



**FTS/AM_CAREER PATH
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The Aviation Structural Mechanic - Hydraulics (AM) maintains all aircraft main and auxiliary hydraulic power systems, actuating subsystems, and landing gear. Responsible for maintenance on the aircraft fuselage (mainframe) wings airfoils, associated fixed and moveable surfaces and flight controls.

YEARS OF SERVICE	CAREER MILESTONES	AVERAGE TIME TO PROMOTE	COMMISSIONING OR OTHER SPECIAL PROGRAMS	SEA/ShORE ROTATION	TYPICAL CAREER PATH DEVELOPMENT
26-30	AFCM	22.3 Yrs	CMC	36	Follow on Shore Tours.
23-26	AFCM AMCS	22.3 Yrs 19.3	CMC, CMD SCPO, CWO	48	4 th Sea Tour Billet: Prod/Maint LCPO/CMC/ Dept LCPO. Duty: Squadron/AIMD/Staff. Qualification: SEA.
20-23	AFCM AMCS AMC	22.3 Yrs 19.3 15.4	CWO, CMC, CMD SCPO	42	3 rd Shore Tour Billet: Staff LCPO/Prod LCPO/SEA/CSC. Duty: TYCOM/AIMD/NAR. Qualification: SEA.
16-20	AMCS AMC AM1	19.3 Yrs 15.4 10.6	MECP, OCS, LDO, CWO, CMD SCPO, Equal Opportunity Advisor, Drug and Alcohol Counselor	48	3 rd Sea Tour Billet: Maint LCPO/Dept LCPO/QA. Duty: Squadron/Wing Staff.
12-16	AMCS AMC AM1	19.3 Yrs 15.4 10.6		42	2 nd Shore Tour Billet: Instructor/Recruit Company CDR/Staff/ Div/Prod/Maint CPO/ Command Chief. Duty: Fleet Replacement Squadron/AIMD/NAR. Qualification: LCPO MTS.
8-12	AMC AM1 AM2	15.4 Yrs 10.6 5.2		48	2 nd Sea Tour Billet: Maint Tech/WC Sup/QA/LPO. Duty: Squadron. Qualification: EAWS/LPO.
4-8	AM1 AM2 AM3	10.6 Yrs 5.2 2.6		42	1 st Shore Tour Billet: Maint Tech/WC Sup/Instructor/QA. Duty: NAS/AIMD/NAR. Qualification: EAWS/LPO.
1-4	AM2 AM3	5.2 Yrs 2.6		48	1 st Sea Tour Billet: Maint Tech/Plane Captain/ CDI/Maint Turn Qual. Duty: Squadron Qualification: EAWS.
1+/-	AMAN AMAA Accession Training	9 Months			Recruit Training (8 weeks)/'A' School (9 weeks)/'C' School for aircraft platform or AIMD billet.