

Lieutenant Colonel Angelica Silva is the Commander of the 332d Training Squadron for the 637th Training Group. As the 332d Commander, she is the Dean of Academics for the Defense Language Institute English Language Center (DLIELC) at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, Texas. She oversees more than 350 Air Force active-duty and civilian professionals engaged in English language instruction, curriculum development, and English language testing, which provides English language training to more than 3,500 international students annually, from over 110 countries.

Lieutenant Colonel Silva received her commission in 2009 from Baylor University's Air Force Reserve Officers' Training Corps. Her communications and Foreign Area Officer background has been utilized in various roles and locations including the Republic of Korea, Portugal, and Turkey. Prior to her current assignment, she served as a Senior Counternarcotics Policy Analyst for the Office of National Drug Control Policy. In this role, she advised the President's Drug Policy Director and strengthened alliances and international partnerships with countries in the Western Hemisphere in support of National Drug Control Strategy goals.



Lt Col Silva became a Foreign Area Officer in 2019. As part her development, she attended Naval Postgraduate School and subsequently served as a Military Exchange Officer in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

EDUCATION

- 2009 Bachelor of Arts, Russian, Baylor University, Texas
- 2009 Bachelor of Arts, Spanish, Baylor University, Texas
- 2009 Air and Space Basic Course, Maxwell Air Force Base (AFB), Ala.
- 2009 Basic Communications Officer Training, Keesler AFB, Miss.
- 2012 Cyberspace Operations Fundamentals Course, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
- 2015 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2019 Master of Arts, Security Studies (Western Hemisphere), Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, Calif.
- 2022 Air Force Command and Staff College, Escola de Comando e Estado Maior, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

ASSIGNMENTS OR CAREER CHRONOLOGY

- 1. July 2009–June 2010, Assistant Officer-In-Charge, Web Shop, Detachment 4, Headquarters Air Force Intelligence Surveillance and Reconnaissance Agency, Lackland AFB, Texas
- 2. June 2010–July 2011, Officer-In-Charge, Information Technology Systems Support, Detachment 4, Headquarters Air Force Intelligence Surveillance and Reconnaissance Agency, Lackland AFB, Texas
- 3. July 2011–May 2012, Executive Officer, A6 Directorate, Headquarters Air Force Intelligence Surveillance and Reconnaissance Agency, Lackland AFB, Texas



- 4. June 2012–June 2013, Deputy Chief of Plans and Programs/Inspections and Evaluations, 8th Fighter Wing, Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea
- 5. June 2013–June 2014, Cyber Operations Flight Commander, 65th Communications Squadron, 65th Mission Support Group, 65th Air Base Wing, Lajes Field, Azores, Portugal
- 6. June 2014–September 2015, Wing Executive Officer, 65th Air Base Wing, Lajes Field, Azores, Portugal
- 7. September 2015-September 2017, Director of Operations, 717th Air Base Squadron, Ankara, Turkey
- 8. September 2017-June 2019, Foreign Area Officer Fellowship, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, Calif.
- 9. June 2019–June 2020, Director of Nonresident Operations, 637th International Support Squadron, Defense Language Institute English Language Center, Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, Texas
- 10. June 2020-December 2021, Director, Commander's Action Group, 37th Training Wing, Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, Texas
- 11. December 2021–2022, Military Exchange Officer, Escola de Comando e Estado Maior da Aeronautica, Base Aerea dos Afonsos, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
- 12. January 2023–July 2025, Senior Counternarcotics Policy Analyst, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Washington, District of Columbia
- 13. July 2025–Present, Commander, 332d Training Squadron, Defense Language Institute English Language Center, Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, Texas

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant 18 June 2009 First Lieutenant 18 June 2011 Captain 18 June 2013 Major 1 May 2019 Lieutenant Colonel 1 October 2023

(Current as of July 2025)