



## Keeping Civilian Status while Working in the Military

**Did you know that the United States Army has been employing civilians since its founding days? Since 1776, our country has hired civilians to work in military jobs while keeping their civilian status. These jobs were created out of need and are there to support our men and women in the armed forces. The Department of Defense is actually the country's largest employer, employing over 250,000 civilians. Each year the army hires over 25,000 permanent employees and thousands of temporary employees.**

**Civilian military jobs** are jobs working directly with the U.S. armed forces and/or Federal Government agencies that are connected to the armed forces in some capacity. **Civilian military jobs** are for people who wish to work for the U.S. military in some way and share their skills, but do not want to actually enlist. They simply apply for a job in their specialized area of expertise and get hired in a civilian status or as an external hire. They keep their civilian status throughout their employment and do not have to adhere to all of the mandates or rigors of the military; nor do they have to wear a uniform. Of course, these employees do follow the basic guidelines and decorum set by the military and the U.S. government.

The U.S. Army has an abundance of challenging, rewarding jobs in virtually all career fields and in all parts of the world. They have advanced employment practices, a friendly atmosphere, outstanding benefits, and an extremely diverse workforce. If you are a student, a recent graduate, a veteran, a federal employee, or an average citizen seeking information about opportunities with the military, you should do further research and find out more about the many opportunities that may await you working in a military job while keeping your civilian status.

The people who apply for these **military jobs** are not necessarily veterans, although they could be, and it is definitely a plus when applying for a military job to have this on your resume. As a matter of fact, qualified, ex-military members are entitled to what is called veterans' preference in both hiring and retention for all government jobs, including **civilian military jobs**.

There are job-searching institutions or job-finding agencies that specialize in helping people find civilian military jobs and are constantly tracking jobs from military employers including businesses, organizations, and government departments of the United States. The experienced researchers in these agencies, in addition to their sophisticated artificial intelligence, enable these job-finding agencies to gain access

to the highest-quality military jobs. They have advanced ways of classifying military jobs and seeking out all credible military jobs available. These agencies provide their members with the best military employment opportunities and the resources and tools they need to get hired.

There are civilian military jobs available in several different areas. There are air force military jobs that civilians can apply for. There is a new automated-recruitment process that will post all external vacancy announcements in the office of personnel. Air force civilian military jobs are listed through "USA Jobs," which is the U.S. government's official job bank. You can learn more about this job and others by doing a search on "army civilian military jobs."

One can get a job working for the military as a military engineer technician or any type of technician. There is a vast variety of jobs available in this field for both military and civilians as well. This is a highly respected job, with endless opportunities for advancement. Training and education will vary according to the job.

There are many jobs in the military for engineers. This includes civil, electrical, and scientific engineers. The pay for these jobs can be excellent for a qualified person and the benefits are excellent.

There are jobs for experienced professionals and in exclusive U.S. and international senior-level, management, and executive positions. These are six-figure-salary jobs that are available for new recruits in consultant positions in a wide range of industries including government.

To find out the availability of the jobs you may be looking for, check out the most current information on the Internet. The U.S. Army posts vacancies on two Web sites: [www.cpol.army.mil](http://www.cpol.army.mil) and [www.usajobs.opm.gov](http://www.usajobs.opm.gov). You can access these sites, which are updated daily, and view current vacancies. You will get a full description of the job, the qualifications required,



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and the salary range; and you will be told whether the job is permanent or temporary, full time or part time. You will also be given information as to who can apply. Once you have found a job that interests you, the process of applying for most of these jobs is quite easy.

Becoming a member of the Army Civilian Team has countless opportunities for your present employment as well as your future career goals. If you have an interest in doing valuable work that will support our nation's armed forces, this may be the place to start for you.

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