

BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

LIEUTENANT COLONEL CRAIG A. LOWERY

Lt. Col. Craig A. Lowery is a Joint and Combined Warfighting School Instructor at the Joint Forces Staff College. In this capacity, he provides joint professional-military-education level II instruction to 76 U.S., allied and international officers at the O-4 and O-5 levels annually.

Prior to his current assignment, Colonel Lowery served as the Commander, Detachment 1, 36th Mission Support Group, Diego Garcia, where he led 29 Airmen at a remote bomber forward operating location. There, he was responsible for the overall management, maintenance, and sustainment of 264 real property facilities; 833 war-reserve-material vehicles and aircraft ground-equipment assets; a \$131 million munitions stockpile; and a \$41 million petroleum, oil and lubricants (POL) hydrant system all in support of CENTCOM, PACOM, STRATCOM and AFRICOM operations. Additionally, Colonel Lowery provided both secure and non-secure network communications support to all Diego Garcia Air Force personnel and land mobile radio system support for the entire island. Prior to his squadron command assignment, he served as the Chief, Commanders Action Group, JFCC-Global Strike, at USSTRATCOM where he earned his joint officer qualification.



Colonel Lowery is a core logistics readiness officer and has

served a variety of positions at the squadron, wing, Air University Staff, combatant command, and Joint Staff levels. He is a graduate of the Logistics Plans Officer Course, the Advanced Logistics Readiness Officers Course (ALROC), and has served as a Senior Mentor for the Installation Deployment Officer Course (IDOC).

EDUCATION

1994 Bachelor of Science, Industrial Technology, University of Rio Grande, Ohio

2001 Air University, Officer Training School, Maxwell, Air Force Base, Ala.

2001 Air University, Air and Space Basic Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2005 Master of Arts, Transportation Management/Intermodal Transportation, American Military University, W.Va.

2006 Air University, Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2009 Intermediate Logistics Readiness Officers Course, Lackland AFB, Texas

2010 Executive Certification - Integrated Supply Chain Management, Wright State University, Dayton, Ohio

2011 Air University, Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence

2011 Advanced Logistics Readiness Officers Course (ALROC), Joint Base McGuire/Dix/Lakehurst, N.J.

2013 Joint Forces Staff College (JPME II), Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Va.

2015 Air university, Air War College, by correspondence

ASSIGNMENTS

- 1. March 2001 March 2002, Officer in Charge, War Reserve Materiel/Installation Deployment Officer, 509th Logistics Support Squadron, Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo.
- 2. March 2002 March 2003, Vehicle Maintenance/Operations Officer, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron, Whiteman AFB, Mo.
- 3. March 2003 September 2005, Commander, Logistics Readiness Flight and later Deputy Director, Wing Operational Readiness Inspection Preparation Center, 71st Logistics Readiness Squadron, Vance AFB, Okla.
- 4. October 2005 June 2009, Chief, College of Aerospace Doctrine, Research and Education (CADRE) and School of Advanced Air and Space Studies (SAASS) Programs, later Chief, Professional Developmental/Continuing Education Programs, then Chief, Contingency Plans and Action Officer, Headquarters, Air University, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 5. June 2009 June 2011, Director of Operations, 341st Logistics Readiness Squadron, Malmstrom AFB, Mont.
- 6. June 2011 June 2013, Chief, Commanders Action Group, JFCC-Global Strike (JFCC-GS), U.S. Strategic Command, Offutt AFB, Neb.
- 7. June 2013 July 2014, Commander, 36th Mission Support Group / Detachment 1, Diego Garcia, British Indian Ocean Territory
- 8. July 2014 present, Instructor, Joint Combined Warfighting School (JPME II), Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Va.

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

- 1. June 2011 June 2013, Chief, Commanders Action Group, JFCC-Global Strike (JFCC-GS), U.S Strategic Command, Offutt AFB, Neb., as a major
- 2. July 2014 present, Instructor, Joint Combined Warfighting School (JPME II), Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Va., as a major and a lieutenant colonel

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Meritorious Service Medal
Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster
Aerial Achievement Medal
Air Force Commendation Medal with three oak leaf clusters
Joint Service Achievement Medal
Air Force Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Combat Readiness Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant March 2, 2001 First Lieutenant March 2, 2003 Captain March 2, 2005 Major Nov. 1, 2010 Lieutenant Colonel March 1, 2016

(Current as of June 2016)