Geographic Intelligence Specialist, 0261 USMC
Overview

What is an 0261?

How make an 0261?

Conventional Practices

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What is changing?
Geographic Intelligence Specialists collect, analyze, and process geophysical data and geographic information to aid in the production of geographic intelligence products. Geographic intelligence products are derived from manipulating geospatial information by collecting, querying, validating and analyzing geospatial information. Equipment utilized includes survey and mapping instrumentation such as the theodolites, electronic and satellite positioning equipment, and microcomputer based mapping equipment. Geographic Information Systems (GIS) are used for analysis of geographic information and remotely sensed data.
How do you make an 0261?

- Basic Geographic Intelligence Specialist Course
  - 7.5 Months long
  - Private through Sergeant

- Intermediate Geographic Intelligence Specialist Course (IGIS)
  - 4 Months long
  - Corporal through Gunnery Sergeant
Conventional Practices

- Task oriented problems
- Linear processes that do not account for real world considerations
- Training Approach versus Educational Model
The road ahead...

- Teach spatial reasoning and Geographic Information Systems (GIS)
- Train Geospatial-Intelligence (GEOINT)
- Provide a well rounded education to create robust thinkers with creative and adaptive problem solving skills
What’s changing?

- Blended curriculum that focuses on education that provides training opportunities
- Learning objectives clearly mapped to NGA & USGIF Certification Programs
- Outside influence critical to successfully reinvent current practices!!
Questions?