

# BIOGRAPHY



### UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

## **MAJOR JOANNE M. WHITLOCK**

Maj Joanne M. Whitlock is the Operations Officer and an Assistant Professor of Aerospace Studies at the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFROTC), Detachment 002, California State University, San Bernardino. In this capacity, she is directly responsible for the recruiting, training, education and development of officer candidates to be Department of the Air Force (DAF) commissioned officers. Through a comprehensive college program, she instructs curriculums on U.S. Air Force & U.S. Space Force foundations, DAF History, Leadership & National Security Affairs.

Maj Whitlock was born and raised in Manila, Philippines and commissioned through Officer Training School in 2013 after serving as a Forensic Investigator in the civilian sector. As a Logistics Readiness Officer, she served in a variety of positions at base and staff levels to include Officer in Charge, Flight Commander, Operations Officer and two-time Executive Officer. In addition, Maj Whitlock deployed to Niger, Africa where she served as the first ever Logistics Readiness Flight Commander at the 724 Expeditionary Air Base Squadron, then the Department of Defense's newest ISR air base and still the largest troop labor project in Air Force history. She also served as the Chief of Mission



Support for the AFCENT Air Warfare Center, Al Dhafra Air Base, United Arab Emirates. Maj Whitlock is an active Language Enabled Airmen Program (LEAP) scholar for Tagalog, completing strategic competition language courses and advanced military engagement practicums.

Prior to her current assignment, Maj Whitlock was the Operations Officer for the 628th Logistics Readiness Squadron in Joint Base Charleston, S.C., where she was responsible for the day-to-day operations of the most diverse squadron on base and assisted the Commander in managing the dynamic and varied mission requirements in support of Air Mobility Command's busiest installation and home of 41 C-17s.

#### EDUCATION

2010 Bachelor of Arts, Anthropology, University of West Florida, Pensacola, Fla.

2013 Logistics Readiness Officer Course, Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, Texas

2018 Master of Forensic Sciences, National University, San Diego, Calif.

2018 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

2022 Detachment Cadre Instructor Course, Air University, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2024 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence

#### ASSIGNMENTS

1. February 2013 – January 2014, OIC, Vehicle Ops & Cargo Movement, 21st Logistics Readiness Squadron, Peterson Air Force Base, Colo.

2. January 2014 - May 2014, OIC, Air Terminal & Pax Movement, 21st Logistics Readiness Squadron, Peterson AFB, Colo.

3. May 2014 - April 2015, Executive Officer, 21st Mission Support Group, Peterson AFB, Colo.

4. April 2015 – November 2015, Assistant Installation Deployment Officer, 21st Logistics Readiness Squadron, Peterson AFB, Colo.

5. November 2015 – January 2017, Flight Commander, Materiel Management, 21st Logistics Readiness Squadron, Peterson AFB, Colo. (*Deployed May – November 2016, Commander, Logistics Readiness Flight, 724 Expeditionary Air Base Squadron, Agadez, Niger*)

6. January 2017 - August 2018, Strategy & Initiatives Officer, NGB/A4, National Guard Bureau, Joint Base Andrews, Md.

7. August 2018 - June 2019, Executive Officer, NGB/A4, National Guard Bureau, JB Andrews, Md.

8. June 2019 – July 2020, Chief of Mission Support, AFCENT Air Warfare Center, Al Dhafra Air Base, United Arab Emirates

9. July 2020 – May 2021, Flight Commander, Vehicle Management, 628th Logistics Readiness Squadron, JB Charleston, S.C.

10. May 2021 – July 2022, Operations Officer, 628th Logistics Readiness Squadron, JB Charleston, S.C.

11. July 2022 – September 2022, Deputy Director, Agile Combat Employment Cell, JB Charleston, S.C.

12. September 2022 - Present, Instructor/Operations Officer, AFROTC Det 002, California State University, San Bernardino, Calif.

#### MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Meritorious Service Medal w/ oak leaf cluster Air and Space Commendation Medal w/ oak leaf cluster Air and Space Achievement Medal Joint Meritorious Unit Award Meritorious Unit Award Air and Space Outstanding Unit Award w/ two oak leaf clusters Air and Space Organizational Excellence Award w/ oak leaf cluster Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal Global War on Terrorism Service Medal Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal Air and Space Overseas Ribbon Short Air and Space Expeditionary Service Ribbon

#### **OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS**

2016 21st Logistics Readiness Squadron Company Grade Officer of the Year2018 Air National Guard Readiness Center Staff Officer of the Year2021 628th Air Base Wing Company Grade Officer of the Year

#### **EFFECTIVE DATE OF PROMOTION**

Major 1 August 2023

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