



BIOGRAPHY

BRIGADIER GENERAL DANIEL J. ORCUTT

Brig. Gen. Daniel J. Orcutt is the Vice Commander, 1 AF (Air Forces Northern), Tyndall Air Force Base, Fla., and serves as the Deputy Combined Force Air Component Commander (CFACC) for U. S. Northern Command. He is the principal adviser to the 1 AF Commander and assists in organizing, equipping, and operating air defense forces for aerospace warning and control in support of the Commander, North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD). As the Deputy CFACC, he ensures operational readiness of assigned, aligned, or gained forces for homeland defense, defense support of civil authorities, and theater security cooperation missions for North America.

Prior to assuming his current assignment, Brig General Orcutt was the Commander, 380th Air Expeditionary Wing, Southwest Asia.

General Orcutt cross-commissioned in 1991 as a distinguished graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy. He has served as an instructor pilot in both KC-10s and F-15Es, in two air operations centers, as a White House fellow, and commanded an F-15E squadron, an Operations Group and two wings. General Orcutt has participated in Operations Inherent Resolve, Combined Joint Task Force Horn of Africa, Enduring Freedom, Noble Eagle, Northern Watch, Southern Watch, Assured Response, Restore Hope, Uphold Democracy and Restore Democracy. He is a command pilot with over 4,400 hours in the F-15E, KC-10, and HH-60, including over 1,100 combat or combat support hours.



EDUCATION

- 1991 Distinguished graduate, Bachelor of Science in Political Science, U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md.
- 1997 Distinguished graduate, Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2002 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence
- 2002 Master of Aeronautical Science in Aerospace Management, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Fla.
- 2004 Distinguished graduate, Master of Arts in National Security Studies, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, Calif.
- 2005 Air War College, by correspondence
- 2005 White House Fellow, NASA Headquarters, Washington, D.C.
- 2010 Distinguished graduate, Master of Science in National Resource Strategy, Industrial College of the Armed Forces, Washington, D.C.
- 2011 Leadership Enhancement Program, Center for Creative Leadership, Greensboro, N.C.
- 2014 Enterprise Leadership Seminar, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

ASSIGNMENTS

1. September 1991 – October 1992, top graduate, undergraduate pilot training, Williams AFB, Ariz.
2. November 1992 – August 1995, KC-10 Aircraft Commander, Standards and Evaluation Pilot, 344th Air Refueling Squadron, Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C.
3. September 1995 – August 1997, KC-10 Instructor Pilot, 6th ARS, Travis AFB, Calif.
4. November 1997 – July 1998, top pilot graduate, F-15E initial qualification training, 334th Fighter Squadron, Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C.
5. August 1998 – June 2001, Flight Commander/F-15E Instructor Pilot, 335th Fighter Squadron, Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C.
6. June 2001 – June 2002, Executive Officer/F-15E Instructor Pilot, 4th Fighter Wing, Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C.
7. June 2002 – June 2003, Chief of 607th Air Operations Center Standards and Evaluation, Osan Air Base, South Korea
8. July 2003 – July 2004, Student, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, Calif.

9. September 2004 – August 2005, White House Fellow, NASA Headquarters, Washington, D.C.
10. November 2005 – April 2006, Assistant Director of Operations, 391st Fighter Squadron, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho
11. April 2006 – May 2007, Director of Operations, 391st Fighter Squadron, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho
12. June 2007 – March 2009, Commander, 391st Fighter Squadron, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho
13. March 2009 – June 2009, Deputy Commander, 366th Operations Group, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho
14. July 2009 – June 2010, Student, Industrial College of the Armed Forces, National Defense University, Washington, D.C.
15. July 2010 – June 2012, Commander, 48th Operations Group, RAF Lakenheath, England
16. June 2012 – June 2013, Chief Strategy Division, 609th Combined Air and Space Operations Center, Southwest Asia
17. July 2013 – June 2015, Commander, 505th Command and Control Wing, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
18. June 2015 – June 2016, Commander, 380th Air Expeditionary Wing, Southwest Asia
19. July 2016 – Present, Vice Commander, 1 AF (Air Forces Northern), Tyndall AFB, Fla.

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 2012 – June 2013 Strategy Division Chief, 609th Combined Air Operations Center, Al Udeid Air Base Qatar, as a Colonel

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Command pilot

Flight hours: More than 4,400, including over 1,100 hours of combat/combat support

Aircraft flown: F-15E, KC-10, T-38, T-37, and HH-60

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters

Bronze Star

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with seven oak leaf clusters

Aerial Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air Force Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster

Joint Meritorious Unit Award

Meritorious Unit Award with three oak leaf clusters

AF Outstanding Unit Award with four oak leaf clusters

PUBLICATIONS

Naval Institute Press Award for most Outstanding Thesis in National Security Affairs Department, 2004 “Carrot, Stick, or Sledgehammer: U.S. Policy Options for North Korean Nuclear Weapons”

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

Air Training Command Commander’s Trophy, Undergraduate Pilot Training, 1991

Air Combat Command Daedalian Exceptional Pilot of the Year, 2000

Air Force Association Award for Top U.S. Air Force Graduate from Naval Postgraduate School, 2004

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant May 29, 1991

First Lieutenant May 29, 1993

Captain May 29, 1995

Major March 1, 2002

Lieutenant Colonel March 1, 2006

Colonel Oct. 1, 2009

Brigadier General Aug. 2, 2015

(Current as of August 2016)