



Command Sergeant Major (CSM) Siaoasi B. Motuapuaka is a native of Tonga, from the South Pacific. He entered the Army on November 19, 1996, as a 13B Cannon Crewmember, Field Artillery. He attended One Station Unit (OSUT) Basic and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Upon graduation, he was assigned to C Battery 3-18th Battalion, 17th Field Artillery Brigade, Fort Sill, Oklahoma. After completing his first enlistment, he re-enlisted as a Euphonium Player and attended the United States Armed Forces School of Music and received re-classification training to become a 42R (Bandsman).

CSM Motuapuaka has served in numerous leadership positions to include the following: Squad Leader, Platoon Sergeant, Detachment Leader, AIT Platoon Sergeant, First Sergeant, Band Sergeant Major, and Forward Deployed Battalion CSM. His assignments also include the 9th Army Band, Fort Wainwright, Alaska, 1st Armored Division Band, Wiesbaden, Germany, COB Speicher, Iraq, United States Army School of Music, Virginia Beach, Virginia. 3rd Infantry Division Band, Fort Stewart, Georgia, 3rd Infantry Division Headquarters & Headquarters Battalion, United States Forces-Afghanistan (USFOR-A), Joint Task Force-3 (JTF-3), Bagram, Afghanistan. United States Army Maneuver Center of Excellence Band, Fort Benning, Georgia. Eighth United States Army Band, 8th Army, Camp Humphreys, Korea.

CSM Motuapuaka's military and civilian education includes Basic Leaders Course (BLC), Advanced Leaders Course (ALC), Senior Leaders Course (SLC), First Sergeants Course, Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education (SEJPME), The NCO Leadership Center of Excellence & United States Army Sergeants Major Academy (NCOLCOE & USASMA), Basic Airborne Course, Air Assault Course, AIT Platoon Sergeant Course, Master Resilience Trainer Course (MRTC), Army Basic Instructor Training Course (ABIC), Battle Staff NCO Course, Company Commander's & First Sergeant's Course (CCFSC), TRADOC Initial Military Training (IMT) Brigade/Battalion Pre-Command Course (PCC), Combat Lifesavers Course, Unit Prevention Leader Course, Equal Opportunity Leaders Course and Armed Forces School of Music Basic Course. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Liberal Arts from Excelsior College and is currently pursuing his Master's degree in Business Administrations and Management through Excelsior College.

CSM Motuapuaka's military awards and decorations include the Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (5th award), Army Commendation Medal (2nd award), Army Achievement Medal (7th award), Army Good Conduct Medal (7th award), National Defense Service Medal, with bronze star, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, with 2 campaign star, Iraq Campaign Medal, with campaign star, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Medal, Korea Defense Service Medal, Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal, NCO Professional Development Ribbon (5th award), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (6th award), NATO Medal, with 2 operation star, Airborne, Air Assault, Gold German Armed Forces Proficiency Badge and Drivers Badges with Track and Wheel, Joint Meritorious Unit Award, Valorous Unit Award, Meritorious Unit Citation (3rd award).

CSM Motuapuaka is married and has three kids; he enjoys spending time with his family and loves sports to include rugby which he was part of the All-Army Rugby Team & Armed Forces Rugby Team 1997-2006.