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Assists in the planning and advising on the implementation of new ideas, procedures, processes, methods or approaches in areas of productivity, quality management, and continuous improvement initiatives.



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What brought you to Fort Leonard Wood?

I am orginally from Dublin, Ohio. I came to Fort Leonard Wood after being chosen to be a part of the **Army's Installation Management Career Program 29 Army Fellows Program.**

Why did you choose to become a DA Civilian?

I wanted to be in the Navy growing up, and even made it into the Reserve Officer Training Corps program, but I was unable to get a medical waiver for a condition that I have, so I couldn't serve in the military in any way, shape or form. Someone reached out to me and said, 'Hey, there's this excellent opportunity as a DA Civilian, which will allow you to serve your country and work with the military.' **Seeing that there was an alternative to military service, I jumped at the opportunity.**

What is your favorite part about being a DA Civilian?

I've really enjoyed the opportunity to meet so many different people. My first year on the job, I was able to rotate around different organizations and meet and interact with various individuals. If I was assigned to the one specific group, I wouldn't have had that opportunity or those interactions. What advice would you give to others who are thinking about becoming a DA Civilian?

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