



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL BENJAMIN R. SCHEUTZOW

Colonel Benjamin R. Scheutzow is the 409th Air Expeditionary Group Commander at Air Bases 101 & 201, Niger, Africa. In this capacity, he leads over 1,300 Airmen and total force personnel across West Africa as they support U.S. Africa Command and U.S. Air Forces Europe-Air Forces Africa lines of effort to find, fix, and combat violent extremist organizations and strengthen partner force relationships.

Colonel Scheutzow was commissioned through ROTC in 2001 from The Ohio State University and is a distinguished graduate of the HH-60G Pavehawk and MQ-1B Predator formal flying training programs. He has served as an aircraft commander, instructor pilot, evaluator pilot, and command chief pilot under Air Force Special Operations Command, Air Force Material Command, and Air Combat Command. He has served twice as an RPA liaison officer with Joint Special Operations Command. Colonel Scheutzow is a command pilot with over 3,500 flying hours, including 3,050 combat support hours. He has multiple deployments supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Odyssey Resolve, and Operation Enduring Freedom - Juniper Shield.



EDUCATION

2001 Bachelor of Science, Business Administration, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH 2009 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, AL.

2010 Master of Business Administration, Trident University, Cypress, CA.

2012 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, AL.

2021 Master of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies, U.S. Naval War College, Newport, RI

ASSIGNMENTS

1. December 2001 - July 2002, Casual Officer, 11th Medical Airlift Squadron, Scott AFB, Ill.
2. July 2002 - February 2003, Student Pilot, 41st Flying Training Squadron, Columbus AFB, Miss.
3. February 2003 - July 2003, Student Pilot, 23rd Flying Training Squadron, Fort Rucker, Ala.
4. July 2003 - May 2004, HH-60 Student Pilot, 512th Rescue Squadron, Kirtland AFB, New Mexico
5. May 2004 - July 2005, HH-60 Pilot, 66th Rescue Squadron, Nellis AFB, Nev.
6. July 2005 - September 2005, Student Predator Pilot, Det 1 16th Operations Group, Nellis AFB, Nev.
7. September 2005 - January 2010, Evaluator and Instructor Pilot, 3rd Special Operations Squadron, Nellis AFB, Nev.
8. January 2010 - August 2010, Commander, Detachment 2, 3rd Special Operations Squadron, Nellis AFB, Nev.
9. August 2010 - April 2014, Director of Operations, Detachment 3, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, Gray Butte Flight Test Facility, Cal.

10. April 2014 – January 2017, Commander, Detachment 4, 53rd Test Management Group, Creech AFB, Nev.
11. January 2017 – September 2017, Director of Operations, 556th Test & Evaluation Squadron, Creech AFB, Nev.
12. September 2017 – September 2018, Commander, 324th Expeditionary Reconnaissance Squadron, NAS Sigonella, Italy
13. September 2018 – June 2019, Deputy Commander, 53rd Test & Evaluation Group, Nellis AFB, Nev.
14. June 2019 – Aug 2019, Deputy Director of Operations, United States Air Force Warfare Center, Nellis AFB, Nev.
15. Aug 2019 – June 2020, Military Assistant to the Director, Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency, Washington, D.C.
16. June 2020 - July 2021, Student, College of Naval Warfare, U.S. Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island
17. July 2021 - May 2023, Military Professor, Strategy & Policy Department, U.S. Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island
18. May 2023 - Present, Commander, 409th Air Expeditionary Group, Niger, Africa

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Command Pilot

Flight hours: More than 3,500

Aircraft flown: T-37, UH-1, HH-60, MQ-1B and MQ-9A

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

Aug 2019 – June 2020, Military Assistant to the Director, Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency, Washington, D.C.

July 2021 - May 2023, Military Professor, Strategy & Policy Department, U.S. Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant December 21, 2001

First Lieutenant December 21, 2003

Captain December 21, 2005

Major December 01, 2011

Lieutenant Colonel November 01, 2016

Colonel August 01, 2022

(Current as of July 2023)