



# BIOGRAPHY



## UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

### COLONEL CRAIG M. HARMON

Colonel Craig M. Harmon is the Commander, 515th Air Mobility Operations Wing, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii. The 515 AMOW provides forward-deployed command and control, aerial port, and aircraft maintenance support to DoD organic and contracted commercial aircraft executing airlift and air refueling missions throughout the Pacific theater. The wing is comprised of approximately 1,600 U.S. military, civilian, and local national personnel operating from 15 locations and includes two groups, six squadrons, three detachments, and six operating locations spanning from Alaska to Diego Garcia to New Zealand.

Colonel Harmon received his commission through the United States Air Force Academy in 1994. He served in Air Mobility Command as a C-5A/B/M Evaluator Pilot. He also served in Pacific Air Forces as a C-21A Evaluator Pilot and Air Education and Training Command as a T-44A Evaluator Pilot. He commanded at the squadron level three times to include 4<sup>th</sup> Cadet Squadron, US Air Force Academy, 405<sup>th</sup> Expeditionary Operation Support Squadron, AF Central Command, and the 9<sup>th</sup> Airlift Squadron, Air Mobility Command. Prior to this assignment, Colonel Harmon was the 515 AMOW Vice-Commander.



### EDUCATION

1994 Bachelor of Science, Biology, United States Air Force Academy, Colorado  
2001 Distinguished Graduate, Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama  
2004 Masters in Management, Embry Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona Beach, Florida  
2006 USAF Air Command and Staff College by correspondence  
2006 Intermediate Developmental Education, USAFA AOC Masters Program, USAF Academy, Colorado  
2006 Masters in Counseling and Leadership, University of Colorado, Colorado  
2011 USAF War College by correspondence  
2014 Senior Developmental Education, Joint Advanced Warfighting School, Norfolk, Virginia  
2014 Masters in Joint Campaign Planning and Strategy, National Defense University, Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Virginia

### ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 1994 – January 1996, Undergraduate Pilot Training, 8th & 25th Flying Training Squadron, Enid, OK
2. February 1996 – February 1999, C-21 Evaluator Pilot, Chief of Training, 459th Airlift Squadron, Yokota

AB, Japan

3. March 1999 – February 2002, C-5 Instructor Pilot, Chief of Training, 21st Airlift Squadron, Travis AFB, CA
4. March 2002 – April 2005, T-44 Evaluator Pilot, Director of Operations, Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training, VT– 31st Flying Training Squadron, Corpus Christie Naval Air Station, TX
5. May 2005 – May 2006, Student, Air Officer Commanding Masters Program, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs, CO
6. June 2006 – May 2008, Air Officer Commanding, Cadet Squadron FOUR, United States Air Force Academy, CO
7. June 2008 - March 2009, C-5 Evaluator Pilot, Chief of Wing Plans and Programs, 436th Airlift Wing, Dover AFB, DE
8. April 2009 – October 2009, C-5 Evaluator Pilot, Operations Officer, 436th Operations Support Squadron, Dover AFB, DE
9. November 2009 – April 2011, C-5M Evaluator Pilot, Operations Officer, 9th Airlift Squadron, Dover AFB, DE with deployed duty from May 2010 – December 2010, Commander, 405th EOSS, Thumrait AB, Oman
10. May 2011 – March 2013, C-5M Evaluator Pilot and Commander, 9th Airlift Squadron, Dover AFB, DE
11. March 2013 – June 2013, Sexual Assault Response Coordinator, 436 Airlift Wing, Dover AFB, DE
12. July 2013 – June 2014, Student, Joint Advanced Warfighting School, National Defense University, Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk, VA
13. July 2014 – June 2015, Policy Operations Branch Chief, UCJ5 Policy, United States Forces Korea, Yongsan Garrison, Seoul, South Korea
14. July 2015 – May 2016, Chief Inspections Division, Inspector General, United States Air Force Reserve Command, Robins AFB, GA
15. June 2016 – June 2018, Vice Commander, 515 Air Mobility Operations Wing (AMC), Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii
16. June 2018 – Present, Commander, 515 Air Mobility Operations Wing (AMC), Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii

### **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: Command Pilot

Flight hours: More than 4,800

Aircraft flown: C-5A, B, C & M, C-21, T-37, T-38 and T-44

### **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Legion of Merit

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with 3 oak leaf clusters

Air Medal

Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster Navy

Commendation Medal

Air Force Achievement Medal

Navy Achievement Medal

Joint Meritorious Unit Award

Meritorious Unit Award

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with 6 oak leaf clusters

National Defense Service Medal with bronze service star

Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal

Kosovo Campaign Medal

Korean Defense Service Medal

NATO Medal

**EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant	June 1, 1994
First Lieutenant	June 1, 1996
Captain	June 1, 1998
Major	October 1, 2004
Lieutenant Colonel	September 1, 2009
Colonel	December 1, 2015

(Current as of June 2018)