

BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

LIEUTENANT COLONEL BRET J. COVE

Lieutenant Colonel Bret J. Cove is the commander of the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps, Detachment 940, University of Wyoming, Laramie, Wyoming. As the commander, he is responsible for a comprehensive college program focused on recruiting, training and preparing more than 30 officer candidates. Additionally, Lieutenant Colonel Cove is a Professor of Aerospace Studies, where he instructs Aerospace 401/403, National Security, Leadership Responsibilities and Commissioning Preparation.

Lieutenant Colonel Cove received his commission in 2007 through the Air Force Officer Training Corps upon graduation from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (Daytona Beach) with a degree in Business Administration. He obtained a master's degree from Embry-Riddle (worldwide campus) in 2015.



Lieutenant Colonel Cove is a senior pilot with more than 1,500 flight hours. He has served at squadron, group, wing and NAF level leadership positions and has deployed five times in support of the Global War on Terror.

EDUCATION

2007 Bachelor of Science degree in Aviation Business Administration, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University 2007 Air and Space Basic Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala

2013 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2015 Master's degree in Business Administration, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

2017 Air Command and Staff College, Correspondence.

2024 Air War College, Correspondence.

ASSIGNMENTS

- 1. May 2008 Jun 2010, student, undergraduate pilot training, Vance AFB, OK, Fort Rucker, AL, Kirtland AFB, NM
- 2. Jun 2010 Sept 2013, HH-60G Pilot, Standardization and Evaluation, 66th Rescue Sq, Nellis AFB, NV
- 3. Sep 2013 Jun 2015, HH-60G Pilot, Flight Commander, 55th Rescue Sq, Davis-Monthan AFB, AZ
- 4. Jun 2015 Jun 2016, HH-60G Pilot, Ops Flight Commander, 563d Ops Support Sq, Davis-Monthan AFB, NV
- 5. Jun 2016 Jun 2017, HH-60G Pilot, Assistant Director of Operations, 55th Rescue Sq, Davis-Monthan AFB, AZ
- 6. Jun 2017 Jun 2020, Assistant Director of Operations, Air Force Rescue Coordination Center, Tyndall AFB, FL
- 7. Jun 2020 Apr 2021, Instructor/Flight Commander, Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, AL
- 8. Apr 2021 Jun 2022, Operations Director, Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, AL
- 9. Jun 2022 Jun 2024, Air University Liaison, United States Air Force Academy, CO.
- 10. Jun 2024 Present, Commander, AFROTC Detachment 940, Laramie, WY

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Senior pilot Flight hours: More than 1,500 Aircraft flown: C-172, DA-20, T-6, UH-1H, HH-60G

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters Air Medal with three oak leaf clusters Joint Service Commendation Medal Air Force Commendation Medal Air Force Achievement Medal with one oak leaf clusters Afghanistan Campaign Medal Inherent Resolve Campaign Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant	May 30, 2007
First Lieutenant	May 30, 2009
Captain	May 30, 2011
Major	Apr 1, 2017
Lieutenant Colonel	Apr 1, 2022

(Current as of Jan 2024)