



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

LIEUTENANT COLONEL TODD J. PACIENCIA

Lieutenant Colonel Todd J. Paciencia is the Deputy Commander of the 65th Air Base Group. The group is composed of four squadrons of 1,200 personnel located at Lajes Field, Azores, Portugal and Morón Air Base, Spain, and provides power projection for US and Allied air operations by maintaining combat support and global command and control capabilities.

Lt Colonel Paciencia received his commission in 2004 from Officer Training School. He has served in a variety of units, organizations, and locations with different mission sets, has held Operational Analysis leadership positions at the Major Command and Headquarters Air Force levels, and served as Commander of the Pacific Air Forces Air Postal Squadron. He also served in contingency operations during operations IRAQI FREEDOM and INHERENT RESOLVE. Prior to this assignment, Lieutenant Colonel Paciencia was Deputy Director, Pacific Air Forces Analyses, Assessments, and Lessons Learned Directorate (PACAF/A9), Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii.



EDUCATION

2003 Bachelor of Arts, Mathematical Sciences, Binghamton University, Binghamton, NY
2004 Lieutenant Professional Development Course, Kirtland AFB, NM
2004 Fundamentals of Acquisitions Management, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH
2004 Air and Space Basic Course, Maxwell AFB, AL
2008 Masters of Science, Operations Research, Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH
2010 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, AL
2014 Doctor of Philosophy, Operations Research, Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH
2015 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence

ASSIGNMENTS

1. March 2004 – June 2004, Lead Analyst, Joint GPS Combat Effectiveness Joint Test and Evaluation, Kirtland AFB, NM
2. July 2004 – November 2005, Chief, Analysis Branch, Air Force Joint Test and Evaluation Group Quick Reaction Test Force, Kirtland AFB, NM
3. December 2005 – July 2006, Systems Analyst, Air Force Operational Test and Evaluation Center Test Support/Air Force Research Laboratory Space Countermeasures Hands-On Program, Kirtland AFB, NM
4. August 2006 – March 2008, Student, Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH
5. April 2008 – September 2008, Advanced Computing Research Engineer, Air Force Research Laboratory Information Directorate, Rome, NY
6. September 2008 – April 2009, Strategic Assessment Analyst, Multi-National Forces - Iraq CJ9, Baghdad, Iraq
7. May 2009 – October 2010, Squadron Section Commander, Rome Research Site, Rome, NY
8. November 2010 – November 2011, Chief, Operations Assessment Team, 607 Air Operations Center, Osan AFB, Korea
9. December 2011 – December 2014, Student, Air Force Institute of Technology, WPAFB, OH
10. January 2015 – July 2016, Force Structure Analyst, Headquarters US Air Force/A9, Pentagon, Washington D.C.
11. August 2016 – March 2018, Chief, Air Campaign Analysis Branch, Headquarters US Air Force/A9, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
12. March 2018 – November 2018, Deputy Chief, Commander's Initiatives Group, Combined Joint Task Force - Operation Inherent Resolve, Baghdad, Iraq
13. December 2018 – June 2019, Technical Director, Force Structure Analyses Directorate, Headquarters US Air Force/A9, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
14. June 2019 – July 2021, Commander, Pacific Air Forces Air Postal Squadron, Yokota Air Base, Japan
15. July 2021 – July 2023, Deputy Director, Pacific Air Forces/A9, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii
16. July 2023 – Present, Deputy Commander, 65th Air Base Group, Lajes Field, Azores, Portugal

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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 oak leaf cluster
Joint Service Achievement Medal
Air Force Achievement Medal

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

Distinguished Graduate, Air Force Institute of Technology, 2008
Honor Graduate, Air Operations Center Strategy Initial Qualification Training, 2010
Air Force Field Grade Analyst of the Year, 2016, 2017
Air Force Analytic Team of the Year, 2021
Air Force Analytic Team of the Year Honorable Mention, 2018

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant February 20, 2004
First Lieutenant February 20, 2006
Captain February 20, 2008
Major February 1, 2014
Lt Col December 12, 2018

(Current as of July 2023)