



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

MAJOR GENERAL ALEXUS G. GRYNKEWICH

Maj. Gen. Alexis G. Grynkewich is the Director of Operations, U.S. Central Command. In this role, he is responsible for developing contingency plans and assisting the commander with overseeing joint operations across a 20-nation area of responsibility covering Central and Southwest Asia.

Maj. Gen. Grynkewich received his commission in 1993 after graduating from the U.S. Air Force Academy. He has served as an instructor pilot, weapons officer and operational test pilot in the F-16 Fighting Falcon and F-22 Raptor. Maj. Gen. Grynkewich has commanded at the squadron, wing and Air Expeditionary Task Force levels, and his staff assignments include service at Air Combat Command, U.S. European Command, Headquarters Air Force, and the Joint Staff. Prior to his current assignment he served as the Deputy Commander for Operations for Combined Joint Task Force – Operation Inherent Resolve.



EDUCATION

1993 Bachelor of Science, Military History, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.

1994 Master of Arts in History, University of Georgia, Athens

1997 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

2003 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence

2006 Master of Arts, Homeland Security, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, Calif.

2006 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence

2010 Masters of Science in Joint Campaign Planning & Strategy, Joint Advanced Warfighting School, Norfolk, Va.

2012 Leadership Enhancement Program, Center for Creative Leadership, Greensboro, N.C.

2013 Executive Space Operations Course, Nellis AFB, Nev.

2014 Capitol Hill Workshop, Alan L. Freed Associates, Washington, D.C.

2014 Enterprise Leadership Program, Kenan-Flagler Business School, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

2017 Senior Joint Information Operations Applications Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2018 Combined Forces Air Component Commander's Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2019 Combined Forces Maritime Component Commander's Course, Naval Support Activity Bahrain

2019 Combined/Joint Forces Land Component Commander Course, Carlisle Barracks, Pa.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 1993–August 1994, Student, Air Force Institute of Technology Civilian Institutions Program, University of Georgia, Athens, Ga.

2. September 1994–September 1995, Student, Undergraduate Pilot Training, Vance Air Force Base, Okla.

3. October 1995–August 1996, Student, F-16C Replacement Training Unit, 63rd Fighter Squadron, Luke AFB, Ariz.

4. September 1996–July 1999, F-16 Pilot and Chief of Training, 18th Fighter Squadron, 354th Fighter Squadron, Eielson AFB, Alaska

5. August 1999–December 2001, F-16 Instructor Pilot, Standardization and Evaluation Flight Examiner,

- and Flight Commander, 421st Fighter Squadron, 388th Fighter Wing, Hill AFB, Utah
6. January 2002–January 2003, F-16C Instructor Pilot and Chief of Weapons, 80th Fighter Squadron, 8th Fighter Wing, Kunsan Air Base, South Korea
 7. February 2003–August 2005, F-16C Operation Test and Evaluation Instructor Pilot, F-22A Operational Test and Evaluation and Instructor Pilot, 422nd Test and Evaluation Squadron; Chief, F-22A Standardization and Evaluation, 53rd Test and Evaluation Group; Director of Operations, 59th Test and Evaluation Squadron, 53rd Wing, Nellis AFB, Nev.
 8. September 2005–December 2006, Intermediate Developmental Education Student, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, Calif.
 9. January 2007–December 2007, Chief, Interoperability Branch, 5th Generation Fighter Division; Executive Officer, Directorate of Requirements (A8), Headquarters Air Combat Command, Langley AFB, Va.
 10. January 2008–June 2009, Commander, 49th Operations Support Squadron, Holloman AFB, N.M.
 11. July 2009–June 2010, Senior Developmental Education Student, Joint Advanced Warfighting School, Norfolk, Va.
 12. July 2010–May 2012, Joint Operational Planner; Chief, Crisis Response Branch, Plans Division (J35); Chief, Plans Division (J35), Headquarters U.S. European Command, Stuttgart, Germany
 13. June 2012–May 2013, Vice Commander, 57th Wing, Nellis AFB, Nev.
 14. May 2013–June 2015, Commander, 53rd Wing, Eglin AFB, Fla.
 15. June 2015–June 2016, Chief, Strategic Planning Integration Division, Deputy Chief of Staff for Plans and Requirements, Headquarters Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
 16. June 2016–June 2017, Deputy Director for Operations, Operations Team Three, National Joint Operations and Intelligence Center, Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
 17. June 2017–April 2019, Deputy Director, Global Operations (J39), J-3, the Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
 18. April 2019–May 2020, Deputy Commander for Operations, Combined Joint Task Force – Operation Inherent Resolve, and Commander, 9th Air Expeditionary Task Force – Levant, Southwest Asia.
 19. June 2020–present, Director of Operations, U.S. Central Command, MacDill AFB, Fla.

JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

1. July 2010–May 2012 Joint Operational Planner; Chief, Crisis Response Branch, Plans Division (J35); Chief, Plans Division (J35), Headquarters U.S. European Command, Stuttgart, Germany, as a lieutenant colonel and colonel
2. June 2016–June 2017, Deputy Director for Operations, Operations Team Three, National Joint Operations and Intelligence Center, Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a brigadier general
3. June 2017–April 2019, Deputy Director for Global Operations (J-39), J-3, the Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a brigadier general
4. April 2019–May 2020, Deputy Commander for Operations, Combined Joint Task Force – Operation Inherent Resolve, and Commander, 9th Air Expeditionary Task Force – Levant, Southwest Asia, as a major general
5. June 2020–present, Director of Operations, U.S. Central Command, MacDill AFB, Fla., as a major general

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: command Pilot

Flight hours: more than 2,300

Primary aircraft flown: F-16C, F-22A

Other aircraft flown: B-1B, B-2A, B-52H, C-17A, E-9A, F-15D, F-15E, HH-60G, MC-12W, MQ-1B, MQ-9A, QF-4E, T-38A, TU-2S

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Superior Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster

Meritorious Service Medal with five oak leaf clusters

Air Medal

Aerial Achievement Medal with four oak leaf clusters

Joint Service Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air Force Commendation Medal

Joint Service Achievement Medal

Meritorious Unit Award

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with Valor device and oak leaf cluster

Combat Readiness Medal with oak leaf cluster

National Defense Service Medal with bronze star

Armed Force Expeditionary Service Medal
Inherent Resolve Campaign Medal
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
Korean Defense Service Medal
Nuclear Deterrence Operations Service Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant June 2, 1993

First Lieutenant June 2, 1995

Captain June 2, 1997

Major Aug. 1, 2003

Lieutenant Colonel Sept. 1, 2007

Colonel Sept.1, 2011

Brigadier General May 24, 2017

Major General Dec. 1, 2019

(Current as of June 2020)