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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL KEVIN L. “FEMUR” PARSONS

Colonel Kevin L. Parsons is the Commander of Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFROTC) Detachment 842 and Chairs the Department of Aerospace Studies at the University of Texas at San Antonio. In this capacity, he is charged with recruiting, educating, developing, and commissioning the next generation of Air Force and Space Force leaders.

Colonel Parsons earned his commission in 2002 through the United States Air Force Academy. He served as a KC-135 instructor pilot, evaluator pilot, and weapons officer at the squadron, group, and wing level. He was the Director of Operations for the 509th Weapons Squadron, United States Air Force Weapons School, and he commanded the 93d Air Refueling Squadron, Fairchild Air Force Base, Washington. Colonel Parsons served on Air Mobility Command staff as the Chief of Special Access Programs and the Chief of Nuclear Policy and on United States Transportation Command Staff as the Chief of Global Tanker Operations. Prior to his current position, he was the Air Mobility Command Chief of Nuclear Operations.

Colonel Parsons is a command pilot with more than 3000 flying hours, including 1000 combat hours supporting Operations JOINT GUARDIAN, IRAQI FREEDOM, ENDURING FREEDOM, NEW DAWN, and INHERENT RESOLVE.



EDUCATION

2002 Bachelor of Science in Operations Research, U.S. Air Force Academy, CO
2008 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, AL
2010 KC-135 Weapons Instructor Course, U.S. Air Force Weapons School, Fairchild AFB, WA
2011 Master of Science in Leadership, Southwestern College, KS
2012 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence
2015 Master of Science in Logistics, Advanced Studies in Air Mobility, Air Force Expeditionary Center, NJ
2021 Master of Strategic Studies, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, AL

ASSIGNMENTS

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| 1. May 2002 – Jun 2003 | Assistant Executive Officer, 2d Bomb Group, Barksdale Air Force Base (AFB), LA |
| 2. Jun 2003 – Jun 2004 | Student, Undergraduate Pilot Training, Columbus AFB, MS |
| 3. Jun 2004 – Jun 2008 | KC-135 Pilot/Instructor Pilot, 351st Air Refueling Squadron, Royal Air Force Mildenhall, UK |
| 4. Jun 2008 – Jan 2010 | Flight Commander/Evaluator Pilot, 350th Air Refueling Squadron, McConnell AFB, KS |
| 5. Jan 2010 – Jun 2010 | Student, KC-135 Weapons Instructor Course, Fairchild AFB, WA |
| 6. Jun 2010 – Sep 2011 | Chief of Weapons and Tactics, 22d Operations Support Squadron, McConnell AFB, KS |
| 7. Sep 2011 – Jun 2012 | Receiver Tanker Pilot/Deputy Chief of Special Operations Air Refueling, 22d Operations Group, McConnell AFB, KS |
| 8. Jun 2012 – May 2014 | Director of Operations, 509th Weapons Squadron, Fairchild AFB, WA |





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9. May 2014 – Jul 2015	Student, Advanced Studies in Air Mobility, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, NJ
10. Jul 2015 – Jul 2017	Chief, Special Access Programs Tanker Operations and Chief, Nuclear Operations Policy, Headquarters Air Mobility Command, Scott AFB, IL
11. July 2017 – Jul 2018	Chief of Wing Safety, 92d Air Refueling Wing, Fairchild AFB, WA
12. Jul 2018 – Jun 2020	Commander, 93d Air Refueling Squadron, Fairchild AFB, WA
13. Jun 2020 – May 2021	Student, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, AL
14. May 2021 – Jun 2023	Chief of Global Tanker Operations, U.S. Transportation Command, Scott AFB, IL
15. Jun 2023 – Jun 2025	Chief, Nuclear Operations Division, Air Mobility Command, Scott AFB, IL
16. Jun 2025 – Present	Commander, AFROTC Detachment 842, University of Texas at San Antonio, TX

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

May 2021 – Jun 2023	Chief of Global Tanker Operations, U.S. Transportation Command, Scott AFB, IL
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FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Command Pilot

Flight Hours: 3016

Aircraft flown: T-37B, T-1A, KC-135R/T/RT

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with three oak leaf clusters

Air and Space Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air and Space Achievement Medal

Combat Readiness Medal with one oak leaf cluster

National Defense Service Medal

Iraq Campaign Medal with one service star

Global War On Terrorism Expeditionary Medal

Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

Nuclear Deterrence Operations Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION *[MILITARY ONLY]*

Second Lieutenant, 29 May 2002

First Lieutenant, 29 May 2004

Captain, 29 May 2006

Major, 1 May 2012

Lieutenant Colonel, 1 Apr 2017

Colonel, 1 June 2023

(Current as of July 2025)

