



COLONEL DUSTIN M. HART

Col. Hart is the Commander of the 637th Training Group, and the Commandant, Defense Language Institute English Language Center, Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, Texas. Hart is responsible for an on-campus program comprised of military and civilian leaders from more than 110 countries as well as more than 30 non-resident locations around the world. DLIELC is the Gateway to America for international students and provides a comprehensive American cultural immersive experience, building security cooperation capability for more than 3,500 students annually. The 637th Training Group provides English language training to international military and civilian personnel in addition to the U.S. Army and U.S. Coast Guard's pre-Basic Combat Training trainees. DLIELC fosters English language proficiency on campus and worldwide, strengthening alliances, partnerships and meaningful enhanced interoperability.

Col. Hart graduated with honors from University of Florida in 2002 and was commissioned through the Reserve Officer Training Corps. He is a career Public Affairs Officer, serving in PA assignments at the wing, numbered air force, major command and combatant command levels. Additionally, he has served as the commander of the 341st Recruiting Squadron and the PA Assignments Officer at the Air Force Personnel Center, JBSA-Randolph, Texas.



Prior to his current position, Col. Hart was the Director of Public Affairs, Headquarters, Air Combat Command, Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Va.

EDUCATION

2002 Bachelors of Science in public relations, University of Florida, Gainesville, Fla.

2003 Honor Graduate, Defense Information School, Fort Meade, Md.

2007 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2010 Master of Business Administration, Webster University, St. Louis, Mo.

2012 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence.

2015 Master of Science, National Security and Strategic Studies, College of Naval Command and Staff College, Newport, R.I.

2019 Air War College, by correspondence

2023 Master of Science, Strategic Studies, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 2002-July 2005, Public Affairs Officer and Directorate Executive Officer, HQ Air Mobility Command, Scott AFB Base, Ill.
2. August 2005-August 2007, Deputy Chief of Public Affairs, 347th Rescue Wing, Moody AFB, Ga.
3. August 2007-September 2009, Chief of Public Affairs, 23rd Wing, Moody AFB, Ga.
4. July 2008-July 2009, Information Operations Officer, Nangarhar Provincial Reconstruction Team, Nangarhar Province, Afghanistan
5. October 2009-June 2012, Public Affairs Plans Officer, HQ NORAD and USNORTHCOM, Peterson AFB, Colo.
6. June 2012-July 2014, Chief, Public Affairs Officer Assignments, HQ Air Force Personnel Center, Randolph AFB, Texas
7. July 2014-June 2015, Student, College of Naval Command and Staff, Naval War College, Newport Naval Station, R.I.
8. June 2015-June 2017, Commander, 341st Recruiting Squadron, San Antonio, Texas
9. June 2017-June 2020, Deputy Director, U.S. Air Forces Europe-Air Forces Africa, Ramstein Air Base, Germany





BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

10. June 2020-June 2021, Director, 9th Air Force (Air Forces Central) Public Affairs, Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar
11. July 2021-July 2022, SDE Fellow/Academic Instructor, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
12. July 2022-May 2023, Student, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
13. June 2023-June 2024, Instructor, Department of Leadership and Warfighting, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
14. June 2024 – Present, Director of Public Affairs, Headquarters, Air Combat Command, Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Va.

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

1. October 2009 – June 2012, Public Affairs Plans Officer, HQ NORAD and USNORTHCOM, Peterson AFB, Colo., as a captain and major

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Bronze Star Medal

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with five oak leaf clusters

Joint Service Achievement Medal

Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air Force Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster

National Defense Service Medal

Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

Humanitarian Service Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant May 29, 2002

First Lieutenant May 29, 2004

Captain May 29, 2006

Major May 1, 2012

Lieutenant Colonel April 1, 2017

Colonel July 1, 2023

(Current as of July 2025)

