## 2nd Lt Matthew Park

Army 2LT Matthew Park was born into an Army family in Denver, Colorado. He was raised in the Maryland suburbs of the Washington, D.C. metro area. He grew up as an Army brat who loved to be with his father, an Army officer who worked on the top floor of Walter Reed Army Medical Center. They later moved to Virginia, where 2LT Park went to high school. He attended the University of Virginia in Charlottesville for his undergraduate education. In 2005, he graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Biology, married his high school sweetheart and returned to the same Maryland suburbs that he grew up in to attend medical school at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences. He is a member of the Class of 2009. 2LT Park believes he probably knew more about USU than his college premed advisor did and did not hesitate when his letter of acceptance came in the mail. He chose USU over some of the more prestigious and long standing medical institutions after seeing how the program has developed over its young history to now provide some of the Army's finest physicians. 2LT Park is now proud to follow in his father's footsteps as an Army officer. He currently lives in Silver Spring, Maryland, with his wife, Christina, and their Shiba Inu, Naomi.