



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

CAPTAIN NATALIA K. COBBINS

Capt Natalia K. Cobbins serves as Assistant Professor of Aerospace Studies and Recruiting Officer, Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFROTC), Detachment 159, University of Central Florida. Capt Cobbins leads a team of five to execute all National and Regional Recruiting Strategy efforts for the Detachment. She manages the recruiting budget, administration, instruction, and evaluation activities to develop and support over 150 new accessions per academic year and 250 Air Force cadets attending the university.

Capt Cobbins enlisted in the United States Air Force in October 1998. After Basic Military Training, she attended technical training for Information Management, at Kessler AFB, Mississippi, graduating with honors and attaining the #1 student leader ranking. In 2010, Capt Cobbins cross-trained into her second enlisted career field, Geospatial Intelligence, successively graduating with top academic honors and serving in various positions supporting GWOT and the Pacific Area of Operations. In 2015, Capt Cobbins received her commission through the AF Officer Training School pipeline. She served as a Nuclear and Missile Operations Officer until 2018, when she was selected to crossflow back into Intelligence. She is an AF Intelligence Officer who has worked with NASA, Project West Wing, and numerous three-letter agencies to defend the nation and support our Air, Space, and Cyberspace domains. Capt Cobbins has deployed to and supported many enduring operations in Iraq, Afghanistan, Cuba, Qatar, Kuwait, and the Republic of Korea.



EDUCATION

1998 Basic Military Training, Lackland AFB, Texas
2003 Airman Leadership School, Tyndall AFB, Florida, John L. Levitow Award
2004 Associate Degree, Information Management, Community College of the Air Force, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Alabama
2006 Bachelors Degree, Management, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois
2010 Geospatial Intelligence Targeting Course, Goodfellow AFB, Texas, Distinguished Graduate
2011 Non-Commissioned Officer Academy, Sheppard AFB, Texas, Distinguished Graduate
2011 Associate Degree, Intelligence Analysis, Community College of the Air Force, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Alabama
2012 Masters Degree, Clinical Mental Health - Counseling and Psychology, Troy University, Troy, Alabama
2013 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education (correspondence)
2015 Officer Training School, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Alabama, Distinguished Graduate
2015 Nuclear and Missiles Operator Course, Vandenberg AFB, California, Academic Award
2018 Intelligence Officers Course, Goodfellow AFB, Texas
2021 Squadron Officer School (correspondence), Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Alabama
2023 Masters Degree, Theological Studies, Liberty University, Lynchburg, Virginia

ASSIGNMENTS

1. October 1998 – January 1999, Basic Military Training, Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland AFB, Texas
2. January 1999 – April 1999, Information Manager Technical Training, Kessler AFB, Mississippi
3. April 1999 – January 2010, Information Manager and Client Systems Administrator, Tyndall AFB, Florida
4. January 2010 – July 2010, Geospatial Intelligence Technical Training, Goodfellow AFB, Texas

5. July 2010 – February 2013, Intelligence Analyst, Barksdale AFB, Louisiana
6. February 2013 – February 2015, Flight Chief, Targets and Tactical Assessments, Osan AB, Republic of Korea
7. February 2015 – June 2015, Officer Training School, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Alabama
8. June 2015 – December 2015, Nuclear and Missiles Operator Course, Vandenberg AFB, California
9. December 2015 – January 2018, Missile Crew Commander and Standards and Evaluation, FE Warren AFB, Wyoming
10. January 2018 – June 2018, Intelligence Officer Course, Goodfellow AFB, Texas
11. June 2018 – August 2020, Chief, Space Systems Branch, Space and Missile Systems Center (SMC), Los Angeles AFB, California
12. August 2020 – June 2021, Flight Commander, Basic Military Training, Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland AFB, Texas
13. June 2021 – June 2022, Executive Officer, 37th Training Wing, Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland AFB, Texas
14. June 2022 – June 2024, Deputy Chief, Unit Support Branch, Air Education and Training Command, Joint Base San Antonio-Randolph AFB, Texas
15. June 2024 – Present, Assistant Professor of Aerospace Studies and Recruiting Officer, AFROTC Detachment 159, University of Central Florida

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster
Joint Service Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Air and Space Commendation Medal with five oak leaf clusters
Air and Space Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Joint Meritorious Unit Award
Air and Space Outstanding Unit Award with six oak leaf clusters
Air and Space Organizational Excellence with one oak leaf cluster
National Defense Service Medal
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
Korean Defense Service Medal
Humanitarian Service Medal with one service star
Nuclear Deterrence Operations Service Medal with one 'N' device

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

(Current as of June 2024)