BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

CAPTAIN
MATTHEW W. CARPENTER

Captain Matthew W. Carpenter is the Recruiting Officer at Air Force Reserve Officer's Training Corps Detachment 538, Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, New York. He is responsible for the construction, management, and execution of all unit recruiting efforts. Additionally, as an Assistant Professor of Aerospace Studies, he instructs the AS200 course educating cadets on leadership, followership, and team building.

Prior to his current position, Captain Carpenter was a founding team member of Teeseract, the Air Force's Office of Logistics Innovation, at Headquarters Air Force Directorate of Logistics at the Pentagon in Washington D.C.. As the Chief of Acquisition Strategy, he coordinated contractual pathways, partnerships, and agreements to procure, sustain, and scale innovation on behalf of enterprise Airmen. In this capacity, he directly supported projects that emerged from the Air Force's Spark Tank competition, the "Vice Chief Challenge", the Logistics Enterprise's Aether Sprint, and innovators through the Air Force.

Captain Carpenter received his commission in March 2018 through the Officer Training School at Maxwell AFB, AL. He is a core Acquisitions Program Manager with more than 11 years as a prior-enlisted logistics Airman. His experience includes base, group, joint, and Headquarters Air Force assignments. He has over 18 years of active-duty military service and has deployed in support of the Global War on Terrorism with positions in Kyrgyzstan and Central Command Headquarters.

EDUCATION

2006 Basic Military Training, Lackland AFB, TX
2006 Air Transportation Apprentice Course, Lackland AFB, TX
2010 Airman Leadership School, JB Elmendorf-Richardson, AK
2014 Air Force Expeditionary Center Academic Instructor Course, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, NJ
2014 Noncommissioned Officer Academy (In-Correspondence), Maxwell AFB, AL
2014 Bachelor of Arts degree in History, American Military University, VA
2015 Associate of Science, Transportation, Air University, Maxwell AFB, AL
2015 Associate of Science Instructor of Technology and Military Science, Air University, Maxwell AFB, AL
2016 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education Course I, Suffolk, VA
2017 Master Instructor Certification, Air University, Maxwell AFB, AL
2017 Masters of Arts in Management (Organizational Leadership), American Public University, VA
2018 Officer Training School, Maxwell AFB, AL
2018 Air Force Fundamentals of Acquisition Management, DAU Level I Wright-Patterson AFB, OH
2021 Defense Acquisition University, Acquisitions Level II, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH

ASSIGNMENTS

1. September 2006-November 2006, Basic Military Trainee, Lackland AFB, TX
2. November 2006-December 2006, Air Transportation Apprentice Course, Lackland AFB, TX
3. January 2007-May 2009, Passenger Service Agent, 732nd Air Mobility Squadron, JB Elmendorf-Richardson

4. May 2009-March 2010, Special Handling Technician, 732d Air Mobility Squadron, JBER, AK
5. April 2010-October 2010, Passenger Services Supervisor, 376h Air Expeditionary Wing, Manas Air Base, Kyrgyzstan
6. December 2010-January 2012, Air Terminal Operations Supervisor, 732d Air Mobility Squadron, JBER, AK
7. January 2012-January 2013, Standardization and Evaluation, 732d Air Mobility Squadron, JBER, AK
8. January 2013-January 2014, Senior Controller, 732d Air Mobility Squadron JBER, AK
9. January 2014-December 2015, NCOIC Career Field Qualification Training, Expeditionary Operations School, JB MDL, NJ
10. January 2014-October 2015, Instructor of Aerial Port Operations, Expeditionary Operations School, JB MDL, NJ
11. October 2015-April 2016, NCOIC Mobility Support Branch, Headquarters Central Command, Tampa, FL
12. April 2016-October 2016, Executive Assistant to the Commander, Expeditionary Operations School, JB MDL, NJ
13. October 2016-December 2017, Course Director Aerial Port Operations, Expeditionary Operations School, JB MDL, NJ
14. January 2018-March 2018, United States Air Force Officer Training School, Maxwell AFB, AL
15. March 2018-December 2018, C4I Program Manager, Air Force Research Laboratory, Rome, NY
16. January 2019-June 2019, Deputy Program Manager, CHEMISTRI, Air Force Research Laboratory, Rome NY
17. June 2019-Aug 2020, Deputy Program Manager, DOGTAG, Air Force Research Laboratory, Rome, NY
18. Aug 2020-June 2021, Portfolio Integration Lead, SMDO, Air Force Research Laboratory, Rome, NY
19. July 2021-July 2023, Chief of Acquisitions Strategy, Tesseract, Headquarters Air Force Directorate of Logistics, Pentagon, Washington D.C.
20. July 2023-Current, Recruiting Officer & Assistant Instructor of Aerospace Studies, Air Force ROTC, Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, New York

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

12 Outstanding Airman of the Year (nominee)
Meritorious Service Medal
Air Force Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster
Joint Service Achievement Medal
Air Force Achievement Medal with three oak leaf clusters
Joint Meritorious Unit Award
Meritorious Unit Award with one oak leaf cluster
Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with three oak leaf clusters
Air Force Organizational Excellence Award with two oak leaf clusters
Air Force Special Duty Ribbon
Air and Space Recognition Ribbon

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Airman First Class September 5, 2006
Senior Airman February. 20, 2009
Staff Sergeant April 1, 2011
Technical Sergeant April 1, 2016
2nd Lieutenant March 9, 2018
1st Lieutenant March 9, 2020
Captain March 9, 2022
(Current as of Sep 24)