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Cadet Class Statistics (as of 31 May 19)

| Class Year | Men | Women | Total |
|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| 2018 | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| 2019 | 16 | 1 | 17 |
| 2020 | 713 | 290 | 1003 |
| 2021 | 789 | 304 | 1093 |
| 2022 | 835 | 284 | 1119 |
| WING | 2356 | 879 | 3235 |

53 International Cadets are counted in the Cadet Wing Strength, but do not count in the Fiscal year Strength.



Public Affairs staff report, May 2, 2019

U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo. — So you want to visit the Academy but don't feel like leaving home?

All you need is the internet, thanks to an interactive, 360-degree virtual tour the school launched May 1.

“Every potential cadet, family member, community member and general supporter gets an authentic, behind-the-scenes view of what the Academy is like,” said Mike Peterson, the Academy’s chief of outreach.

The tour can be taken with smartphones, computers, or via head-mounted display across the Gen. Benjamin O. Davis Jr. Airfield and through the remotely piloted aircraft center, the human performance lab, the Cadet Chapel, and nearly 50 other on-campus locations.

“For the first time, students and fans from around the world can take flight over our campus, parachute into a crowded football stadium, and navigate through our state-of-the-art classrooms and athletic facilities,” said Andrew Hamilton, the Academy’s chief of marketing.

Hamilton said and the virtual tour is a nod toward the Academy better serving the interests of the general public.

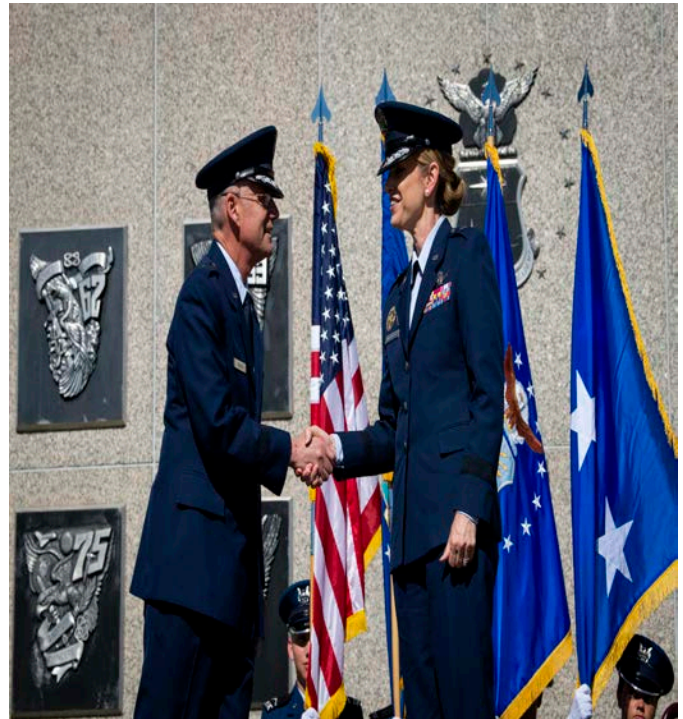
“The lines between communication and entertainment are increasingly blurred,” he said. “We’re no longer just competing with other colleges and military academics for screen-time, but also Netflix.”

Several 360-degree film-shorts seen on the tour will be shown at the Academy’s Planetarium for free, Monday-Friday.

Visit www.usafa.edu/virtualtour to experience the tour

U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo. — Cadets at the Air Force Academy have a new boss: Brig. Gen. Michele Edmondson.

Edmondson reported for duty May 31 to take on her duties as commandant of cadets and for her official assumption of command ceremony, lead by Lt. Gen. Jay Silveria, the Academy superintendent.



Lt. Gen. Jay Silveria (left), the superintendent of the U.S. Air Force Academy, shakes hands with Brig. Gen. Michele Edmondson after she assumes command of the Academy’s cadet wing, May 31, 2019. (U.S. Air Force photo /Joshua Armstrong)

Story by Ray Bowden, June 3, 2019

At the ceremony, Silveria said Edmondson’s experience makes her the right officer to lead the Academy’s 4,000 cadets and the 200 service members and civilians on the cadet wing’s staff.

“My challenge to you is to elevate the performance of the cadet wing to even greater heights,” Silveria said to Edmondson. “To ensure [cadets] are not only up to the task, but ready to outpace, out-think and outperform our adversaries in whatever mission they are called to take on.”

Edmondson said she “can’t wait to get started.”

“My goal is providing the synergy that General Silveria needs,” she told the crowd and the entire cadet wing standing in formation nearby.

Edmondson is the Academy’s 29th commandant of cadets.

Before arriving at the Academy, Edmondson directed Space Policy for the National Security Council at the

White House. She's earned masters' in strategic studies, national security affairs, and organizational management; and a bachelor's in aerospace engineering.

Edmondson kept her comments at the ceremony short as a nod to the cadet formation.

"Cadets, it's not lost on me that I'm the last thing standing between you and your summer leave," she said.



Staff report, June 3, 2019

U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo. – The Air Force Academy's summer flying training operations run June 4-August 2.

Flying operations, which take place all year but increase during summer, are part of the Academy's Airmanship programs, which include soaring, powered flight and parachute operations.

Summer flying hours are Monday-Friday, 7 a.m.-Sunset. There may be an additional occasional Saturday flying training day.



Airmanship programs expose cadets to the fundamentals of flying and provide leadership and character development opportunities. More than 1,000 cadets participate in the Airmanship programs during the Summer months.

This program supports the development of cadets as future officers and leaders. Nearly fifty percent of Academy's cadets are selected to attend pilot training after graduating.



All photos by Trevor Cokley, June 21, 2019

U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo. — The three-week Field Engineering Readiness Lab — also known as "FERL" — is a summer course for soon-to-be junior cadets at the Air Force Academy. The course is designed to advance their basic knowledge of construction.

Here's a few photos of their work this week at the lab in Jacks Valley.



PREP SCHOOL INFORMATION

Below is the Point of Contact for questions for our Preparatory School Candidate parents.

Central Email for Prep School Questions:
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Website: <https://www.usafa.edu/prep-school/>

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<https://www.facebook.com/USAFAPrepSchool/>

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Prep School 2019-2020 Academic Calendar:
https://www.usafa.edu/app/uploads/PL_2019-2020_Calendar.pdf

HELPFUL WEBSITES and POCs -

Parent Information Link:
<https://www.usafa.edu/parents/>

Graduation Information Link:
<https://www.usafa.edu/about/traditions/graduation/>

USAFA's Public Calendar Link:
(Managed by the Association of Graduates)
www.usafa.org/Calendar/Events

2016 - 2017 Cadet Academic Calendar Link:
<https://www.usafa.edu/app/uploads/AY-2016-2017-Calendar-Approved-12-Jul-16-1.pdf>

2017 - 2018 Cadet Academic Calendar Link:
The Academic Calendar for 2017-2018 has been approved and you can find it at the following link:
<https://www.usafa.edu/app/uploads/AY2017-2018Calendar.pdf>

Curriculum Handbook:
(also outlines summer programs available for cadets in what year):
<https://www.usafa.edu/app/uploads/CHB.pdf>

Cadet Major listing:
<https://www.usafa.edu/academics/majors-minors/>

Cadet Clubs:
(just a listing of clubs and POCs, not a schedule of where they may be):
<https://www.usafa.edu/cadet-life/clubs/>

Cadet Survival Guide: Go to www.usafasupport.com and click Arnold Hall or go to the below link:
<http://nebula.wsimg.com/0c9d0bf12f8b6a1ca725ae69871b531b?AccessKeyId=C7760A2EE485D3702028&disposition=0&alloworigin=1>

Cadet Media:
www.usafasupport.com/cadet-activities/cadet-media

Admissions:
(parents can help us recruit future cadets):
www.academyadmissions.com/

Sports Schedules:
www.goairforcefalcons.com/calendar/events/

Base Cadet Treats (Flower Shop):
(719) 472-8589
petalsnblooms.com

Gift Cards order phone numbers:
Cadet Store (Base Exchange) (719) 472-1953
10 FSS: (719) 472-7930

Hometown News Release (must have CAC card):
<https://jhns.release.dma.mil/public>

Life Touch photos:
POC: Sherri Peloso <http://lifetouch.com/>
1 (800) 426-9533 extension 128 or 241

UPCOMING DATES:

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| 27 Jun 19 | 2023 Class In-Processes |
| 28 Jun 19 | 2023 Swearing In Ceremony, 8:30 – 9:30 am, Parent Field |
| 12 Jul 19 | Field Day (2023 Class) (no parent contact, but parents can watch) |
| 13 Jul 19 | Rodeo (no parent contact) |
| 14 Jul 19 | 2 nd Session Ends/3 rd Session Begins |
| 17 Jul 19 | Prep School In- Processing |
| 20 Jul 19 | DDO (Doolie Day Out) Cadets can call home and will have cell phones |
| 21 Jul 19 | March out to Jack's Valley (Parents can come to cheer C4Cs) |
| 31 Jul 19 | March back from Jack's Valley (Parents can come to cheer C4Cs) |
| 1 Aug 19 | 2023 Class should get laptops |
| 2 Aug 19 | 2023 BCT Graduation (not for parents) Cadet Wing only |
| 3 Aug 19 | 3 rd Session Ends/ BCT ends/Cadet Wing Returns by 7pm |
| 6 Aug 19 | Acceptance Day Parade, 9:00am, parade field |
| 6 Aug 19 | Prep School Classes Begin |
| 8 Aug 19 | Cadet Classes Begin |
| 30 Aug – 2 Sep 19 | 2019 Parents Weekend https://www.usafa.edu/about/traditions/parents-weekend/ |
| 5 Oct 19 | Football Game against NAVY (away) |
| 14 Oct 19 | Columbus Day Holiday (no classes) |
| 2 Nov 19 | Football Game against ARMY (Home) |
| 11 Nov 19 | Veterans Day Holiday (no classes) |
| 26 Nov – 1 Dec 19 | Thanksgiving Break Leave after LMD; return by 7 pm on 1 Dec 19 |
| 9 – 13 Dec 19 | Cadet Finals |
| 16 Dec 19 – 5 Jan 20 | Cadet Winter Break; Return by 7:00pm on 5 Jan 20 |
| 20 Jan 20 | Martin Luther King Holiday (no classes) |
| 17 Feb 20 | Presidents Day Holiday (no classes) |
| 19 – 21 Feb 20 | National Character and Leadership Symposium (NCLS) |
| 12 – 14 Mar 20 | 2023 Recognition |
| 20 – 29 Mar 20 | Cadet Spring Break, released LMD, Return by 7:00pm on 29 Mar 20 |
| 11 – 15 May 20 | Cadet Finals |
| 28 May 20 | 2020 Class Graduates |
| 30 May 20 | 1st Summer Session Begins |
| 20 Jun 20 | 1st Summer Session Ends/ 2nd Summer Session Begins |
| 25 Jun 20 | 2024 Class In-Processes |
| 26 Jun 20 | 2024 Swearing In Ceremony (time TBD) |
| 4 Jul 20 | 4 th of July Holiday (2024 BCT training continues) |
| 31 Jul 20 | 2024 BCT Graduation (not for parents) Cadet Wing only |
| 1 Aug 20 | 3 rd Summer Session Ends/BCT Ends/Cadet Wing Returns by 7:00pm |

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