



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

LIEUTENANT COLONEL MICHAEL A. ARGUELLO

Lieutenant Colonel Michael Arguello is the Commander of Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFROTC) Detachment 175, and Chairs the Department of Aerospace Studies, at the University of Hawai'i Manoa. In this capacity, he is charged with recruiting, developing, and commissioning the next generation of Air Force leaders.

Lieutenant Colonel Arguello, a native of San Antonio, Texas holds Master's Degrees from the Air Force Institute of Technology, Webster University, Air University and a Bachelor's Degree from the University of Miami-Florida. He received his commission in 2003 through the University of Miami AFROTC program.

Lieutenant Colonel Arguello holds a rating as a Master Acquisition Officer. He deployed in support of Operations IRAQI FREEDOM as the Officer In Charge of the Department of Public Works. Prior to his current position he served as the Commander, 4th Battalion in the US Military Entrance Processing Command in Cleveland, Ohio.



EDUCATION

- 2002 Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering, University of Miami, Coral Gables, FL
- 2008 Master's Aeronautical Engineering, Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright Patterson Air Force Base, OH
- 2008 Master's Business Administration, Webster University, St. Louis, MO
- 2010 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, AL
- 2016 Master's of Military Arts and Sciences, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, AL

ASSIGNMENTS

1. Jan 03 – Apr 06 Hypersonic Flight Test Engineer, 412 Test Wing, Edwards AFB, CA
2. May 06 – Apr 08 Student, Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright Patterson AFB, OH
3. May 08 – Nov 10 Deputy Branch Chief, Air Force Research Laboratory Directed Energy, Kirtland AFB, NM
4. Nov 10 – Jun 13 Operation Flight Commander, Detachment 825 Air Force ROTC, Austin, TX
5. Jun 13 – Jul 16 Director of Operations, Southwest Region AFROTC, San Antonio, TX
6. Jul 16 – May 17 Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, AL
7. Jun 17 – Jul 19 Director, Air Command and Staff College Preparatory Course, Maxwell AFB, AL
8. Jul 19 – Jul 21 Commander, 4th Battalion, United States Military Entrance Processing Command, Cleveland, OH
9. Jul 21 – Present Commander, Detachment 175 Air Force ROTC, University of Hawai'i Manoa, Honolulu, HI

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

- Defense Meritorious Service Medal
- Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters
- Joint Service Commendation Medal
- Air Force Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster
- Air Force Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster
- AF Organizational Excellence Award
- Iraq Campaign Medal
- Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Service Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

- Second Lieutenant January 5, 2003
- First Lieutenant January 5, 2005
- Captain January 5, 2007
- Major December 1, 2012
- Lieutenant Colonel December 1, 2017
- (current as of September 2021)**