



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL NAOMI Y. HENIGIN

Colonel Naomi Y. Henigin currently serves as the Senior Military Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, the Pentagon, Washington D.C. In this capacity she supports the supervision of manpower, military and civilian personnel, Reserve component affairs and readiness support for the 685,000 Total Force members of the Department of the Air Force. Prior to this assignment, she served as the Deputy Chief, Military Force Policy and the Chief, Promotions, Evaluations and Recognition Policy on the Headquarters U.S. Air Force Staff.

Colonel Henigin is a 2003 graduate of the United States Air Force Academy. She has served in a variety of positions at the Squadron Level, Mission Support Group, Direct Reporting Unit, Headquarters, Joint, and in direct support of combat operations. She is married and has two children.



EDUCATION

2003 Bachelor of Science in Political Science/Foreign Area Studies, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, CO
2004 Master of Arts in National Security Affairs, African Studies, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA
2005 Aerospace Basic Officer Course, *Outstanding Performer* and *Top Flight*, Maxwell Air Force Base (AFB), Ala.
2008 Squadron Officer School, *Top 1/3 Graduate*, Maxwell Air Force Base (AFB), Ala.
2012 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence
2015 Master of Science in Military Operational Arts and Sciences, *Distinguished Graduate*, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
2021 Master of Science in National Security Strategy, National War College, Fort McNair, Washington, D.C.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. Aug 2003 – Sep 2004, Student, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, California
2. Oct 2004 – Oct 2005, Squadron Section Commander, 317th Maintenance Squadron, Dyess AFB, Texas
3. Oct 2005 - Jul 2006, Squadron Section Commander, 333rd Training Squadron, Keesler AFB, Mississippi
4. Jul 2006 - Jul 2007, Military Training Flight Commander, 336th Training Squadron, Keesler AFB, Mississippi
5. Jul 2007 - Feb 2008, Communications & Information Flight Commander, 336th Training Squadron, Keesler AFB, Mississippi
6. Feb 2008 - Sep 2008, Military Personnel Flight Commander, 81st Mission Support Squadron, Keesler AFB, Mississippi
7. Sep 2008 - Feb 2009, Executive Officer, 609th Air & Space Operations Center, Al Udeid AB, Qatar
8. Feb 2009 - Jun 2009, Chief of Protocol, 81st Training Wing, Keesler AFB, Mississippi
9. Jun 2009 – Jun 2010, Executive Officer, 81st Training Wing, Keesler AFB, Mississippi
10. Jun 2010 – Jun 2013, Assistant Professor of Political Science, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado
11. Jun 2013 – Jul 2014, Deputy Director, Commander's Action Group, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado
12. Jul 2014 – Jun 2015, Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Alabama
13. Jun 2015 – Apr 2016, Operations Officer, 60th Force Support Squadron, Travis AFB, California
14. Apr 2016 – Jun 2018, Commander, 60th Force Support Squadron, Travis AFB, California
15. Jul 2019 – Jul 2020, Assistant Director, Officer Commissioning Programs, Office of the Secretary of Defense, The Pentagon, Virginia
16. Jul 2020 -- Jun 2021, Student, National War College, Fort McNair, Washington, District of Columbia
17. Jun 2021 -- Jun 2022, Deputy Commander, 380th Expeditionary Mission Support Group, Al Dhafra Air Base, United Arab Emirates
18. Jun 2022 – Jun 2023, Deputy Director, Military Force Policy, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, The Pentagon, Virginia
19. Jul 2023 – Present, Senior Military Assistant, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, The Pentagon, Virginia

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Meritorious Service Medal
Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters
Air and Space Commendation Medal with three oak leaf clusters

Air and Space Achievement Medal
Joint Meritorious Unit Award
Meritorious Unit Award
Air and Space Outstanding Unit Award with Five Oak Leaf Clusters
Air and Space Organizational Excellence Award

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant May, 28 2003
First Lieutenant May, 28 2005
Captain May, 28 2007
Major June, 1 2013
Lieutenant Colonel October 1, 2017
Colonel June 1, 2023

(Current as of Nov 2023)