



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

TECHNICAL SERGEANT JONATHAN B. TAITINGFONG

Technical Sergeant Jonathan B. Taitingfong is the AFROTC Training Instructor for Detachment 172 at Valdosta State University in Valdosta, Georgia. He oversees the cadet life-cycle while supporting 5 cadre and over 60 cadets. He serves as the detachment Key Enlisted Leader and as the primary enlisted advisor to the detachment commander and cadre on a wide range of topics including academics, health, morale, esprit de corps, mentoring, military training, professional development, and recognition of all assigned cadets.

Sergeant Taitingfong enlisted into the Air Force in August of 2005 and was assigned to Air Mobility Command (AMC) working C-5 Aircraft Maintenance. He served as a Crew Supervisor and NCOIC in multiple assignments throughout Pacific Air Forces (PACAF) and U.S. Air Forces Europe (USAFE).

EDUCATION

2010 Airman Leadership School, Kadena AB, Japan

2015 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education, Non-Residence

2017 Non-Commissioned Officer Academy, Kapaun Air Station, Germany

2021 Associate of Applied Science, Aircraft Maintenance Technology, Community College of the Air Force

ASSIGNMENTS

1. August 2005 – October 2005, Student, Basic Military Training, Lackland AFB, Texas

2. October 2005 – January 2006, Student, Aerospace Propulsion Apprentice Course, Sheppard AFB, Texas

3. January 2006 – May 2009, C-5 Aircraft Maintenance, 60th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, Travis AFB, California.

4. May 2009 – July 2013, TF34 Jet Engine Intermediate Maintenance, 18th Component Maintenance Squadron, Kadena AB, Japan.

5. July 2013 – July 2018, F110 Jet Engine Intermediate Maintenance Crew Supervisor and Test Cell NCOIC, 52nd Maintenance Squadron, Spangdahlem AB, Germany.

6. July 2018 – July 2022, Propulsion Flight Programs Section Chief, Centralized Repair Facility Expediter, JEIM NCOIC, and Modular and Accessory Repair Section Chief, 18th Component Maintenance Squadron, Kadena AB, Japan.

7. July 2022 – Present, AFROTC Training Instructor, AFROTC Detachment 172, Valdosta State University, Valdosta, GA.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Air and Space Commendation Medal with three oak leaf clusters

Air and Space Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Meritorious Unit Award with one oak leaf cluster

Air and Space Outstanding Unit Award

Iraq Campaign Medal

Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Airman Basic Aug 30, 2005

Airman First Class Oct 14, 2005

Senior Airman Feb 14, 2008

Staff Sergeant Apr. 1, 2010

Technical Sergeant Apr. 1, 2015

(Current as of September 2022)