325th AIR CONTROL SQUADRON



MISSION

The squadron's primary responsibility includes training all U.S. Air Force, Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve officers in command and control mission execution as air battle managers in a variety of weapons systems in support of air expeditionary forces worldwide. Additionally, the squadron provides training for international officers in tactical command and control operations in a coalition environment and provides command and control support for F-15 and F-22 initial and transition training.

The squadron instructs five comprehensive courses. The primary course is the nine-month Undergraduate Air Battle Manger Training course, where officers learn everything from radar theory to large force employment. Graduates of this course receive follow-on assignments to the combat Air Forces to perform air battle management on the E-3 Airborne Warning and Control System or the E-8 Joint Surveillance Targeting Attack Radar System. Additional courses include the Battle Manger Instructor Training Course, which teaches air battle managers from different backgrounds the skills necessary to instruct undergraduate students, and the Air Weapons Officer/Weapons Director Initial Qualification Training Course, which teaches previously qualified air battle managers and weapons directors the art and science of controlling live aircraft. The 325th ACS also conducts the International Air Weapons Controller Course and the Theater Air Operations Course, where officers from around the world are introduced to weapons control and theater air operations.

LINEAGE

325th Fighter Control Squadron constituted, 31 Mar 1943 Activated, 1 Apr 1943 Disbanded, 31 Dec 1944 325th Tactical Training Squadron constituted, 14 Oct 1983 Activated, 15 Oct 1983 Redesignated 325th Training Squadron, 1 Nov 1991

325th Fighter Control Squadron reconstituted and consolidated with the 325th Training Squadron, 15 Jun 1999. Consolidated unit designated 325th Training Squadron.

Redesignated 325th Air Control Squadron, 7 Sep 2001 Inactivated, 2012

STATIONS

Bradley Field, CT, 1 Apr 1943
Suffolk County AAB, NY, 12 Aug-30 Nov 1943
Casablanca, French Morocco, 15 Dec 1943
Nouvion, Algeria, 23 Jan 1944
Alghero, Sardinia, 13 May 1944
Calvi, Corsica, Jun 1944
St. Tropez, France, 1 Sep 1944
Lamanon, France, 18 Sep 1944
Pisa, Italy, 20 Oct 1944
San Petro, Italy, Dec-31 Dec 1944
Tyndall AFB, FL, 15 Oct 1983

ASSIGNMENTS

I Fighter Command, 1 Apr 1943
Twelfth Air Force, 15 Dec 1943
XII Fighter Command, 18 Dec 1943
63rd Fighter Wing, c. 13 May 1944 (under operational control of 210 Group, RAF, Sep-Oct 1944)
560 Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion, 10 Nov-31 Dec 1944
325th Tactical Training Wing, 15 Oct 1983
325th Operations Group, 1 Sep 1991

COMMANDERS

LTC Gary Smith LTC Michael Hagan

HONORS

Service Streamers

None

Campaign Streamers

World War II Rome-Arno Southern France

Rhineland

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

None

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

1 Jun 1983-31 May 1985

1 Jul 1993-30 Jun 1995

1 Jul 1995-30 Jun 1996

1 Jul 1996-30 Jun 1997

1 Jul 1997-30 Jun 1999

1 Jul 1999-30 Jun 2001

1 Jul 2001-30 Jun 2002

1 Jul 2002-30 Jun 2003

1 Jul 2002-30 Jun 2004

EMBLEM

On a disc Azure, a radar screen throughout Sable, surmounted with a flight symbol throughout ascending bendwise of the second overall a bald eagle volant Proper grasping in its talons a torch bendwise Silver Gray flamant Or, all within a diminished border Black. Attached above the disc, a White scroll edged with a narrow Black border and inscribed "325TH TRAINING SQ" in Black letters. Attached below the disc, a White scroll edged with a narrow Black border and inscribed "CARPE IMPERIUM" in Black letters. **SIGNIFICANCE:** Ultramarine blue and Air Force yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. The radar screen, reminiscent of a compass rose, and a flight symbol represent weapons control and training area curriculum of the unit. The bald eagle symbolizes the Squadron's contribution to air power and air superiority through training and education, as signified by the torch. (Approved, 18 May 1999)

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Screamin' Eagles

OPERATIONS

1/27/2012 The 325th Air Control Squadron unveiled its newest building, the Air Control Squadron Operations Training Complex, Jan. 26 with an official ribbon cutting ceremony. The plans for the new facility, which is approximately 36,000 square feet, were initiated back in 2004. However, it was not until 2007 when the push began. "The project was forwarded to the Air Education and Training Command for consideration on April 5, 2007 at the request of the ACS to consolidate like functions of the ACS schoolhouse, and remove outdates and improperly sized facilities within the ACS complex," said 1st Lt. David Schoendardt, 325th Civil Engineer Squadron deputy of project management section. "The design work began on December 11, 2008."

The first ground was broken in October of 2009, with the main focus being on creating an energy efficient structure. "The building contains at least 33 Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design certification points for Sustainable Design and currently estimating 56 points and pursuing LEED Silver Certification," said Lieutenant Schoendardt. "This improves the facility's environmental impact and reduces utility burden on the base. The total cost for the project ran approximately \$8.5 million. While being environmentally friendly, the facility also houses several new training areas.

"It combines two out of date existing buildings into one," said Captain Bryan Minatel, 325th Chief of current operations. "It houses five operations rooms used for live and simulation events, totaling 18 classrooms that will be used for briefings, lectures and debriefings. It has a 195-seat capacity auditorium that contains the latest in presentation equipment, as well as the capability to watch missions as they happen in almost real-time." It also holds the offices of the director of operations and his staff, Weapons and Tactics, Intel, Current Operations, training, scheduling, Training and Development, small computers and our International students and cadre. "The addition of the new building allows for much needed upgrades and room to grow," said Captain Minatel. "In turn, we are now able to produce a better product (Air Battle Managers) for the Air Force. Everyone in the squadron is excited to start working in the facility."

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Sources

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