

BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

ANITA H. THOMAS, GS-11

Mrs. Thomas is a Continuation Training Instructor, Faculty Development Flight, 81st Training Support Squadron, Keesler Air Force Base, Miss. Mrs Thomas teaches the Instructor/Developer of Online Learning (IDOL) course. Mrs. Thomas was born in Eniburgh, Scotland, UK. She came to the United States at the age of 18 months with her father who was stationed at Brooks AFB, Texas. She graduated from Gosnell High School in 1984 and enrolled at Jefferson Davis Community College where she majored in Marketing. After enlisting in the Air Force, she finished her Bachelors in Occupational Education and went on to persue a dual Masters in Early Childhood Education/Educational Leadership.

In 1987 she began her Air Force career in Supply Management (2S0X1) in the Air Force Reserves at Keesler AFB. One year later she went active duty and served in the supply career field for ten years. In 2000 because of force shaping she retrained into Education and Trainng (3S2X1) and stayed in that career field for ten years. In 2005 she volunteered to be an instructor for her career field and after Hurrican Katrina she was assigned to Keesler AFB to the Education & Training Apprentice Course. After serving 21 years in the Air Force she retired in August 2009.

She has two children, one daughter Jordyn, who attends college at Southern University in Baton Rouge, Lousiana and a son Jalen, who is a SSgt in the United States Air Force stationed at McChord AFB, WA.



EDUCATION

1998 Community College of the Air Force (CCAF) Logistics

2000 CCAF Instructor of Technology & Military Science

2003 CCAF Education and Training Management

2003 Bachelors of Science Occupational Education, Wayland Baptist University

2008 Dual Masters of Education in Early Childhood Education and Educational Leadership, TUI University

CAREER CHRONOLOGY

- 1. Keesler AFB, MS 1988 1989 (Base supply)
- 2. Osan AB, Korea 1989 1990 (51st LRS Vehicle Maintenance)
- 3. Warner Robins AFB, GA 1990 1994 (653rd Combat Logistics Support Squadron)
- 4. Columbus AFB, MS 1994 1996 (14th LRS)
- 5. Lackland AFB, TX 1996 2000 (345th Training Squadron, Logistics Schoolhouse)
- 6. Lackland AFB, TX 2000 2002 (59th Medical Wing Training Manager, Wilford Hall)
- 7. Lackland AFB, TX, 2002 (37th Training Support Squadron)
- 8. Ft. Belvoir, VA 2003 2005 (Defense Treat Reduction Agency)
- 9. Keesler AFB, MS 2005 Present (81st TRSS Faculty Development, Instructional Methods Instructor)

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Meritorious Service Medal Meritorious Service Medal Air Force Commendation Medal (4) Joint Service Achievement Medal Air Force Achievement Medal (1) Joint Meritorious Unit Award AF Outstanding Unit Award (7) National Defense Service Medal (1) Global War on Terrorism Service Medal Korean Defense Service Medal AF Overseas Ribbon Short

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

2000 CCAF Instructor Certification Level I and Level II 2000 Master Instructor 2020 81st Training Group Civilian Instructor of the Quarter (Oct – Dec)

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

GS-9 28 May 2019 GS-11 17 January 2021 - Present (Current as of Sept 2021)