

United States Army
Brigade Commander
Flint M. Patterson

Colonel
4th Cavalry Brigade
First Army Division East



Colonel Flint M. Patterson is a 2013 graduate of the National War College, National Defense University. He began his military career in 1991 when he enlisted in the United States Army as an airborne administrative assistant, One Station Unit Training (OSUT), Fort Jackson, SC and attended Airborne training school, Fort Benning, GA. Upon graduation from Fort Benning, GA, he served in the United States Special Operations Command (USASOC) until 1993. He attended Officer Candidate School (OCS) and commissioned as Armor Second Lieutenant 1993. He earned his Masters of Military Operational Art and Science in June 2005 from the Air Command and Staff College, Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base, Montgomery, Alabama. He earned his Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration June 1987 from Oral Roberts University Business Program in Tulsa Oklahoma.

He served in a variety of operational assignments ranging from armor platoon leader, Logistics Officer (S4) and Battalion Motor Officer (BMO), Armor Company Commander, Headquarter and Headquarters Company Commander, and Battalion and Brigade Executive Officer (XO). He deployed to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF) from October 2006 to January 2008 with 4/9 Cavalry Squadron. He deployed in January 2009 to June 2009 with 2nd Brigade Combat Team (BCT), 1st Cavalry Division as BCT XO. He took command in theater from June 2009 to January 2011, Battalion Commander 2-5 Cavalry Battalion, 1st BCT, in support of OIF. He deployed with 1st Cavalry Division from April 2011 to April 2012 as the Chief of Operations (CHOPS) G3 in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Upon completion from the War College, he served on the Joint Staff, Strategy and Policy-J5, from June 2013 to March 2016 as the Division Chief of the Pakistan Afghanistan Division.

Colonel Patterson is a recipient of the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Bronze Star Medal (4th Oak Leaf Cluster), Combat Action Badge and various other Department of Defense and Department of Army awards and ribbons. He earned the Army Parachutist Badge, Australian Parachutist Badge, and the Marine Corps Parachutist Badge.