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## UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

### MAJOR LEAH F. BRADING

Maj. Leah F. Brading is the Director of Operations and Assistant Professor of Aerospace Studies (APAS) at Detachment 159, Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFROTC) at the University of Central Florida (UCF), Orlando, Florida. She leads all cadre and cadet activities required to develop and support more than 250 prospective Air Force officers attending the university.

Major Brading graduated from the University of Florida in 2011 with a degree in anthropology. She has served in numerous Public Affairs positions including her latest assignment at the Pentagon, where she was the Public Affairs advisor to the Vice Chief of Staff of the Air Force and Executive Officer for the Director of Public Affairs.



### EDUCATION

2011 Bachelor of Liberal Arts, Anthropology, University of Florida, Gainesville, Fla.

2016 Masters in International Relations and Conflict Resolution, American Military University

2017 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

### ASSIGNMENTS

1. September 2011 – July 2013, Chief, Media Relations, Joint Base Charleston, S.C.
2. July 2013 - July 2016, Deputy Chief, Public Affairs, RAF Lakenheath, United Kingdom (April 2015 - Oct 2015, Public Affairs Officer, Office of Defense Cooperation, Ankara, Turkey)
3. July 2016 - April 2019, Chief, Public Affairs, 628th Air Base Wing, Joint Base Charleston, S.C.
4. April 2019 – June 2022, Executive Officer, Secretary of the Air Force Public Affairs, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
5. June 2022 – Present, Assistant Professor of Aerospace Studies, AFROTC Detachment 159, University of Central Florida, Orlando, Fla.

### MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Air Force Meritorious Service Medal one oak leaf clusters  
Joint Service Commendation Medal  
Air Force Commendation Medal one oak leaf clusters  
Navy Marine Corps Achievement Medal

### EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant May 7, 2011

First Lieutenant July 15, 2013  
Captain July 15, 2015  
Major May 1, 2021

(Current as of July 2023)