



Signals Collector/Analyst (98Y)

The nation's defense depends on information from foreign language newspapers, magazines, radio broadcasts and other sources. Therefore, it's very important that some members of the Army be able to read and understand the many languages of the world.

The Signals Collector/Analyst is primarily responsible for performing and supervising the detection, acquisition, location and identification of foreign electronic intelligence.

Additional responsibilities may include:

- Deploying, installing and operating electronic intelligence collection systems.

- Searching the radio frequency spectrum to collect, identify, and record target communications and selected categories or classes of electro-optic or foreign instrumentation signals.

- Operating communications equipment for signals intelligence reporting and coordination.

- Performing basic signals analysis to determine signal parameters for identification and processing.

- Operating signals intelligence equipment and prepares logs and technical reports.

TRAINING

Job training for a Signals Collector/Analyst consists of nine weeks of Basic Training, where you'll learn basic Soldiering skills, and 11 weeks of Advanced Individual Training and on-the-job instruction, including practice in interpretation. Part of this time is spent in the classroom and part in the field.

HELPFUL SKILLS

Helpful attributes include:

- A talent for foreign languages

- An interest in speech, communications and foreign languages

- An interest in working with people

- An interest in reading and writing

RELATED CIVILIAN JOBS

The skills you'll learn as a Signals Collector/Analyst will help prepare you for a future as a civilian translator or interpreter with government agencies, embassies, universities and companies that conduct business overseas.

Also, because of the time you'll spend studying society and human nature, depending on which specialty you pursue, you might be interested in a career as a lawyer, statistician, marketing manager, advertising executive, mathematician, computer programmer, computer scientist, reporter, social worker or counselor.

RELATED ARMY POSITIONS

Signals Intelligence Analyst (98C)

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