



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL STEVEN M. NIEWIAROWSKI

Colonel Steven M. "N-Ski" Niewiarowski is Vice Commandant of Air Command and Staff College (ACSC), the world's premier in-residence and distance learning professional military education college for midcareer officers and civilians which focuses on the education and development of air-minded joint leaders. Graduates go on to provide significant contributions in developing, employing, sustaining, and commanding air, space, and cyberspace power in joint and combined operations throughout the world.

Prior to assuming his current position, Colonel Niewiarowski was the Director of Staff and Academic Instructor for the ACSC Department of Airpower where he was responsible for the curriculum development for 23 civilian professors and active duty instructors, teaching U.S. and international officers the fundamentals, theory, history, and strategy of airpower. Colonel Niewiarowski was selected for this assignment at ACSC following his successful graduation from Air War College, the Air Force senior developmental professional military education for senior leaders across the Joint Force, Senior Civilian agencies, and international partners. This demanding year-long course concentrates on leadership & ethics, international security studies, national military strategy & decision making, and joint warfighting.



Colonel Niewiarowski received his commission through the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps in 2000. Following pilot training at Laughlin AFB TX, he served as C-17 Tactics Officer, Squadron Ops Controller, and Instructor Pilot at McChord AFB WA. During this time, he participated in Operations ENDURING FREEDOM and IRAQI FREEDOM. Colonel Niewiarowski subsequently volunteered for the growing Remotely Piloted Aircraft program and served with distinction in Air Force Special Operations Command as MQ-1B Predator Pilot and MQ-9 Reaper Initial Cadre, Instructor Pilot, and Evaluator Pilot at Nellis AFB NV, Cannon AFB NM, and Hurlburt Field FL. He also served as RPA Branch Chief, HQ AFSOC Standardization and Evaluations Division. Later, he served as the Director of Operations for the 49th Ops Support Squadron; MQ-9 Training Support Detachment Commander at Holloman AFB NM; and as Commander, Training Support Squadron, HQ Air Combat Command, Joint Base Langley-Eustis VA.

Colonel Niewiarowski is married to his wife Katrina of Payson, Arizona. They have two daughters, Anastasia and Alexandria.

EDUCATION:

2000 Bachelor of Sciences, Physics; St. Ignatius Institute Great Books Cert, Univ. of San Francisco, Calif.
2008 Squadron Officers School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
2011 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence
2011 Master of Arts, International Relations and Conflict Resolution, with Honors, concentration in Comparative and Security Issues, American Military University, Charles Town, W.Va.
2020 Master of Strategic Studies, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. October 2000 – December 2001, Student, Undergraduate Pilot Training, Laughlin AFB, Texas
2. December 2001 – March 2002, Student, C-17A Initial Qualification Training, Altus AFB, Okla.
3. April 2002 – January 2007, C-17A Tactics Officer/Squadron Ops Controller/Instructor Pilot, 8th Airlift Squadron, McChord AFB, Wash.
4. January 2007 – May 2007, Student, MQ-1B Initial Qualification Training, Creech AFB, Nev.
5. May 2007 – November 2008, MQ-1B Pilot/Flight Commander, 3rd Special Operations Squadron, Nellis AFB, Nev.
6. November 2008 – July 2009, MQ-1B Pilot/Flight Commander, 3rd Special Operations Squadron, Cannon AFB, N.M.
7. August 2009 – December 2010, MQ-9 Evaluator Pilot/Chief of Standardization and Evaluation/Director of Staff, 33rd Special Operations Squadron Cannon AFB, N.M.
8. December 2010 – July 2011, RPA Program Manager, 551st Special Operations Squadron, Cannon AFB, N.M.
9. July 2011 – September 2014, RPA Branch Chief of Standardization & Evaluations, HQ AFSOC, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
10. September 2014 – April 2015, Director of Operations, 49th Operations Support Squadron, Holloman AFB, N.M.
11. April 2015 – June 2017, Commander, ACC Training Support Squadron Det 2, Holloman AFB, N.M.
12. June 2017 – June 2019, Commander, ACC Training Support Squadron, JB Langley-Eustis, Va.
13. June 2019 – June 2020, Student, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
14. June 2020 – June 2021, Director of Staff and Academic Instructor, Department of Airpower, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
15. June 2021 – Present, Vice Commandant, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

FLIGHT INFORMATION:

Rating: Command Pilot

Flight Hours: Over 4,700

Aircraft flown: MQ-9, MQ-1B, C-17, T-1, and T-37

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Aerial Achievement Medal with 21 oak leaf clusters

Joint Service Commendation Medal

Air Force Commendation Medal with three oak leaf clusters

Air Force Achievement Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Second Lieutenant July 6, 2000

First Lieutenant July 6, 2002

Captain July 6, 2004

Major June 1, 2010

Lieutenant Colonel Oct. 1, 2015

Colonel Nov. 1, 2021

(Current as of September 2022)