



# BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE



## LIEUTENANT COLONEL AARON D. REID

Lieutenant Colonel Aaron D. Reid is the 21st Student Squadron Commander, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama. He is responsible for leading, educating, and developing 250 mid-grade total force multiservice and multinational officers and civilians annually. Lt Col Reid is the direct conduit to the Commandant on all student related matters, while also informing the institution's efforts and development of the academics, research, and technology. In addition to his command responsibilities, Lt Col Reid serves as a faculty member teaching International Security Studies.

Prior to assuming his current position, Lt Col Reid attended the University of Georgia on an Air Force PhD fellowship where he earned a doctorate degree in Political Science and International Affairs. Before enrolling at Georgia, Lt Col Reid spent two years at Maxwell AFB attending both Air Command and Staff College and the School of Advanced Air and Space Studies. Before arriving at Maxwell, Lt Col Reid served as an F-15E Instructor and Evaluator pilot at the USAF Weapons School, Nellis AFB Nevada. While flying the F-15E, he held positions as an Assistant Director of Operations, Flight Commander, and Chief of Fighter Standardization and Evaluations. He earned his pilot wings from Laughlin AFB, Texas in 2003 and was assigned his first operational flying tour in the F-15E at Seymour-Johnson AFB, North Carolina.



Lt Col Reid received his officer commission in 2002 from Air Force ROTC Detachment 790 in Nashville Tennessee. He is a senior pilot with 1700 hours in the T-37, T-38, and F-15E. He has flown combat missions in Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom, and has also flown multiple Operation Noble Eagle sorties.

### EDUCATION

2002 Bachelor of Science, Aerospace Maintenance, Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro TN.

2009 Squadron Officer School in residence, Maxwell AFB, AL.

2009 USAF Weapons School, Nellis AFB, NV.

2011 Master of Science, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Goldsboro NC Campus.

2015 Master of Art, Military Operational Art and Science, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, AL.

2016 Master of Philosophy, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, AL.

2019 Doctor of Philosophy, University of Georgia, Athens, GA.

### ASSIGNMENTS

1. May 2002 - November 2002, Administration Officer, Air Force ROTC Detachment 790, Nashville TN.
2. November 2002 - February 2004, Student Pilot, T-37 & T-38, Laughlin AFB, TX.
3. February 2004 - May 2004, Student Pilot, T-38C, Moody AFB, GA.
4. May 2004 - March 2005, Student Pilot, F-15E, 333d Fighter Squadron, Seymour-Johnson AFB, NC.
5. March 2005 – August 2008, F-15E Pilot / Instructor Pilot, 335<sup>th</sup> Fighter Squadron, Seymour-Johnson AFB, NC.
6. August 2008 - July 2009, F-15E Instructor Pilot, 333d Fighter Squadron, Seymour-Johnson AFB, NC.
7. July 2009 – December 2009, F-15E Weapons School Student, Nellis AFB, NV.

8. December 2009 - April 2011, F-15E Weapons Officer, 333d Fighter Squadron, Seymour-Johnson AFB, NC.
9. April 2011 - March 2012, F-15E Instructor Pilot / Phase Manager, USAF Weapons School, Nellis AFB, NV.
10. March 2012 – March 2013, Chief of Fighter Standardization and Evaluations, 57<sup>th</sup> Wing, Nellis AFB, NV.
11. March 2013 - May 2014, Assistant Director of Operations / Phase Manager, USAF Weapons School, Nellis AFB, NV
12. May 2014 - May 2015, Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, AL.
13. May 2015 – June 2016, Student, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, AL.
14. June 2016 – August 2019, Doctorate Student, University of Georgia, Athens, GA.
15. August 2019 – Present, Commander 21st Student Squadron, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, AL.

#### **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: Senior Pilot

Flight hours: 1700 hours

Aircraft flown: T-37, T-38A, T-38C, F-15E

#### **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Meritorious Service Medal with 1 Oak Leaf Cluster

Air Medal with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters

Air Force Commendation Medal

Meritorious Unit Award with 1 Oak Leaf Cluster

AF Outstanding Unit Award with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters

National Defense Service Medal

Afghanistan Campaign Medal

Global War On Terrorism Service Medal

Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon

#### **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant    May 29, 2002

First Lieutenant      May 29, 2004

Captain                 May 29, 2006

Major                    July 1, 2012

Lieutenant Colonel    May 1, 2017

(Current as of January 2020)