



Concrete Preservation Institute

Sustaining Landmarks, Building Futures

Field School: Alcatraz Island & Pearl Harbor

Program Overview

- **Experience of a lifetime** for active duty military, post-9/11 veterans, reservists, and guard members. Other young adults and military spouses/dependents accepted on space available basis
- **No prior experience required**, great preparation regardless of career interest
- Significant repair projects on **National Historic Landmark Structures and Monuments**
- Led by **CPI's expert staff and National Park Service (NPS) & industry guest lectures**
- **Three 12-week, full-time sessions each year** at each location
- **No program fees** for military affiliated individuals; fees may apply for others (please see CPI website or call for fee information for specific sessions)
- CPI is an **official US Army Career Skills Program** (open to individuals from any service branch) and **partners with the US National Park Service**
- See below for information specific to different Field School locations

Employment Outlook

CPI participants, with or without college degrees, gain excellent career opportunities in many areas within and outside of the concrete/construction industries including project management, business development, sales, marketing, engineering and design, skilled trades, artistic and specialty concrete, equipment mechanic and operation, lab/site material quality control/testing, truck driving, etc. Top industry executives routinely visit our project sites to interview participants. We have a strong placement rate for our alumni actively seeking employment in many areas across the United States.

Participants

- Earn **480 National Park Service volunteer hours** (in addition to any scholarship or stipend that may be offered)
- Complete OSHA course and receive **OSHA Safety Certificate**
- Gain or prepare for concrete Industry **professional certifications** (see below)
- Gain **teamwork skills and a tremendous sense of accomplishment** completing significant real-world projects
- Gain **leadership experience** through project & logistics management, safety management, and public relations
- Develop **hands-on skills** in basic concrete construction/repair design, evaluation, and testing; project scheduling/estimating; tool/equipment operation and maintenance; wood carpentry; and concrete materials/mixing/placement/finishing
- Become knowledgeable about **preservation and long-term stewardship** of natural resources and the built environment
- **Interact often with industry executives** to learn and interview for jobs or internships
- Participate in **field trips** to local project sites, manufacturing facilities, and business locations
- Give back by serving as **mentors for local youth** during CPI's community service activities
- Join the growing **CPI alumni network** across the US

Alcatraz Island Program Specifics

- Participants are post-9/11 military veterans, reservists, guard members; other young adults and military spouses/dependents accepted on limited basis
- Housing and local transportation provided; monthly stipend may be offered (see website or call for possible stipend information)
- Specialized concrete repair & introduction to overall concrete and construction industries; advanced repair projects on various structural systems
- Training for International Concrete Repair Institute's (ICRI) Concrete Surface Repair Technician (CSRT) Certification (candidates are encouraged to register for the ICRI certification once they are in the workforce; some employers pay for the program)
- Partners are US National Park Service, Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy, industry companies

Pearl Harbor Program Specifics

- Participants are active duty military as part of CPI's official US Army Career Skills Program (all military branches may participate)
- Overall concrete and construction experience and basic concrete repair; projects to train for American Concrete Institute (ACI) certification and repair mass concrete of historic Battleship Row mooring quays in Pearl Harbor
- ACI Field Testing Technician Grade 1 Certification (completed as part of the CPI program); introduction to ICRI CSRT
- Partners are US National Park Service, US Army, Pacific Historic Parks, industry companies

Our priority is our Field School aimed at job placement and landmark preservation. We enrich the participant experience and contribute broadly to industry and society through practical research, industry professional development, giving back locally through youth mentoring, and advancing applied sustainability through preservation.

Please consider getting involved or becoming a sponsor or donor for a Field School site, project, or participant.

We are passionate about what we do and welcome opportunities to share our story. Please call to inquire about a presentation meaningful for any audience that is motivational, history-based, technical or non-technical, and highlighted by powerful stories and imagery of amazing young adults moving forward in their lives.

Please visit our website for more information and to view our overview video

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