

## Field Artillery

### **OVERVIEW**

The field artillery officer leads the field artillery branch, who neutralizes the enemy by cannon, rocket and missile fire. The officer must be an expert in tactics, techniques and procedures for the employment of fire support systems.

### **JOB DUTIES**

Lead field artillery troops and combined armed forces during land combat

Coordinate the employment of field artillery Soldiers at all levels of command

Additional positions include the role of fire support officer, fire direction officer, platoon leader and battery executive officer

### **REQUIREMENTS**

Those who want to serve must first take the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery, a series of tests that helps you better understand your strengths and identify which Army jobs are best for you.

### **TRAINING**

Job training for a field artillery officer requires completion of Basic Officer Leaders Course I & II and the Field Artillery Officer Basic Course. This will provide in-depth knowledge for fire support, observed fire, fire direction and platoon leadership.

### **HELPFUL SKILLS**

Self-discipline, confidence and intelligence

Physically and mentally fit to perform under pressure

Ability to make quick decisions

Capable of bearing numerous responsibilities

### **FUTURE CIVILIAN CAREERS**

The skills you learn will help prepare you for a career in fields such as business management. An officer in the Army is closely related to managerial positions in corporations.