

Direct, collect, process and disseminate intelligence. Monitor and analyse electronic transmissions, analyse and interpret aerial or satellite imagery using high tech systems. Produce tailored intelligence to support, inform and influence commanders, aircrews or ground troops.

KEY POINTS

- A challenging and varied working environment.
- The opportunity to have a real-time impact on operations.
- Access to supported undergraduate and post-graduate degree schemes.

TRADE OVERVIEW

Information is collected from multiple sources, including aerial and satellite imagery and foreign communications, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Analysts are required to collect, collate and evaluate information to create actionable intelligence reports and threat assessments. As an Intelligence Analyst (Int An) you could be employed in a number of varied roles from the outset. These range from assisting a Squadron Intelligence Officer in providing tactical support to frontline aircrew, to strategic roles focussing on the broader intelligence picture. The opportunities available to you as an Int An are varied, making this a particularly broad and interesting role. Very early on in your career you will have a high-level of responsibility, so the contribution you will make will be vital to operational success. You will often be the person at the front, assisting the senior commander in making key decisions on aspects of a military operation.

TRANSFERABLE SKILLS:

The qualifications and experience you will gain are as valuable in the civilian world as they are in the RAF. This means that whenever you decide to leave the RAF you will be well placed to find a job in a number of fields. This could include telecommunications, analytical work, research, media, information technology or the Civil Service. All Int Ans will be offered the opportunity to complete an RAF Higher Apprenticeship in Intelligence Operations – this is the only Level 4 Apprenticeship the RAF offers. As you progress you will gain a great deal of management and leadership experience which you will have the opportunity to transfer into relevant civilian qualifications. We will give you the confidence and broad experience to succeed in whatever you choose to do.

REWARDS FROM RAF LIFE

- Competitive pay and pension
- Training and lifelong learning
- Six weeks paid leave and public holidays
- Free medical and dental care
- Subsidised food and accommodation
- Free gym and sports facilities
- Adventurous training opportunities

REGULAR ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

RECRUIT TRAINING

Your career will start with a 10-week Basic Recruit Training Course at RAF Halton in Buckinghamshire. The course is designed to help you adjust to a military environment. As well as fitness and military training, you will also learn about the RAF lifestyle.

Intelligence Analyst

Age:

Minimum age 17. Younger candidates cannot be accepted because of current security vetting requirements. Maximum age limit is 47yrs i.e. must have attested by their 48th birthday.

SPECIALIST TRAINING

The next step is a 14-week Operational Air Intelligence Course (OPAIC) at the Air Intelligence Wing, DITG Chicksands, Bedfordshire, where you will learn the fundamentals of Air Intelligence. This course is designed to train you in the basics of Operational Intelligence (OPINT). It will give you a good understanding of the sources of information, and the techniques for processing them. You will also develop the skills to disseminate it effectively through written or graphical means, including the delivery of a detailed but concise intelligence briefing.

Qualifications:

Minimum of 2 GCSEs at grade C (Grade 4 to 5 with effect from Aug 17) or above or SCE Standard Grade 2/Scottish National 5 (Grade A – C) in English Language and Mathematics.

The course also covers the roles of UK intelligence organisations such as Defence Intelligence (DI), and the RAF intelligence structure. You will learn about IT applications, research techniques and military mapping which concludes with a final exercise. This will be the culmination of all your training where you will put all your new skills into practice in a real time environment. Whilst undergoing Phase 2 training, you will also begin the RAF Apprenticeship that will allow you to gain civilian accredited qualifications. On successful completion of the course, you will graduate as a Leading Aircraftman/woman (LAC) and be posted to your first tour of duty.

Pay: Visit

<https://www.raf.mod.uk/recruitment/roles/roles-finder/intelligence/intelligence-analyst>

ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATION OPPORTUNITIES

The RAF Int An Apprenticeship Centre (RIAAC) offers individuals the opportunity to register for the Intelligence Analyst Apprenticeship Standard. The apprenticeship is a Level 4 qualification, administered by the RIAAC on behalf of 22 (Trg) Gp Apprenticeship Management Team. The requisite skills will be delivered during the OPAIC and further developed during RIAAC led workshops while in the workplace. All trainees will be subject to an End Point Assessment ahead of an award of the qualification.

ONGOING TRAINING/DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

As your career progresses, we will continue to train you in new skills. In addition to management and leadership training you may be selected for one of a range of further training courses. This will be in one of the specialist intelligence (INT) fields including Imagery (IMINT), Open Source (OSINT), Signals (SIGINT) or Cyber. These opportunities can arise at any time in your career, but normally occur following your first tour.

YOUR FIRST TOUR

For your first assignment you may be posted to an Intelligence Cell (Int Cell) at an RAF station or operational Squadron working in direct support to platforms such as F-35, P8, RIVET JOINT and Remotely Piloted Air Systems (RPAS). Alternatively, you could be employed in a more strategic role based at RAF Wyton, working within the Air & Space Intelligence Centre (ASIC), National Centre for Geospatial Intelligence (NCGI) or one of the squadrons within 1 ISR Wing. You will be required to utilise state of the art systems to support more senior analysts across the whole spectrum of roles including SIGINT, IMINT and OPINT in the production of Intelligence Reports, Mission Reports and summaries. More specialist roles may be available at Joint Service Signals Unit (JSSU) Digby, JSSU Cyprus, 54 Signals Unit (SU) or 591 SU. Here you will be employed on a wide range of tasks relating to the analysis of complex communications data transmissions or defensive Cyber. During your first tour you will initially work under supervision until you gain experience. At some of these locations you may be required to work shifts which include unsociable hours and weekends but with subsequent stand down periods.

YOUR FUTURE CAREER PROSPECTS AND PROGRESSION:

After completing one year's total service you will be eligible for promotion to Senior Aircraftman/woman, providing you pass the Basic Trade Training and Trade Ability Test. There are limited opportunities for overseas postings, and you should expect to be deployed on an operational tour of up to six months at various stages in your career. Promotion to the rank of Corporal and beyond is by competitive selection once vacancies become available and is statistically quicker than most other trades. Established Int Ans may also consider applying for a role as an Airborne Specialist or for commissioning into the Intelligence Branch. As part of one of the trades in the RAF that is currently expanding, you will have many opportunities to specialise in roles that will support current and future intelligence collection platforms.

Commanders cannot make decisions without reliable intelligence, and as an Intelligence Analyst in the RAF you will play a key role this process.

Selection: You will be assessed on physical fitness and medical eligibility. Additionally, you will also be required to complete the Airmen's Selection Test at your local AFCCO to a standard appropriate to your choice of trade. Attendance at a specialist assessment, briefing and testing at the Air Int Wg, DSI is mandatory for all candidates.

Residency: Whether or not you were born in the United Kingdom, you should have resided there for the 10 years immediately preceding your application, but candidates with a minimum of 7 years will be considered.

Nationality: You must have been a citizen of the United Kingdom since birth or a dual British Irish citizen.

A Modern Force: The RAF recognises the value of a person's ability no matter their ethnicity, social background, religion or belief, gender identity, sexual orientation or marital status/civil partnership.



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Intelligence

Register your interest in this role:

Online:

<https://www.raf.mod.uk/recruitment/roles/roles-finder/intelligence/intelligence-analyst>

or

Telephone: 0345 605 5555

To access the Trade Ambassador Network (TAN) Scheme and connect with a specialist in your local area, please contact:

CRN-recruitsselect-SET-INT@mod.gov.uk

This information was last updated on 03 Aug 21, but may have changed since. If you have any queries, please check with RAF Staff at any Armed Forces Careers Office.

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