



## BRIGADIER GENERAL MATTHEW S. CANTORE

Brig. Gen. Matthew S. Cantore is the Deputy Commander, Space Training and Readiness Command, temporarily located at Peterson Space Force Base, Colorado.

Space Training and Readiness Command was established as a Field Command on August 21, 2021, and is responsible for preparing the USSF and more than 8,600 Guardians to prevail in competition and conflict through innovative education, training, doctrine, and test activities.

Brig. Gen. Cantore is a 1998 graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy with a degree in space operations. He is a Master space operations officer and has commanded the 3rd Space Experimentation Squadron, 21st Operations Group, and Space Delta 2.

Brig. Gen. Cantore's staff assignments include positions at The Joint Staff; 14th Air Force and Joint Force Component Command – Space; Headquarters U.S. Air Force; Headquarters Air Force Space Command; Headquarters Space Operations Command; and U.S. Space Command.

Prior to his current position, Brig. Gen. Cantore served as the Chief of Current Operations, at U.S. Space Command.

### EDUCATION

1998 Bachelor of Science, Space Operations, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colo.  
1999 Top Graduate and Distinguished Graduate, Undergraduate Space and Missile Training, and Ballistic Missile Early Warning System Initial Qualification Training, Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif.  
2000 Minuteman III Initial Qualification Training, Vandenberg AFB, Calif. 2003 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.  
2005 Top Graduate and Distinguished Graduate, Space Weapons Instructor Course, U.S. Air Force Weapons School, Nellis AFB, Nev.  
2007 Master of Science, International Relations, Troy University, Troy, Ala.  
2010 Master of Science, Leadership and Joint Campaign Planning, Joint Advanced Warfighting School, Norfolk, Va.  
2017 Distinguished Graduate, Master of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies, Naval War College, Newport, R.I.  
2023 Enterprise Leadership Seminar, Kenan-Flagler Business School, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N.C.

### ASSIGNMENTS

1. August 1998–January 1999, Assistant Executive Officer, Directorate of Operations, 14th Air Force, Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif.
2. January 1999–May 1999, Student, Undergraduate Space/Missile Training, 381st Training Group, Vandenberg AFB, Calif.
3. May 1999–May 2000, Crew Commander and Instructor, 13th Space Warning Squadron, Clear Air Force Station, Alaska
4. May 2000–August 2000, Student, Intercontinental ballistic missile Initial Qualification Training, 381st Training Group, Vandenberg AFB, Calif.
5. August 2000–August 2003, Flight Commander and Evaluator, 741st Missile Squadron, Minot AFB, N.D.
6. September 2003–January 2006, ICBM Test Operations Officer, 576th Flight Test Squadron, Vandenberg AFB, Calif.
7. July 2005–December 2005, Student, Space Weapons Instructor Course, U.S. Air Force Weapons School, Nellis AFB, Nev.
8. February 2006–June 2009, Chief of Space Operations, Executive Officer, and Chief of Forces, 609th Air Operations Group, 9th Air Force and U.S. Air Forces Central Command, Shaw AFB, S.C. (January 2008–May 2008, Weapons Officer, Director of Space Forces, Air Forces Central Command, Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar)
9. July 2009–July 2010, Student, Joint Advanced Warfighting School, Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Va.
10. July 2010–July 2012, Chief, Ops & Plans Branch, Deputy Directorate for Global Operations, Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
11. July 2012–June 2013, Deputy Chief, Combat Operations Division, Joint Space Operations Center and 614th Air Operations Center, Vandenberg AFB, Calif.



Second Lieutenant  
May 27, 1998

First Lieutenant  
May 27, 2000

Captain  
May 27, 2002

Major  
November 01, 2007

Lieutenant Colonel  
October 01, 2012

Colonel  
January 01, 2019

Brigadier General  
February 01, 2024



12. June 2013–February 2015, Commander, 3rd Space Experimentation Squadron, Schriever AFB, Colo.
13. February 2015–May 2016, Executive Officer to Commander, Joint Functional Component Command - Space and 14th AirForce (Air Forces Strategic), Vandenberg AFB, Calif.
14. June 2016–June 2017, Student, College of Naval Warfare, Newport, R.I.
15. June 2017–June 2018, Chief, Eurasia-America Operations Division, Checkmate, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
16. July 2018–April 2019, Chief, Programs Division, Headquarters Air Force Space Command, Peterson AFB, Colo.
17. May 2019–July 2020, Commander, 21st Operations Group, 21st Space Wing, Peterson AFB, Colo.
18. July 2020–June 2021, Commander, Space Delta 2, Space Operations Command, Peterson AFB, Colo.
19. June 2021–July 2023, Director, Combat Power, Deputy Commanding General, Operations, Headquarters Space Operations Command, Peterson Space Force Base, Colo.
20. July 2023–May 2024, Chief, Current Operations Division, Operations Directorate, U.S. Space Command, Peterson SFB, Colo.
21. May 2024–present, Deputy Commander, Space Training and Readiness Command, U.S. Space Force, Peterson SFB, Colo.

#### **SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS**

1. July 2010–July 2012, Chief, Ops & Plans Branch, Deputy Directorate for Global Operations, Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a major
2. July 2012–June 2013, Deputy Chief, Combat Operations Division, Joint Space Operations Center, Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif., as a lieutenant colonel
3. February 2015–May 2016, Executive Officer to Commander, Joint Functional Component Command - Space, Vandenberg AFB, Calif., as a lieutenant colonel
4. July 2023–May 2024, Chief, Current Operations Division, Operations Directorate, U.S. Space Command, Peterson Space Force Base, Colo., as a colonel

#### **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Legion of Merit with one oak leaf cluster  
Defense Meritorious Service Medal  
Meritorious Service Medal with silver oak leaf cluster  
Air and Space Commendation Medal with four oak leaf clusters  
Air and Space Achievement Medal

*(Current as of May 2024)*

