

# MILITARY TRAINING INSTRUCTOR

Staff Sgt. Nicole Pino

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“ Since I was a trainee going through Basic Military Training myself, I knew I wanted to be an MTI. When I actually got accepted to become one, I had no idea how much I would love the job. You hear a lot about the long hours and demanding expectations but, for me, it’s all worthwhile. Being an MTI is definitely one of the most rewarding experiences of my life. I can’t describe how it feels to march your flight down the bomb run on graduation day. It’s such a sense of pride and accomplishment. I truly believe I have one of the best jobs in the Air Force. ”

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