



BIOGRAPHY

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, USAF

KURT D. HIGGINS, GS-13

Mr. Higgins is an Instructional System Specialist currently working as the Chief of the Faculty Development in the 81 Training Support Flight. Mr. Higgins was born in Chicago, Illinois, but later moved to Greenville, Mississippi. He graduated from Greenville High School in 1983. In 1983 he enrolled in the Industrial Technology program at Mississippi Valley State University with emphasis on Electronics. During the spring semester of 1986 he was selected for an internship program at Keesler Air Force Base, working as an Electronics Warfare Instructor. In 1988 he graduated from Mississippi Valley State University and started working full time for the Department of the Air Force.

While attending MVSU, Mr. Higgins pledged Delta Phi Chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. during the Fall of 1984. Mr. Higgins has been a member of Gamma Mu Sigma Chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Inc. since 1992, where he has served as the In-Take Chairman, over the Bro. Calvin B. Glover Scholarship Committee and the Budget Committee Chairperson. Mr. Higgins also serves as the Chairman on the Board of Directors for the MVSU Harrison County Foundation and Chapter President for the MVSU Harrison County Alumni Chapter. He also serves as a Trustee and Sunday School Teacher for Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church of D'Iberville, Mississippi.

He is married to Dr. Sandra Lawson Higgins, formerly of Okolona, Mississippi; they have two children; Alexis and Marcus.



EDUCATION

1988 Bachelors of Science in Industrial Tech (Electronics), Mississippi Valley State University, Itta Bena, Miss.
1994 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Alabama
1999 Master of Science Technology Occupation Education, University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, Miss.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. Apr 2020 - Present, Chief of Faculty Development, 81st Training Support Flight, Keesler AFB, Miss.
2. Jan 2016 – Apr 2020, Chief Training Evaluations, 81st Training Group, Keesler AFB, Miss.
3. Sep 2014 – Jan 2016, Training Evaluator, 81st Training Group, Keesler AFB, Miss.
4. Oct 2008 – Sep 2014, Chief of Standards and Evaluation, 81st Training Group, Keesler AFB, Miss.
5. Apr 2006 – Oct 2008, Training Development Element Chief, 338th Training Squadron, Ground Radio Training Flight, Keesler AFB, Miss.
6. Sep 2004 – Apr 2006, Training Development Element Chief, 338th Training Squadron, Special Training and Technologies Flight, Keesler AFB, Miss.
7. Sep 2000 – Sep 2004, Training Manager, 338th Training Squadron, Ground Radio, Keesler AFB, Miss.
8. Sep 1999 - Sep 2000, Evaluator, 81st Training Group, Keesler AFB, Miss.
9. Sep 1997 – Sep 1999, Training Specialist, Personnel Officers course, Military Personnel Flight Commander's course, and the Personnel System Management Apprentice/Craftsman courses, 335th Training Squadron, Keesler AFB, Miss.
10. Sep 1996 - Sep 1997, Instructor of Faculty Development Flight, 81st Training Support Squadron, Keesler AFB, Miss.
11. Jan 1986 - Sep 1996, Instructor of Electronic Warfare Flight, 332nd Training Squadron, Keesler AFB, Miss.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Performance Award

Letter/Certificate of Commendation

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award

Air Force Civilian Achievement Award

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award

Air Force Civilian Achievement Award

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

1996 81st Training Group Civilian Instructor of the Year

1996 81st Training Support Squadron Civilian Instructor of the Year

1997 81st Training Group Civilian Instructor of the Quarter (Apr – Jun)

1998 335th Sr. Civilian of the Year

2002 Team Keesler GS 9 – 14 of the Quarter (Jul – Sep)

2006 338th Sr. Civilian of the Quarter

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

GS-9	7 Jun 1988
GS-11	1 Sep 1997
GS-12	10 Sep 2000
GS-13	24 Jan 2016

(Current as of Dec 2020)