



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

MAJOR ALEXANDER G. FOGASSY

Major Alexander G. Fogassy is currently finishing his third year of the “AY21 CSAF Captains’ Prestigious PhD Program,” studying for a PhD in philosophy at the University of Oxford, United Kingdom. Maj Fogassy was selected for the CSAF program in August of 2020 while stationed at Eielson AFB Alaska, where he flew and instructed in the F-16 as a member of the 18th Aggressor Squadron. He began studies in Oxford the start of academic year 2021, and his research examines the philosophical topic of *intelligence* from a particular perspective, an examination which has direct applicability to the conversation around artificial intelligence, especially artificial-general-intelligence.

Major Fogassy holds a Bachelor of Science degree in astronautical engineering from the United States Air Force Academy, where he graduated from in 2012 (with a minor in Arabic). Upon graduation, he went to undergraduate pilot training at Vance AFB, Oklahoma, and graduated in October 2013. Shortly thereafter he proceeded to F-16 basic course in Tucson, Arizona, and graduated in March 2015. He was then assigned to his first operational fighter squadron and spent 2015-2018 flying with the 77th Fighter Squadron, Shaw AFB South Carolina. During this assignment Maj Fogassy upgraded to 4-ship flight lead, and then upgraded to Mission Commander. In the fall-winter of 2017, Maj Fogassy deployed with the 77th to Bagram AB, Afghanistan, and performed combat missions in support of OPERATION FREEDOM’S SENTINAL and OPERATION NATO RESOLUTE SUPPORT. Shortly after returning from deployment, Maj Fogassy completed Squadron Officer School at Maxwell AFB while enroute to Eielson AFB, Alaska. At Eielson, Maj Fogassy served as an F-16 Aggressor pilot with the 18th Aggressor squadron, whose primary mission is Red Flag Alaska. He upgraded through the Aggressor qualifications to include Red Mission Commander (MiG-1), Subject Matter Expert (in Chinese Air Force Doctrine), and F-16 Instructor Pilot. During this assignment, Maj Fogassy led red forces in support of the home-station large force exercise Red Flag Alaska and Northern Edge, as well as overseas while TDY as part of Cope North (Andersen AFB, Guam), Diamond Shield (RAAF Base Williamtown, NSW Australia), and Pacific Raptor (Hickam AFB, Hawaii). Additionally, from October 2020 until departing Eielson, Maj Fogassy was the Assistant Director of Operations for the 354 Range Squadron and served as the Eielson Range Lead for exercise Northern Edge 2021.

EDUCATION

2012 Bachelor of Science, Astronautical Engineering; USAF Academy, Colorado Springs, CO.
2018 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, AL
2020 Master of Arts, Philosophy and Apologetics; Southern California Bible College and Seminary, El Cajon, CA, by correspondence
2022 Master of Studies, Philosophy (Science & Religion); University of Oxford, Oxford, UK
2024 (Expected), Doctor of Philosophy, Philosophy; University of Oxford, Oxford City, UK
2024 (Expected) Air Command and Staff College (by correspondence), Maxwell AFB, AL

ASSIGNMENTS

1. July 12 – March 14, Student, Joint Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training (SUPT), Vance AFB, OK
2. April 14 – April 15, F-16 Student Pilot, 152nd Fighter Squadron, Tucson INTL, AZ
3. May 15 – Aug 16, F-16 Pilot, Asst Chief of Scheduling, 77th Fighter Squadron, Shaw AFB, SC

4. Aug 16 – Feb 17, F-16 Pilot, Squadron Electronic Combat Pilot (ECP), 77th Fighter Squadron, Shaw AFB, SC
5. Feb 17 – June 17, F-16 Flight Lead, Squadron ECP, 77th Fighter Squadron, Shaw AFB, SC
6. July 17 – May 18, F-16 Flight Lead, Chief of Inspections, 77th Fighter Squadron, Shaw AFB, SC
7. May 18 – June 19, F-16 Aggressor Pilot/Flight Lead, Chief of Scheduling, 18th Aggressor Squadron, Eielson AFB, AK
8. June 19 – Jun 20, F-16 Aggressor Flight Lead, A-Flight Commander, 18th Aggressor Squadron, Eielson AFB, AK
9. Jun 20 – Sept 20, F-16 Instructor Pilot, A-Flight Commander, 18th Aggressor Squadron, Eielson AFB, AK
10. Oct 20 – Aug 21, F-16 Instructor Pilot, Assistant Director of Operations, 354th Range Squadron, Eielson AFB, AK
11. Sep 21 – Current, CSAF PhD Scholar, AFIT-CI, University of Oxford, United Kingdom

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Ratings: Senior Pilot

Flight Hours: Over 1200

Aircraft Flown: T-38C, F-16C/D

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Air Medal

Air Force Commendation Medal (one oak leaf cluster)

Red Flag 15-4 "Outstanding Wingman" (#1/9), September 2015

First Quarter Top Squadron Wingman (#1/10), 2016

Fourth Quarter Top Squadron CGO (#1/18), 2018

Diamond Shield Superior Performer, 2019

Cope North Superior Performer, 2019

Honors Graduate, University of Oxford, Master of Studies degree (Merit), 2022

Top Offensive/Defensive Lineman, University of Oxford American Football Club, 2022

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

2nd Lieutenant, 23 May 2012

1st Lieutenant, 23 May 2014

Captain, 23 May 2016

Major, 1 May 2022

(Current as of March 2024)