---|-----------------|--------------|--------------|
| E-Mail Addresses are: USERID@HOFFMAN-EMH1.ARMY.MIL | | | |
| FAX and Phone Numbers are Commercial (703) 325- or DSN 221- | | | |
| BRANCH | USERID | FAX | PHONE |
| COMBAT ARMS DIVISION | | | |
| Infantry Branch | EPCAD | | |
| Special Forces Branch | EPINF | -4880 | -5582 |
| Air Defense Branch | EPSF | -4510 | -8899 |
| Field Artillery Branch | EPADA | -4664 | -8867 |
| Armor Branch | EPFA | -4533 | -7549 |
| | EPAR | -4683 | -8862 |
| COMBAT SUPPORT DIVISION | | | |
| Engineer Branch | EPCSD | | |
| Military Police Branch | EPENGR | -4307 | -5890 |
| Military Intelligence Branch | EPMP | -4304 | -5592 |
| Language Branch | EPINTELL | -4304 | -4738 |
| Signal Branch | EPLANG | -4304 | -4738 |
| Aviation Branch | EPSIG | -4306 | -5891 |
| | EPAVN | -4308 | -5882 |
| COMBAT SERVICE SUPPORT DIVISION | | | |
| Adjutant General Branch | EPCSSD | | |
| Ordnance Branch | EPAG | -4474 | -5808 |
| Quartermaster Branch | EPORD | -6555 | -6553 |
| Chemical Branch | EPQMC | -4521 | -5415 |
| Health Service Branch | EPQMC | -4521 | -5415 |
| Transportation Branch | EPHS | -4747 | -9085 |
| | EPTRANS | -4308 | -5884 |
| CSM/SGM OFFICE | EPCSMSGM | -4694 | -7686 |