



BIOGRAPHY

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Major Nikela Kelley is the commander of the El Paso Military Entrance Processing Station.

She enlisted in the Army at the Dallas MEPS in 2003 and earned her commission through the Prairie View A&M University ROTC in 2009.

Major Kelley's enlisted service includes supply logistics specialist, Bravo Company, 372nd Support Battalion, Dallas, Texas; and then as a commissioned officer she served as chemical reconnaissance platoon leader, Headquarters, 2-3rd Special Troops Battalion, Third Infantry Division, and executive officer, Bravo Company, 2-3rd Special Troops Battalion, Third Infantry Division, Fort Stewart, Georgia; brigade strength manager, Headquarters, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, Third Infantry Division, Fort Stewart; battalion human resources officer, 40th Engineer Battalion, 2nd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Armored Division, Fort Bliss, Texas; assistant battalion human resources officer, Headquarters, 2nd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Armored Division, Fort Bliss; student, Army Civil Schooling, U.S. Army Student Detachment, Dallas Baptist University, Dallas; headquarters battalion human resources officer, Headquarters, 2nd Infantry Division, Camp Humphreys, Republic of Korea.



Her professional military education includes the Basic Officer Leadership Course and Captains Career Course. She also earned a Bachelor of Arts in Social Work from Prairie State A&M University, Prairie View Texas, and a Master of Arts in Christian Counseling from Dallas Baptist University.

Major Kelley's military awards and decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal, two Army Commendation Medals, the Army Achievement Medal, and various unit and service medals and ribbons.