

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

LIEUTENANT COLONEL JOSEPH F. D'AMICO II

Colonel Joseph F. D'Amico II is the Commander and Professor of Aerospace Studies, Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFROTC) Detachment 172, at Valdosta State University in Valdosta, Georgia. He is responsible to the University President and Commander of AFROTC for recruiting, educating, training and commissioning Air Force officer candidates into the United States Air Force.

Colonel D'Amico is an interservice transfer officer from the U.S. Army. He transferred to the U.S. Air Force as a Captain into Security Forces and has served in a variety of command, operational, and staff duties. His operational experience includes command of a Security Forces Squadron in Air Education and Training Command, command of a Security Forces and Base Defense Squadron in Air Combat Command, command of an Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron in Iraq, command of a Security Forces Squadron in Europe, and various positions at the tactical level. During his staff tours, Colonel D'Amico served as Operations Branch Chief in Air Education Training Command, Training and Contingencies Branch Chief and Deputy Chief of Security Forces in Air Combat Command.



Colonel D'Amico received his commission with his Associate Degree through the U.S. Army early commissioning program at New Mexico Military Institute in 1995. In 1998, Colonel D'Amico graduated from Sam Houston State University and entered active duty Army as a First Lieutenant in the Armor Branch where he served as a Tank Platoon Leader, Company Commander and Unit Movement Officer. In 2001, Colonel D'Amico transferred to the Air Force. He has also earned a Master of Arts degree from Webster University and an Executive Certificate in Leadership and Management from the University of Notre Dame.

EDUCATION

1995 Associate in Arts, New Mexico Military Institute, Roswell, NM
1998 Bachelor of Science, Criminal Justice, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX
2002 Squadron Officer School Resident Program, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL
2007 Master of Arts, Human Resource Management, Webster University, Saint Louis, MO
2007 U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, KS
2009 Executive Certificate, Leadership and Management, University of Notre Dame
2014 Air War College (Non-residence)

ASSIGNMENTS

1. May 96 – May 98, Tank Platoon Leader, Alpha Company, 5th Battalion 112th Armor, Huntsville, TX.
2. May 98 – Oct 98, Armor Student, Headquarters, HQ Troop, 2d Sqdn 16th Cavalry, Fort Knox, KY.
3. Dec 98 – Sep 99, Tank Platoon Leader, Lightning Troop, 3d Sqdn 3d Armored Cavalry Regiment, Fort Carson, CO.
4. Sep 99 – May 01, Rear Detachment Commander and Unit Movement Officer, Headquarters, Headquarters Troop, 3d Squadron, 3d Armored Cavalry Regiment, Fort Carson, CO.
5. May 01 – Jun 04, Flight Leader, Resources & Training Flight Commander and Operations Officer, 75th Security Forces Squadron, Hill AFB, UT.
6. Jun 04 – Aug 05, Chief, Operations Branch, Headquarters Air Education and Training Command Security Forces, Randolph AFB, TX.
7. Aug 05 – Feb 06, Operations Officer, 376th Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron, Manas AB, Kyrgyzstan.
8. Feb 06 – Jun 06, Chief, Operations Branch, Headquarters Air Education and Training Command Security Forces, Randolph AFB, TX.
9. Jun 06 – Jun 07, Student, US Army Command & General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, KS.
10. Jun 07 – Jul 09, Commander, 97th Security Forces Squadron, Altus AFB, OK.
11. Jul 09 – Oct 10, Commander, 822d Security Forces Squadron, Moody AFB, GA.
12. May 11 – Nov 11, Commander, 532d Expeditionary Security Forces Sqdn, Joint Base Balad, Iraq.
13. Oct 10 – Feb 12, Commander, 822d Base Defense Squadron, Moody AFB, GA.
14. Feb 12 – Jun 12, Director, Plans and Programs, 93d Air Ground Operations Wing, Moody AFB, GA.
15. Jun 12 – Jun 14, Chief, Training and Contingencies Branch and Deputy Chief of Security Forces, Headquarters Air Combat Command Security Forces, Joint Base Langley-Eustis, VA.
16. Jul 14 – Jun 17, Commander, 52d Security Forces Squadron, Spangdahlem AB, Germany.
17. Jul 17 – Present, Commander and Professor of Aerospace Studies, AFROTC Det 172, Valdosta State University, Valdosta, GA.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Bronze Star
Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters
Air Force Commendation Medal
Army Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster
Air Force Achievement Medal
Army Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster
Meritorious Unit Award with one oak leaf cluster
Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with four devices
Air Force Organizational Excellence Award
Combat Readiness Medal
National Defense Service Medal
Iraqi Campaign Medal with two stars
Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

2002 Air Force Materiel Command Outstanding Security Forces Company Grade Officer of the Year
2002 Air Force Materiel Command Outstanding Medium Security Forces Unit Award
2003 Air Force Materiel Command Outstanding Large Security Forces Unit Award
2005 Air Education and Training Command Company Grade Officer of the Year
2005 Air Education and Training Command Security Forces Staff Company Grade Officer of the Year
2005 Air Education and Training Command Outstanding Higher HQ Company Grade Officer of the Year
2005 Randolph Air Force Base Company Grade Officer of the Year
2005 American Society for Industrial Security International Excellence in Law Enforcement Award
2006 Air Force Association Alamo Chapter Blue Suit Award Outstanding Company Grade Officer
2007 Air Education and Training Command Best Medium-Sized Security Forces Unit Award
2016 Commander-in-Chief Installation Excellence Award

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant	3 Jun 1995
First Lieutenant	12 Aug 1997
Captain	19 Oct 1999
Major	1 Feb 2006
Lieutenant Colonel	1 Nov 2010

(Current as of July 2017)