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Acquisition News

Academic Year (AY) 2008-2009 Senior Service College Graduate Placement Program (SSC-GPP)

The AY 2008-2009 SSC-GPP will soon begin, and Headquarters, U.S. Army Acquisition Support Center has already taken steps to participate, in conjunction with the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, G-1, in obtaining follow-on assignments for the civilian Army Acquisition Corps students upon their graduation. The Army's senior leadership recognizes that developing civilian leaders is a critical element to the Army's current capability and future success. SSC education prepares civilians for positions of greater leadership responsibility. The best way for acquisition organizations to capitalize on the investment that the Army has made in these graduates is to match these individuals with positions that allow them to demonstrate and take advantage of their expanded skills. The goal is to manage these acquisition professionals as "pre-Senior Executive Service candidates" ensuring they are assigned only the most challenging leadership positions. The intent is to improve the Army acquisition SSC selection and placement procedures to ensure that the best and brightest attend SSC, and post-utilization positions are identified either before or early in the school year. For additional information, contact Roberta J. McMillen, (703) 805-1017, roberta.mcmillen@us.army.mil.

Section 852 of the National Defense Authorization Act of 2008, Public Law No. 110-181

Section 852 directs the establishment of the Defense Acquisition Workforce Development Fund (DAWDF). This fund enables the Department of Defense (DOD) to recruit and hire, develop and train, and recognize and retain its acquisition workforce. The U.S. Army Acquisition Support Center (USAASC) is responsible for identifying the Army's Section 852 initiatives. Starting in summer 2007, on behalf of the Army's Director for Acquisition Career Management, USAASC canvassed its acquisition community for potential DAWDF requirements and, in January 2008, provided the results to the Defense Acquisition University. Supplemental revisions have since been made to the Army's Section 852 plan, resulting in an approximate \$1 billion requirements proposal over the Future Year Defense Plan. By mid-August 2008, the Army will present its final plan to Dr. James I. Finley, Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology, for approval and supplemental funding to enable deployment of the approved initiatives. Upon approval of the Army's Section 852 plan, USAASC will release a follow-on article providing more definitive information. The complete language of the law is at <http://www.govtrack.us/congress/billtext.xpd?bill=h110-4986>.

FY09 Army Selection Boards

Below is the FY09 Active Army selection board schedule:

BOARD	TENTATIVE DATES	BOARD	TENTATIVE DATES
LTC/GS14 AAC CMD (AC/RC)	28 Oct.-05 Nov. 08	FY09 SFC	03-27 Feb. 09
BG ARMY	13-22 Nov. 08	LTC ARMY	18 Feb.-13 March 09
SSC CIVILIAN	02-04 Dec. 08	SSC ARMY	31 March-17 April 09
COL/GS 15 AAC CMD	21-24 Jan. 09	MAJ ARMY	21 April -14 May 09
WO 3/4/5	21 Jan.-06 Feb 09	FY09 CSM/SGM/SMC	09-28 July 09
MG ARMY	03-04 Feb 09	COL ARMY	07-24 July 09

Additional board information may be obtained at:

Officer: <https://www.hrc.army.mil/site/active/select/ofwoprom.htm>

Enlisted: <https://www.hrc.army.mil/site/active/select/enlisted.htm>

ALT Workforce News

DAU Training Priority Code Request for Military Personnel

Military AL&T workforce members who require a priority change because of training requirements for their next assignments must annotate the following in the comments section of their ATRRS (Army Training Requirements & Resources System) Internet Training Application System (AITAS) application: "Request code of Priority 1 for training required for my next position as Title. I will assume this position on Dates for this Acquisition Category (ACAT) I, II, or III program." For additional information, contact Herman Gaines, Jr., (703) 806-1252, DSN 655-1252, Herman.GainesJR@us.army.mil.

The Competitive Development Group/Army Acquisition Fellowship (CDG/AAF) Program Year Group 2009 (YG09) Application Is Online

The CDG/AAF Program YG09 application is available online at http://asc.army.mil/career/programs/cdgaaf/cdgaaf_2009.cfm. The closing date for applications is Sept. 15, 2009. Interested applicants must have an Army Knowledge Online e-mail account to login to the Career Acquisition Management Portal and then into the Career Acquisition Personnel and Position Management Database (CAPP MIS). Once logged into CAPP MIS, click on the tab for the Army Acquisition Professional Development System (AAPDS). AAPDS allows access to the required documents for the 2009 CDG/AAF Program Announcement as well as the uploading of other documents not available in CAPP MIS. The point of contact for questions about this program is Joan L. Sable, (703) 805-1240, DSN 655-1240, joan.l.sable@us.army.mil.

AAC Upcoming Events

Oct. 5, 2008

The 2008 U.S. Army Acquisition Corp's Annual Awards Ceremony is scheduled for Oct. 5, 2008. The Army Acquisition Excellence and Project/Product Manager and Acquisition Director of the Year Awards will be presented at this ceremony. Additional details are at http://asc.army.mil/acq_awards/information.cfm.

Oct. 6-8, 2008

The AUSA Annual Meeting and Exposition is scheduled for Oct. 6-8 at the Washington Convention Center, Washington, DC. Additional details are at <http://www.ausa.org/webpub/DeptIndustry.nsf/byid/RBOH-7CTRKP>.

Important AAC Links

U.S. Army Acquisition Support Center

<http://asc.army.mil>

Army AL&T Magazine

<http://asc.army.mil/altmag/>

Acquisition Management Branch <https://www.hrc.army.mil/site/protect/active/opfam51/ambmain.htm>. AKO registration required.

Comments to the Editorial Staff

The USAASC Newsletter editorial staff is accepting articles. Writer's guidelines are at the bottom of the following Web page <http://asc.army.mil/transformation/newsletter.cfm>.

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