



# AIRMAN SPOTLIGHT

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**Q:** How does your job support the 557th Weather Wing's mission?

By issuing timely and accurate forecasts and resource protection to Air Force and Army resources.

**Q:** What do you find most rewarding about your work?

I am still in training but feel rewarded by the fact that I have been given the opportunity to learn and work in such an interesting career field despite having entered the Air Force with an "open general" contract.

**Q:** What has been your biggest challenge in the military, and how did you overcome that challenge?

My biggest challenge has been the transition from an Italian academic setting to an English one. Avoiding being discouraged and focusing on improving day by day.

**Q:** What has been your most memorable experience in the military?

Flying from Europe to Lackland, AFB and immediately finding myself in the frenetic pace of "Week 0" at Basic Training.

**Q:** What is one piece of information or advice you would pass on to new Airmen joining the 557th Weather Wing's team?

As a new arrival to the 557th I do not feel I have the experience to offer insightful advice to a fellow airman beyond recommending staying positive each and every day.