



Veterans to Infrastructure

ABOUT CPI

- CPI trains and inspires quality people for civilian concrete, construction, and infrastructure careers while preserving national landmark structures
- Non-profit 501(c)3 educational foundation, official US Military Career Skills Program (CSP) for active duty service members from any branch of the US armed forces, and partner of the US National Park Service (NPS)
- Field Schools at Alcatraz Island, San Francisco, California, and Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, provide uniquely powerful experiences for transitioning service members to begin acclimatization to civilian life while preparing for careers
- Participants gain exposure to many areas of the construction industry with hands-on and leadership training, industry professional certifications, and completion of all aspects of significant projects
- Job Placement Program connects participants and others from the military with job opportunities at all levels from skilled trades to management across the US; large and small concrete and construction companies nationwide support CPI and are eager to hire graduates
- 2016-17 program year, all Field School participants had at least one job interview, many had 2-3 or more
- Employment goals are immediate post-military transition job placement to avoid the veteran-to-civilian transition curve that too often results in veteran unemployment or underemployment, and employment longevity fostered by strong matches between candidates/their families and companies in desired geographic areas where they have family roots or otherwise seek to establish their civilian life and in positions well-suited for their aptitude and personal outlook/goals
- Year around, full-time presence at NPS sites provides continuous stewardship - bringing expertise, resources, and peoplepower for NPS construction & infrastructure projects that would not otherwise be completed due to limited capital improvement budgets
- Field School completion of major projects and infrastructure maintenance at high-profile NPS sites - guided by leading industry experts training service members for strong civilian careers - attracts media and PR coverage helping educate broad audiences about the resources required to repair and maintain public lands, landmarks, and infrastructure and highlighting our responsibility to deliver on promises made to service members and their families
- Direct connection to four university programs in CA, TX, TN, & NJ for service members seeking higher education; CPI is developing articulation agreements with these universities for academic transfer credit
- Job outlook:
 - Construction project management for buildings and infrastructure
 - Structure and infrastructure inspection, assessment, maintenance, and repair
 - Material & equipment manufacturing - plant management, operations, and production
 - Logistics for construction projects and manufacturing/transportation operations
 - Quality control
 - Safety management & practice
 - Mechanical & electrical technology & systems development, management, & operations
 - Information technology development, management, & operations
 - Research
 - Truck driving
 - Technical Sales – may include active engagement on project sites
 - Non-technical sales
 - Accounting & bookkeeping
 - Human resources
 - Business & strategy development
 - Marketing & PR
 - Writer for concrete and construction publications
 - Positions with industry professional associations
 - Clerical