



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT PETER A. FRANCO

Chief Master Sgt. Peter A. Franco is the Superintendent for the 55th Communications Group, Offutt Air Force Base Nebraska. Chief Franco is the Senior Enlisted Leader for Offutt's premier group of cyber professionals responsible for a wide array of base communications and computer systems and services for the 55th Wing and over 49 associate units, including Headquarters United States Strategic Command and the 557th Weather Wing. He also serves as the principal advisor to the commander on military and civilian health, welfare and morale matters, mission readiness, proper utilization of resources and the professional development of over 370 Airmen and over 500 cyber professionals as the base.



Chief Master Sgt. Franco entered the Air Force in March 1997 with his first assignment to Fort Huachuca, Arizona, for Signals Intelligence training. His background includes various career broadening duties as a Signals Intelligence Supervisor, NCOIC of Telephone Systems, Personnel Superintendent, Space Wing Senior Enlisted Advisor, Deputy Chief of Cyber Doctrine, Chief of Air Force Cyber Exercises, Intelligence Squadron Superintendent, and Joint Senior Enlisted Leader in National Security Agency before assuming his current positions.

EDUCATION

2000 Airman Leadership School, Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii
2004 Associate in Communications Applications Technology, Community College of the Air Force, Ala.
2006 Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Kirtland Air Force Base, N.M.
2008 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education (Non-Res), Joint Defense University
2009 Associate of Applied Science in Electronic Systems Technology, Community College of the Air Force, Ala.
2010 Professional Management Certification, Community College of the Air Force, Ala.
2010 Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy, In-Residence Course, Gunter AFB, Ala.
2011 Cyber 300, Joint Advanced Cyberspace Operations, AFIT School of Strategic Force Studies, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
2012 Bachelor of Arts in Organizational Management, Ashford University, Iowa
2017 Chief Leadership Course, In-Residence, Gunter AFB, Ala

ASSIGNMENTS

1. March 1997 – May 1997, trainee, Basic Military Training, Lackland AFB, Texas
2. May 1997 – Nov 1997, student, 314th Training Squadron, Army Intelligence Center, Fort Huachuca, Ariz.
3. Nov 1997 – May 1998, student, 313th Training Squadron, Naval Intelligence School, Corry Air Station, Fla.
4. May 1998 – May 2002, 324th Intelligence Squadron (National Security Agency), Hickam AFB, Hawaii

5. May 2002 – March 2003, 31st Combat Communications Squadron, Air Combat Command, Tinker AFB, Okla.
6. July 2002 – October 2002, student, 344th Training Squadron, Electronic Principles training, Lackland AFB, Texas
7. October 2002 – April 2003, student, 364th Training Squadron, Voice Networks Systems training, Sheppard AFB, Texas
8. April 2003 – April 2006, 60th Communications Squadron, Air Mobility Command, Travis AFB, Calif.
9. April 2006 – April 2010, Space Superiority Systems Wing, Air Force Space Command, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.
10. April 2010 – June 2013, 24th Air Force (AFCYBER), Air Force Space Command, Lackland AFB, Texas
11. July 2013 – July 2015, 39th Communications Squadron, US Air Forces in Europe Command, Incirlik, Turkey
12. July 2015 – May 2018, 531st Intelligence Squadron (National Security Agency), Air Combat Cmd, JBSA, Texas
13. May 2018 – Present, Superintendent, 55th Communications Group, Air Combat Command, Offutt AFB, Neb.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Meritorious Service Medal
Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters
Joint Service Commendation Medal
Air Force Commendation Medal
Army Commendation Medal
Air Force Achievement Medal

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

1997 Samuel F.B. Morse Honor Graduate, Signals Intelligence, Army Intelligence Center, Ariz.
1998 Honor Graduate, Signals Operator, Naval Technical Intelligence School, Fla.
1999 Senior Airman Below-The-Zone, 324th Intelligence Squadron, Hickam AFB, Hawaii
2000 Sensor Olympics Honor Roll, Air Intelligence Agency (4th best 1N2 out of 2000)
2002 Top Graduate, Electronics Principles technical training, Lackland AFB, Texas
2003 Distinguished Graduate, Voice Network Systems technical training, Sheppard AFB, Texas
2007 2E Communications & Information Non-Commissioned Officer of the Year, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.
2008 SNCO of the Year, Space Superiority Systems Wing, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.
2009 Tuskegee Airman of the Year, Space & Missile Systems Center, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.
2009 Lance P. Sijan Leadership Award, Space Superiority Systems Wing, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.
2010 Distinguished Graduate, Air Force SNCO Academy, Gunter AFB, Ala.
2010 SNCO of the Year, HQ 24th Air Force/AFCYBER, Lackland AFB, Texas
2011 Information Dominance SNCO of the Year, 24th Air Force/AFCYBER, Lackland AFB, Texas
2012 Lance P. Sijan Leadership Award, HQ 24th Air Force/AFCYBER, Lackland AFB, Texas
2014 General Jumper Enlisted Professional of the Year Award, 39th Air Base Wing, Incirlik AB, Turkey
2014 Lance P. Sijan Leadership Award, 39th Mission Support Group, Incirlik AB, Turkey

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Chief Master Sergeant – June 1, 2016

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