Peak Technical Institute - UXO Global - UXO Training

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UXO Global is an industry leader providing students with the training necessary to attain an Unexploded Ordnance Technician I certification. Our training complies with the Department of Defense Explosives Safety Board's Technical Paper 18 requirements. This, along with our professionally developed program and top-tier professional instructors, equips students for a lifelong career as an Unexploded Ordnance Technician.

Peak Technical Institute is a comprehensive training institute headquartered in Maryville, Tennessee, with a campus in Loveland, Colorado. All UXO Global courses are conducted in Colorado and are approved and regulated by the Colorado Department of Higher Education, Division of Private Occupational Schools. In addition to having approval for Canadian UXO employment by the Directorate of Ammunition and Explosives Regulation (DAER), students can also earn continuing education credits through the Colorado State University's Online Plus "Continuing Education Units" (CEUs) program.

As demand for UXO professionals continues to grow across the globe, UXO global offers military veterans an ideal career path after their service. Our program provides a smooth transition into civilian life as it molds well with their military training and values. Having conducted 31 UXO Tech I classes in the US since 2009, UXO Global has become a landing-place for not only retired military personnel, but individuals from around the globe. Student with diverse backgrounds and experience from Canada, Guam, Puerto Rico and Switzerland have attended PTI's courses and begun exciting careers in the UXO industry. Upon completion of the course, UXO Global continues to aid its students in their job searches through cultivated relationships with numerous employers through an extensive network. UXO Global has certified more than 445 students as UXO Technician I's over the past 5 years.

Veterans are among the most successful students because of the skills attained in the armed forces that carry over into all aspects of the career field. From their discipline and prior knowledge in the field, UXO Technician is a challenging and rewarding career path for retired military members. UXO Global classroom experience is a great fit for veterans as all of our instructors served in the armed forces. Because of that, they are intimately familiar with the needs of military members' as they transition into the civilian world.

Mike Brantley is a retired Army Master Explosive Ordnance Disposal Technician and EOD Officer, who achieved the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. During his time in the military, he served as an instructor at the U.S. Army Ordnance Munitions Center and School, where he taught munitions management. Additionally, he was EOD Branch Chief, Directorate of Combat Developments, Redstone Arsenal. Brantley has experience as an UXO Ordnance Technician, UXO Safety Officer and Project Manager for UXO remediation projects throughout the U.S. He joined the UXO Global

team in 2012 as lead instructor, where he educates, counsels and mentors individuals through the program.

Colonel Brantley, served in the U.S. Army for nearly 30 years. He believes the skills individuals learn in the military - discipline, determination, sacrifice, organization and problem solving - transfer seamlessly into the UXO field, allowing for a smooth transition into civilian life. He also attributes the gift of understanding that all individuals hold a different comprehension of circumstances to guide him in his teaching efforts.

"Each person learns at his or her own pace and in their own manner," Brantley said. "In the military, we are taught to never give up. Teaching isn't a 9-to-5 situation. Some students need additional attention or learn in other ways. Do not give up on someone just because they do not understand a topic the first time it is presented."

He encourages veterans to never give up.

"For individuals retiring from the military, continue to be persistent," said Brantley. "What sets UXO Global apart is that it understands that veterans bring determination and a desire to complete tasks with them."