



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

BRIGADIER GENERAL WILLIAM L. OTTATI

Brig. Gen. William L. Ottati is Portfolio Acquisition Executive and Director for the Mobility Directorate at the Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. He leads more than 1,700 military, civilian, and contractor personnel and is responsible for program execution and executive management for all ACAT I, II, III, and sustainment programs in the Air Force's \$47 billion airlift and tanker aircraft portfolio, to include airlift modernization, futures, C-5, C-17, C-130, KC-46, and KC-135 aircraft.

Brig. Gen. Ottati received his commission from the United States Air Force Academy in June of 1999. During his career, he served as System Program Manager and Senior Materiel Leader for the KC-46 at AFLCMC's Mobility Directorate at Wright-Patterson AFB and was also the Senior Materiel Leader for the International Airborne Battle Management Command and Control (BMC2) Division at Hanscom AFB, Massachusetts. He also served as Materiel Leader and Branch Chief for the C-130J Program, at AFLCMC's Mobility Directorate at Wright-Patterson AFB. Additionally, Brig. Gen. Ottati was a student in the System Design and Management Program at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and prior to that, he was the Military Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Acquisition). His other assignments include tours as a Behavioral Scientist and Human Factors Engineer in the Air Force Research Laboratory, and Flight Commander and Instructor for Basic Officer Training School, where he educated and trained 90 future Air Force officers. He also served as Deputy Commander for Detachment 5 of the Air Force Research Laboratory, as well as the Deputy Chief for the Radio Frequency Radiation Branch of the Directed Energy Bioeffects Division, Human Effectiveness Directorate. He has also held staff assignments as aide-de-camp to the Commander of the Air Force Doctrine Center, and various executive officer positions for the Commander of the 24th Training Squadron, Commander of the 380th Air Expeditionary Wing, and the Air Force Scientific Advisory Board.

Prior to his current assignment, the general was the Program Executive Officer and Director for the Presidential and Executive Airpower Directorate, AFLCMC, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio.

EDUCATION

1999 Bachelor of Science, Behavioral Science (Human Factors Engineering), U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.
2002 Master of Science, Human Factors Engineering, Wright State University, Dayton, Ohio
2006 Squadron Officer School (Top Third Graduate), Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
2009 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
2013 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
2016 System Design and Management Certificate, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge
2017 Program Manager's Course, Defense Acquisition University, Fort Belvoir, Va.
2023 Executive Program Manager's Course, Defense Acquisition University, Fort Belvoir, Va.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. September 1999–March 2003, Human Factors Design Engineer, Information Analysis and Exploitation Branch, Crew Systems Interface Division, Human Effectiveness Directorate, Air Force Research Laboratory, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio
2. March 2003–March 2004, Flight Training Officer, 24th Training Squadron, Officer Training School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.



EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant
June 02, 1999



First Lieutenant
June 02, 2001



Captain
June 02, 2003



Major
December 01, 2008



Lieutenant Colonel
November 01, 2012



Colonel
February 01, 2019



Brigadier General
November 14, 2025



3. March 2004–May 2005, Flight Commander and Executive Officer, 24th Training Squadron, Officer Training School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
4. May 2005–May 2006, Aide-de-Camp to the Commander, Air Force Doctrine Center, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
5. May 2006–June 2009, Deputy Chief and Program Manager, Radio Frequency Radiation Branch, Directed Energy Bioeffects Division, Human Effectiveness Directorate, 711th Human Performance Wing, Air Force Research Laboratory, Brooks City-Base, Texas
6. January 2007–May 2007, Executive Officer, 380th Air Expeditionary Wing, Southwest Asia
7. January 2009–June 2009, Executive Officer, Air Force Scientific Advisory Board, Washington, D.C.
8. June 2009–July 2010, Deputy Commander, Detachment 5, Air Force Research Lab, Brooks City-Base, Texas
9. July 2010–July 2011, Strategic Policy Intern, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
10. July 2011–July 2012, Deputy Scientist Career Field Manager, Acquisition Career Management, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Acquisition), the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
11. July 2012–August 2013, Air Dominance Program Element Monitor, Global Power Programs, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Acquisition), the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
12. January 2013–July 2013, Director of Wing Programs, NATO Air Training Command/438th Air Expeditionary Wing, NATO Training Mission-Afghanistan, Kabul, Afghanistan
13. August 2013–June 2014, F-15 Program Element Monitor, Global Power Programs, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the AF (Acquisition), the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
14. June 2014–July 2015, Military Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of the AF (Acquisition), Office of the Assistant Secretary of the AF (Acquisition), the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
15. July 2015–June 2016, Student, System Design and Management Program, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass.
16. 2106–June 2018, Materiel Leader/Chief, C-130J Program Branch, Mobility Directorate, AFLCMC, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
17. June 2018–July 2019, Deputy Director, Acquisition Career Management, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Acquisition, Technology & Logistics), Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling, Washington, D.C.
18. July 2019–May 2021, Senior Materiel Leader, International Airborne Battle Management Command and Control Division, Program Executive Officer Digital, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, Hanscom AFB, Mass.
19. May 2021–June 2024, KC-46 Division System Program Manager, Mobility Directorate, AFLCMC, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
20. June 2024–June 2026, PEO, Presidential and Executive Airpower Directorate, AFLCMC, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
21. June 2026–present, Portfolio Acquisition Executive and Director, Mobility Directorate, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster
Defense Meritorious Service Medal
Medal Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Air and Space Commendation Medal with three oak leaf clusters
Air and Space Achievement Medal

(Current as of July 2026)

