

Q&A

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What is your most memorable experience as a Department of the Army Civilian?

I worked at Fort Ord and the Naval Postgraduate School in California. I loved the experience of living there - the Monterey Bay Area was my favorite part.

What do you like most about your job/career as a DA Civilian?

The **sense of family** is what sets being a DA Civilian apart from other jobs. DPTMS and the TSC has an amazing team and is a really nice organization to work with. **I enjoy helping set the standard** and assisting military personnel in meeting their training requirements and needs. Having lived

as an Army dependent and growing up in this environment, **I appreciate the diversity of the people I encounter.**

Why did you choose a career as a DA Civilian?

My father is a retired master sergeant and my mother retired after 28 years of civil service. **I grew up in the military environment and always appreciated the atmosphere – it became home for me.** I had my first summer hire position with Fort Leonard Wood Billeting Maintenance in 1983 and a few other jobs in the years that followed. After returning from California, I accepted an appointment with the Directorate of Information Management here.

What are the benefits of working as a DA Civilian?

As a DA Civilian, attending classes and bettering yourself is more than possible, and **the opportunities you are afforded allow you to give back to the Army community.** As far as the local area and economy, **Fort Leonard Wood is a great place to be employed.**

