



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL CARY N. CULBERTSON

Colonel Cary N. Culbertson is the Commander, Detachment 225, University of Notre Dame, South Bend, IN. In this capacity, he leads a team of Reserve Officer Training Corp professors and instructors to train, educate, and prepare 90 cadets to become commissioned officers in the Active Duty Air and Space Force. Prior to taking command of Detachment 225, Colonel Culbertson served as the Commander, 603 Air Operations Center, Ramstein AB, Germany.

Colonel Culbertson received his commission from the United States Air Force Academy in June 1994. He earned his pilot wings from Undergraduate Pilot Training, Vance Air Force Base, OK in July 1995 and has served as an F-16 pilot, instructor pilot, evaluator pilot, and Weapons School Instructor. Colonel Culbertson has Operational experience in Southeast Asia, Japan, Germany, and Korea. While assigned at Nellis Air Force Base he served as the Director of Operations and Commander of the 16th Weapons Squadron, U.S. Air Force Weapons School. Colonel Culbertson was then selected to be the Deputy Operations Group Commander at Kunsan AB, ROK, the Vice Wing Commander at Osan AB, ROK, the Commander, 603 Air Operations Center at Ramstein, AB, Germany, and then Division Chief, Operational Adaptive Plans, USAFE A5/8/9 at Ramstein AB, Germany.



Colonel Culbertson is a Command Pilot with over 2,900 total flying hours in the F-16, T-37, and T-38.

EDUCATION

- 1994 Bachelor of Science, Human Factors Engineering, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs CO
- 2001 USAF Weapons Instructor Course, F-16 Division, Nellis AFB NV
- 2002 Squadron Officers School, Maxwell AFB AL
- 2004 Air Command and Staff Course
- 2007 Master of Science, Special Ops and Low-Intensity Conflict, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey CA
- 2014 Master of Arts, Strategic Studies, Army War College, Carlisle Barracks PA

ASSIGNMENTS

1. Jun 90 - Jun 94, Student, United States Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs CO
2. Jul 94 - Aug 95, Student, Undergraduate Pilot Training, Vance AFB OK
3. Dec 95 - Aug 96, Student, F-16 Initial Qualification Training, Luke AFB AZ
4. Aug 96 - Jan 98, F-16 pilot 80 FS, Kunsan AB Republic of Korea
5. Jan 98 - Mar 01, F-16 pilot, Chief of Safety, 22 FS, Spangdahlem AB Germany
6. Mar 01 - Jul 01, F-16 pilot, Chief of Stan/Eval, 428 FS, Cannon AFB NM
7. Jul 01 - Dec 01, F-16 student U.S. Air Force Weapons School, Nellis AFB NV
8. Jan 01 - Jul 03, F-16 pilot, Chief of Weapons, 523 FS, Cannon AFB NM
9. Jul 03 - Jul 06, F-16 instructor, U.S. Air Force Weapons School, Nellis AFB NV
10. Jul 06 - Dec 08, Student, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey CA
11. Dec 08 - Mar 10, Staff officer 561 JTS and F-16 Weapons School Instructor, Nellis AFB NV
12. Mar 10 - Jun 11, Director of Operations 16 WPS, Nellis AFB NV
13. Jun 11 - Jun 13, Commander 16 WPS, Nellis AFB NV
14. Jul 13 - Jul 14, Student, Army War College, Carlisle Barracks PA
15. Aug 14 - Jul 15, Deputy Operations Group Commander, Kunsan AB, Republic of Korea
16. Jul 15 - Jul 16, Director, Operations and Plans, 5th Air Force, Yokota AB, Japan
17. Jul 16 - Jul 18, Vice Commander, 51st Fighter Wing, Osan AB, Republic of Korea
18. Jul 18 - Jul 20, Commander, 603d Air Operations Center, Ramstein Air Base, Germany
19. Jul 20 - Jul 21, Division Chief, Operational Adaptive Plans, USAFE A5/8/9, Ramstein Air Base, Germany
20. Jul 20 - Present, AFROTC Commander, Detachment 225, University of Notre Dame, South Bend, IN

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Command Pilot

Flight hours: More than 2,900

Aircraft flown: F-16, T-38, T-37

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Silver Star

Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters

Meritorious Service Medal with five oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Aerial Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters

DATES OF PROMOTIONS

Second Lieutenant

Jun 1994

First Lieutenant

Jun 1996

Captain

Jun 1998

Major

Aug 2005

Lieutenant Colonel

Aug 2009

Colonel

Aug 2015

(Current as of August 2018)