



## Chaplain Assistant (56M)

Army Chaplains provide for the spiritual needs of Army personnel of any denomination. Chaplain Assistants provide much-needed support to the Chaplains during missions and everyday activities. A Chaplain Assistant primarily provides support for the Unit Ministry Team programs and worship services.

Duties performed by the Chaplain Assistant include:

- Coordinating Unit Ministry Team activities
- Maintaining physical security of Unit Ministry Team facilities/equipment
- Safeguarding privileged communications and offerings
- Arranging religious retreats and memorial ceremonies
- Supporting the Unit Ministry Team readiness program
- Maintaining chaplain vestments and religious items

### **TRAINING**

Job training for Chaplain Assistants consists of seven weeks of classroom instruction, where you'll learn:

- English grammar, spelling and punctuation
- Typing and clerical skills
- Preparing forms and correspondence in Army style
- Roles and responsibilities of Army chaplains
- Religious history and background

### **HELPFUL SKILLS**

Helpful attributes include:

- Interest in organization and keeping accurate records
- Preference for clergy office work
- Interest in operating typewriters, computers and other office machines
- Ability to organize and plan

### **ADVANCED RESPONSIBILITIES**

Advanced level Chaplain Assistants are responsible for performing religious support duties in first-level battle fatigue care. Advanced level Chaplain

Assistants provide emergency ministrations on the battlefield, organize support for Unit Ministry Team programs and conduct training on different religions, cultural distinctions and world customs.

**RELATED CIVILIAN JOBS**

The skills learned as a Chaplain Assistant can be applied to many positions assisting clergy members in churches, synagogues or mosques.

**RELATED ARMY POSITIONS**

Human Resources Specialist (42A)

Administrative Specialist (42L)

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