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## Commander Tricia Cronau

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Commander Tricia Cronau is the commander of 5th Battalion, United States Military Entrance Processing Command, and the Seattle Military Entrance Processing Station.

She received her commission from the Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps at College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, Massachusetts. She was assigned to Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Fifteen, homeported at Naval Air Station Jacksonville, Florida, with a deployment aboard the aircraft carrier USS John F. Kennedy, in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and the Global War on Terrorism; provided search and rescue support and humanitarian relief following Hurricane Katrina, Joint Task Force Katrina; deployed to participate in establishing the 2515th Navy Air Ambulance Combat Medical Evacuation Detachment in Camp Buehring, Kuwait; served as flag aide to the commander, and then assistant aviation officer community manager, Navy Personnel Command, Millington, Tennessee; served as administrative officer and Managers Internal Control Program coordinator for the Chief of Naval Operations, Washington, District of Columbia; served as training department head aboard Nimitz-class supercarrier USS George H.W. Bush, and deployed to Fifth and Sixth Fleet in support of Operations Active Endeavor, Enduring Freedom, and Inherent Resolve; and served as head, Joint Officer Management Assistant Branch and Education and Subspecialty Branch, Navy Personnel Command.



Commander Cronau's professional military education includes flight training, and fleet replacement training for the Sikorsky Seahawk helicopter. She earned a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from College of the Holy Cross, a Master of Military Operational Art and Science from Air Force Command and Staff College, Montgomery, Alabama, and a Master of Science in Operations Management from the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville.

Her awards include two Meritorious Service Medals, three Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medals, the Army Commendation Medal, the Joint Service Achievement Medal, three Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medals, and various unit and service medals and ribbons.