



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT MICHAEL NOLAN

Chief Master Sergeant Michael Nolan is the Senior Enlisted Leader of the 17th Communications Squadron, Goodfellow AFB, Texas. He leads 146 Total Force Airmen to install, operate, maintain, secure, and defend cyber and communications networks and information systems supporting the 17th Training Wing. He leads the squadron's enlisted force and serves as the principal advisor to the commander on all issues concerning morale, health, welfare, training, readiness, effective utilization, and career progression of Airmen. The 17th Communications Squadron provides world-class mission assurance that enables the training of more than 14,000 joint and coalition Intelligence, Surveillance & Reconnaissance, Scientific Applications, and Fire Protection professionals annually.

Chief Nolan enlisted in the Air Force in June 2002. Upon completion of basic training, he attended and graduated from the Air Force's C4 Planning and Implementation Management Technical Training Course in October 2002. He has held joint force management, supervisory, and leadership positions in the communications and cyberspace career fields at the squadron, wing, Major Command, and joint headquarters levels. He has deployed twice in support of OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM and completed two joint overseas tours in the Republic of Korea. Prior to assuming his current position, he served as Senior Enlisted Leader, Cyber & C4 Systems Directorate, Headquarters, Air Force Special Operations Command, Hurlburt Field, Florida.



EDUCATION

- 2002 C4 Systems Technical Training Preparatory Course, Lackland Air Force Base (AFB), Texas
- 2002 C4 Planning and Implementation Management Technical Training Course, Keesler AFB, Miss.
- 2006 Airman Leadership School, Eglin AFB, Fla.
- 2010 CompTia A+ Certification, Andrews AFB, Md.
- 2011 Combat Information Transport Systems Course, Keesler AFB, Miss.
- 2012 CompTia Security+ Certification, Eglin AFB, Fla.
- 2014 Associates of Information Systems, Community College of the Air Force, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Ala.
- 2015 USAF Non-Commissioned Officer Academy, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2015 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education I, National Defense University, by correspondence
- 2019 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education II, National Defense University, by correspondence
- 2020 USAF Senior Non-Commissioned Officer Academy, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Ala.
- 2021 Joint Special Operations Forces Senior Enlisted Academy, Joint Special Operations University, MacDill AFB, Fla.
- 2022 USAF Leader Development Course, Eaker Center, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Ala.
- 2023 USAF Chief Master Sergeant Leadership Course, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Ala.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 2002–July 2002, Basic Trainee, Lackland AFB, Texas
2. July 2002–October 2002, C4 Systems Project Manager Technical Training, Keesler AFB, Miss.
3. October 2002–February 2007, Project Management Specialist, 96th Communications Group, Eglin AFB, Fla.
4. February 2007–April 2011, C4 Systems Project Manager, Headquarters Air Force Office of Special Investigations, Andrews AFB, Md.

5. April 2011–July 2012, Client Systems Technician, Headquarters Air Force Office of Special Investigations, Marine Corps Base Quantico, Va.
6. July 2012–October 2013, Lead Client Systems Technician, 33d Fighter Wing, Eglin AFB, Fla.
7. October 2013–November 2014, Executive Assistant to the Command Chief, 33d Fighter Wing, Eglin AFB, Fla.
8. November 2014–September 2016, Non-commissioned Officer in Charge, Secretary Combined Joint Staff, Headquarters United Nations Command/United States Forces Korea (HQ UNC/USFK), U.S. Army Garrison Yongsan, Republic of Korea
9. September 2016–November 2017, Executive Assistant to the Chief of Staff, HQ UNC/USFK, U.S. Army Garrison Yongsan, Republic of Korea
10. November 2017–June 2018, Section Chief, Air Force Technical Applications Center Service Desk, Cyberspace Capabilities Squadron, Patrick AFB, Fla.
11. June 2018–June 2020, Flight Chief, Cyber Operations, 709th Cyberspace Squadron, Patrick AFB, Fla.
12. June 2020–November 2021, Superintendent, Staff Secretariat, Headquarters, Air Force Special Operations Command, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
13. November 2021–August 2023, Senior Enlisted Leader, Cyber and C4 Systems Directorate, Headquarters, Air Force Special Operations Command, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
14. August 2023–Present, Senior Enlisted Leader, 17th Communications Squadron, Goodfellow AFB, Texas

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster

Joint Service Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Force Achievement Medal

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

2011 Air Force Office of Special Investigations Outstanding Cyberspace Systems Non-Commissioned Officer of the Year

2012 33d Fighter Wing Non-Commissioned Officer of the Year

2019 Air Force Technical Applications Center Lance P. Sijan Senior Non-Commissioned Officer of the Year

2019 Air Force Technical Applications Center Senior Non-Commissioned Officer of the Year

2020 USAF Senior Non-Commissioned Officer Academy Distinguished Graduate

2021 Joint Special Operations Forces Senior Enlisted Academy Honor Graduate

2021 Air Force Special Operations Command Lance P. Sijan Senior Non-Commissioned Officer of the Year

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Chief Master Sergeant Nov. 1, 2023

(Current as of February 2024)