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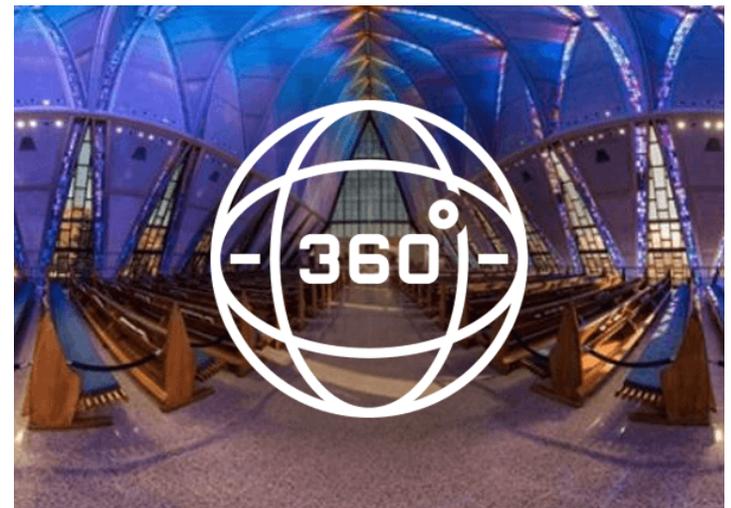
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Cadet Class Statistics (as of 30 Apr 19)

Class Year	Men	Women	Total
2018	3	0	3
2019	751	261	1012
2020	717	292	1009
2021	801	306	1107
2022	846	285	1131
WING	3118	1144	4262

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



Story by Tech. Sgt. Charles Rivezzo, May 22, 2019

U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo. – An auditorium filled with families, friends and faculty celebrated the graduation of 180 Air Force Academy Preparatory School cadet candidates May 20.

The ceremony marked the successful completion of the Prep School’s 10-month curriculum.

Two-hundred-thirty-five cadet candidates were admitted into the Prep School for the 2018-2019 academic year. Of the graduates, 176 received appointments to the Academy and are scheduled to report for Basic Cadet Training in June.

Addressing the audience, Preparatory School commander, Col. Timothy W Thurston II, quoted former President Ronald Reagan when sharing his thoughts about the cadet-candidates’ dedication and commitment to service.

“Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction,” he said. “We didn’t pass it to our children in the bloodstream. It must be fought for, protected, and handed on for them to do the same. Or one day we will spend our sunset years telling our children and our children’s children what it was once like in the United States when men were free.”

Thurston added, “We are training our replacements, we had better get it right.”

Cadet 1st Class Richard Evans, a 2015 Preparatory School graduate and soon-to-be second lieutenant with the Academy’s 2019 graduating class, served as the keynote speaker for the ceremony.

“I remember being in your seats a mere four years ago,” Evans said to the graduates. “My 10-months at the prep school were some of the finest days of my Academy career. Those 10-months are what made all the difference in my success as a cadet on the hill [the Academy].

“Every second of the next four years to come will be worth it,” he continued. “At the same time, every day will demand your absolute best. That is the price we pay for choosing this profession.”

The Preparatory School also honored Cadet Candidate Micah Tice by presenting him with the Preparatory School Class of 2019’s very first graduation certificate.

Tice went missing when hiking in the Rocky Mountain National Park last November.

“Micah pushed not only himself but those around him to be his best,” said Capt. Evan Wise, the graduation ceremony’s emcee. “He was confident, headstrong and loved to compete against his peers in all areas. Micah was the real deal. The total package.”

Prep School’s Class of 2019 award winners

— Overall Outstanding Cadet Candidate: Cadet Candidate Christopher Von Haasl

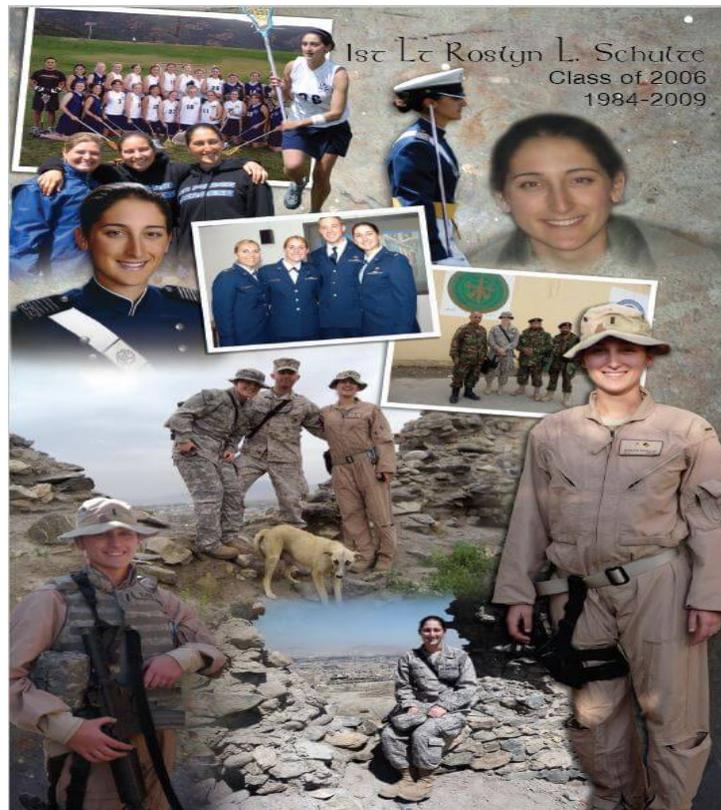
— Outstanding Cadet Candidate in Academics: Cadet Candidate Robert Petersen

— Outstanding Female Cadet Candidate in Athletics: Cadet Candidate Grace Hess

— Outstanding Male Cadet Candidate in Athletics: Cadet Candidate Mason Taylor

— Outstanding Cadet Candidate in Military Training: Cadet Candidate Christopher Von Haasl

— Outstanding Cadet Candidate in Character Development: Cadet Candidate Aric Althouse



Schulte Award marks decade since namesake, Academy graduate killed in Afghanistan

U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo. — On May 20, 2009, 1st Lt. Roslyn ‘Roz’ Littmann Schulte became the first female Air Force Academy graduate to be killed in action in the Global War on Terror. Lt. Schulte and Shawn Montgomery Pine, who was at the time a contractor and retired Army lieutenant colonel, were killed when their convoy was hit by a command wire improvised explosive device.

In honor of their daughter’s sacrifice and legacy, every May since 2010, Bob and Susie Schulte have made a trip to the Air Force Academy to recognize an outstanding first class cadet who embodies Schulte’s

“impeccable character, unwavering leadership, and spirit of service.” This year’s pilgrimage is especially poignant given it marks 10 years since Roz’s passing.

This year’s 1st Lt. Roslyn L. Schulte Cadet Award and Recognition Ceremony will host keynote speaker, retired Army Col. David Astin, who was also a member of their convoy on that fateful day and vowed to never forget the events that transpired that day, nor the sacrifice his sister and brother in arms made.

“Those of us who witnessed the tragic events vowed to never forget the sacrifice of our fallen friends,” Astin said. “As part of that vow, I went to St. Louis in November 2009 — which was roughly three months after my return from Afghanistan — to meet Bob and Susie Schulte, Roz’s parents. They opened their home to me, and we have been friends ever since. I would go beyond that to say I consider them to be family ... They are truly remarkable people, and their generosity of spirit never ceases to amaze me.”

Roz’s indomitable spirit and leadership capability was recognized then by her peers and continues to make meaningful impacts on cadets and fellow members of the profession of arms a decade on after her passing. Her father, Bob, recalled that Roz had always been a natural leader from her days in preschool coordinating parades, to her time as an inspiring teammate and leader on her lacrosse team and Wing Staff at the Academy; and finally, as an intelligence officer. Her father noted that his daughter liked to be in control and that the Academy offered her many opportunities to hone her skills as a leader. When she died, the family received hundreds of letters from those who had served with Roz. The letters noted how “she reacted to them sympathetically – not as a dictator but as a cooperator. She cared about them, she remembered where they were from... You expect to get well written letters from a general or a colonel but not a handwritten letter from the Lance Corporal who guarded the gate at Camp Eggers,” BobSchulte said. “As her teammates and friends stated, ‘We liked to follow Roz. We trusted her, we knew that it would be fun, and we wouldn’t get in trouble.’”

Astin also noted Roz’s continuing legacy and inspired leadership.

“The example Roz set reinforced my belief that inspirational leaders have three common

qualities: competence, commitment and caring,” he said. “Roz had those qualities in abundance, and she was one of the most remarkable junior leaders I have ever known. Simply put, she inspired everyone with whom she served, and that is the true mark of a leader’s success. Leaders don’t divide, they bring people together. Roz continues to do that, a decade after her passing, which speaks volumes about the tremendous impact she had on those who served with her.”

The community honors Roslyn’s legacy at her high school, the John Burroughs School in St. Louis Missouri with a scholarship, as well as an annual Spirit Award for fun activities during the school’s spirit week.

Roz was inducted into the Missouri Lacrosse Hall of Fame in 2018.

This year’s annual 1st Lt Roslyn Schulte Award for Exemplary Cadet Character and Leadership will be held on 28 May in the Center for Character and Leadership, Polaris Hall, and will recognize five cadets who have been nominated for this year’s award.

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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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:

27 May 19	Memorial Day Holiday – No Classes
24 May 19	Ring Dance, 5-8 pm (Class of 2020)
24 -30 May 19	2019 Graduation Week
30 May 19	2019 Graduation
1 Jun 19	1 st Summer Session Begins
22 Jun 19	1 st Session Ends/2 nd Session Begins
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
14 Jul 19	Prep School Prior Enlisted In-Process
17 Jul 19	Prep School In- Processing (non-priors)
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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