



# BIOGRAPHY



## UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

### COLONEL HEATHER L. MCGEE

Colonel Heather L. McGee is Vice Commandant of Air Command and Staff College, 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 her current position, Col McGee was the Commander and Chair and Professor of Aerospace Studies of the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps Detachment 159 at the University of Central Florida where she led, mentored, and educated over 250 cadets each year in leadership, ethics, military history, and national security in preparation for service as active duty Second Lieutenants. Her staff experience includes squadron, center, group, MAJCOM, Air Staff, Air Force Secretariat, and Component Numbered Air Force assignments. She also commanded the 34th Student Squadron at Air University's Squadron Officer School where she led and mentored over 1500 officers and taught courses in leadership, strategy, and ethics.



Colonel McGee graduated from New Jersey Institute of Technology in 1993. She was commissioned through a four-year ROTC scholarship program as a distinguished graduate. She holds a Doctorate in Business Administration from the University of Phoenix, and her academic interests include national security strategy, international politics, and United States socioeconomic issues and challenges.

#### EDUCATION:

1993 Bachelor of Science, Civil Engineering, New Jersey Institute of Technology, Newark, NJ  
1993 Minuteman ICBM Combat Crew Training, Vandenberg AFB, CA  
1997 Master of Business Administration, Embry Riddle Aeronautical University, Grand Forks AFB, ND  
1998 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, AL  
2007 Master of Military Arts and Sciences, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, AL  
2008 Master of Airpower Art and Science, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, AL  
2008 Air War College, Correspondence  
2013 Doctorate of Business Administration, University of Phoenix, Phoenix, AZ

#### ASSIGNMENTS:

1. Aug 1993 – Dec 1993; Student, Minuteman ICBM Combat Crew Training, Vandenberg AFB, CA
2. Dec 1993 – Apr 1996; ICBM Deputy Combat Crew Commander, ICBM Combat Crew Commander, and ICBM Assistant Flight Commander, 447<sup>th</sup> Missile Squadron, Grand Forks AFB, ND
3. Apr 1996 – Sep 1997; ICBM Instructor Crew Commander, 321<sup>st</sup> Operations Support Squadron, Grand Forks AFB, ND
4. Sep 1997 – Aug 1999; Chief, On-Orbit Operations and Deputy Program Manager, Current GPS Satellites, Space and Missile Systems Center, Los Angeles AFB, CA
5. Aug 1999 – Oct 2000; Commander's Action Officer, Space and Missile Systems Center, Los Angeles AFB, CA

6. Oct 2000 – Jun 2002; Satellite Operations Engineer and Chief, Mission Readiness, Detachment 12, Space and Missile Systems Center, Kirtland AFB, NM
7. Jun 2002 – Jun 2003; Director of Operations, Detachment 12, Space and Missile Systems Center, Kirtland AFB, NM
8. Jun 2003 – Jan 2004; Chief, Satellite Control Branch, Space Operations and Integration Directorate, Pentagon, Washington DC.
9. Jan 2004 – May 2005; Space and Missile Force Programmer and Chief, Integration Branch, Plans and Programs Directorate, Pentagon, Washington DC
10. May 2005 – Jul 2006; Executive Officer, Plans and Programs Directorate, Pentagon, Washington DC
11. Jul 2006 – Jun 2007; Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, AL
12. Jun 2007 – July 2008; Student, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, AL
13. Aug 2008 – Jul 2009; Chief of Policy, Plans, Programs, and Requirements Directorate, Thirteenth Air Force, Hickam AFB, HI
14. Jul 2009 – Jul 2010; Director, Commander's Action Group, Thirteenth Air Force, Hickam AFB, HI
15. Jul 2010 – Jun 2012; Commander, 34th Student Squadron, Squadron Officer College, Maxwell AFB, AL
16. Jul 2012 – Sep 2013; Chief, Program Integration Branch, Plans, Programs, and Analyses Directorate, HQ Air Force Space Command, Peterson AFB, CO
17. Sep 2013 – Sep 2014; Chief Strategist, NATO Air Training Command-Afghanistan, Kabul, Afghanistan
18. Sep 2014 – Jun 2016; Chief, Strategy and Policy Division, Cyberspace Strategy and Policy Directorate, Pentagon, Washington DC
19. Jun 2016 – Jun 2019; Commander, AFROTC Detachment 159 and Professor of Aerospace Studies, University of Central Florida, Orlando, FL
20. Jul 2019- present; Vice Commandant, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, AL

**MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:**

Legion of Merit Medal  
Bronze Star Medal  
Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters  
Joint Service Commendation Medal  
Air Force Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster  
Air Force Achievement Medal  
National Defense Service Medal with bronze star  
Afghanistan Campaign Medal  
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal  
Non-Article 5 NATO Medal

**EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:**

Second Lieutenant 16 Jan 1993  
First Lieutenant 1 Apr 1995  
Captain 1 Apr 1997  
Major 1 Jul 2003  
Lieutenant Colonel 1 Aug 2008  
Colonel 1 Nov 2014

(Current as of July 2019)