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Professor of Aerospace Studies and Commander, AFROTC Det 158 University of South Florida July 2014 – Present (2 months) Tampa/St. Petersburg, Florida Area Professor of Aerospace Studies and Commander of Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFROTC) Detachment 158 at the University of South Florida in Tampa, FL. Leads a geographically separated unit while chairing the Department of Aerospace Studies with university status of full professor, directing a college-level officer training program. Responsible for overseeing all military education and professional development for unit cadre and 110 cadets. Recruits, trains, motivates and counsels highly-qualified young men and women as prospective Air Force Officers.

GMSC Director USSOCOM 2012 – 2014 (2 years) Tampa/St. Petersburg, Florida Area I directed a \$6M capability providing responsive conduit for reliable & flexible special operations forces (SOF) support for emerging global needs. The Global Mission Support Center I directed conducted Combatant Command-level Title 10 and operations functions, and executed worldwide situational awareness for 4-star joint HQ. I directly oversaw coordination and communications across General Officer and Flag Officers-led directorates to deconflict and resolve operational and support issues for 68,000 SOF worldwide. Also, I managed a global strategic battle rhythm to synchronize information flow and facilitate strategic SOF decision-making.

Wing Commander 58th Special Operations Wing July 2010 – July 2012 (2 years 1 month) Kirtland AFB In this position, I was directly responsible for providing vision and strategic vector to train and educate the next generation of Special Operations and Combat Rescue warriors. I commanded Air Education and Training Command's most complex, diverse flying wing, including 3 geographically separated units, 70 aircraft of 10 different types, and 21 aircrew training devices worth \$2.3 billion. I oversaw over 2,000 personnel and oversaw a \$73.5 million budget, 50+ facilities, and a 23,000 flying hour program. Our mission centered around the formal training of 1,800 students annually in 32 aircrew positions, with 113 specialized courses of instruction.

Vice Wing Commander 27th Special Operations Wing March 2010 – July 2010 (5 months) Cannon AFB, NM Was second-in-command of an incredibly diverse 4,400 member special operations wing. We were directly responsible to the 3-star AFSOC Commander for immediate deployment of any/all wing assets, and directed the operations, maintenance, and employment of a wide variety of special mission aircraft.

Group Commander 27th Special Operations Group July 2008 – March 2010 (1 year 9 months) Cannon AFB I commanded over 950 highly-trained SOF personnel in 8 squadrons, operating a wide variety of special mission aircraft. Was responsible for the operational readiness for short-notice and ongoing worldwide combat operations supporting national-level taskings. I oversaw the rapid growth of the Group after it went from Air Combat Command to Air Force Special Operations Command, with 100% growth in personnel, squadrons, and mission sets. In my role, I was in charge of over 2,500 square miles of airspace surrounding Cannon AFB and the Melrose AF Range.

Squadron Commander 71st Special Operations Squadron May 2005 – May 2007 (2 years 1 month) Kirtland AFB, NM Commander and initial cadre pilot in USAF's first CV-22 flying squadron.

Director of Operations 551st Special Operations Squadron Dec 2003 – Dec 2004 (1 year 1 month) Kirtland AFB, NM

Aide-de-Camp to Commander, USSOCOM U.S. Special Operations Command Dec 2001 – Dec 2003 (2 years 1 month) MacDill AFB, FL

Professional Military Education Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation Dec 2000 – Dec 2001 (1 year 1 month) Ft Benning, GA Focused on international security cooperation between U.S. and South/Central America, as well as U.S Army doctrine and staff officer processes. Class majority consisted of officers from South/Central America countries, and was conducted completely in Spanish.