

Military Fields and Civilian Equivalents: A Primer

Combat Arms/Special Forces	→	Planning, Leadership/Management		
Human Resources	\longrightarrow	Personnel		
Intelligence	→	Market Research, Business Development		
Operations and Plans	→	Training, Operations Management		
Logistics	→	Purchasing, Supply Chain Management		
Technical Communications	→	Information Technology, Electronic Communications		
Comptroller	→	Accounting, Financial Planning		
Medical	\longrightarrow	Medicine		
Engineering	→	Engineering, Construction, Heavy Equipment, and Demolition		
Judge Advocate	──	Legal		
Installation Management	\longrightarrow	Facilities Management		



Service Members' Intangible Skills: A Primer

("Valued Skills" that the Military builds include Organization, Leadership, Team Building, Problem Solving, and Decision Making)

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Rank	E-4	E-5	E-6	E-7	E-8	E-9
Years in Military and Age	4 20-22 years old	6-8 23-26 years old	8-12 27-31 years old	12-16 32-35 years old	16-20 36-38 years old	20-plus 38 + years old
Values and Personal Attributes Developed in Training	 Teamwork Ethics Self-discipline Self-confidence Tactical Competence 	Perform under pressureResponsibility	 Disciplined approach to work Performance in high stress environment Tougher decision making 	An intense sense of mission and discipline	Strong work ethicProblem solving skillsCommunication skills	 Think and act strategically Give direction to achieve mission
Leadership Skills Received in Training	Knowledge and skills to be a successful small unit leader	 Accountable for squad's health and readiness How to provide training 	Expected to provide counseling and directive/ corrective communications to subordinates	 Operational planning Project management 	 How to lead in high stress environments How to advise and counsel subordinates How to interact with higher levels of leadership 	 How to lead, complex organizations in a matrixed environment Supervisor and managerial skills
Size of Group the Member Leads	Fire Team/Squad: 8 – 12 people	Squad/Section: 13 – 25 people	Platoon: 26 – 55 people	Company Level: 80 - 120 people	Company to Battalion Level: 150 - 300 people	Battalion or Regiment: 300 + people
Sample Courses	NCO Course	Sergeant's Course	Career Course	Advance Course	Master/First Sergeant Seminar	Sergeant Major's Academy/Senior Enlisted Course