

# AF AIR FORCE LACROSSE 2022

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Overall Record: 0-0

ASUN: 0-0

Home: 0-0 | Road: 0-0 | Neutral: 0-0

## SCHEDULE & RESULTS

02/05 at #1 Virginia..... 1 ET  
 02/12 at Denver..... 12 MT  
 02/19 at Colgate..... 12 ET  
 02/26 CANISIUS..... 12 MT  
 02/27 JACKSONVILLE..... 12 MT

03/05 MARIST..... 12 MT  
 03/12 at Bryant..... 12 ET  
 03/19 at Mercer..... 12 ET  
 03/26 at Marquette..... 12 CT

04/02 UTAH\*..... 12 MT  
 04/09 at Detroit Mercy\*..... 12 ET  
 04/16 CLEVELAND STATE\*..... 12 MT  
 04/23 at Robert Morris\*..... 12 ET  
 04/30 BELLARMINE\*..... 12 MT

05/5-7 ASUN Tournament..... TBD

All times are local to host site

\* ASUN Contest | ^ ASUN Tournament (Huntsville, AL)

Home games are in **BOLD CAPS**

## QUICK FACTS

### GENERAL INFORMATION

Location.....USAF Academy, Colo.  
 Founded.....1954  
 Enrollment.....4,000  
 Nickname.....Falcons  
 Colors.....Blue and Silver  
 Affiliation.....NCAA Division I  
 Superintendent.....Lt. Gen. Richard M. Clarke  
 Athletic Director.....Nate Pine

### COACHING STAFF

Head Coach.....Bill Wilson  
 Season/Years.....4th season as HC, 13th at Air Force  
 Alma Mater.....Loyola (MD) '94  
 Office Phone.....(719) 333-7544  
 Air Force Record (Yrs).....22-26 / 3  
 DI Career Record (Yrs).....63-68 / 8  
 Assistant Coaches.....Jon Thompson (Brown '03)  
 .....Doug Murray (Notre Dame '92)

### TEAM INFORMATION

Home Venue.....Falcon Stadium  
 Seating Capacity.....46,692  
 Conference.....SoCon  
 2021 Overall Record.....4-9  
 2021 SoCon Record.....3-3  
 Letterwinners R/L.....30/17  
 Starters R/L.....6/4  
 Newcomers.....16  
 Team Captains.....Quentin Carlile, Brian Michael

### TEAM HISTORY

First Year.....1967  
 All-Time Record.....410-305 (.575)  
 NCAA Tournament Appearances.....5 (1977, '88, 2014, '16, '17)  
 NCAA Tournament Record.....1-5  
 All-Americans.....14 (16 times)  
 .....First-Team (2), Third-Team (1), Honorable mention (13)

## GAME 01

AIR FORCE (0-0) at No. 1 VIRGINIA (0-0)

11 a.m. ET, Saturday, February 5

Klöckner Stadium, Charlottesville, VA

Air Force opens the 2022 regular season against defending 2021 NCAA champions, No. 1 Virginia, Saturday morning, in Charlottesville, Virginia. The Cavaliers have won two straight NCAA titles.

## LEADING FROM THE FRONT

Air Force seniors Quentin Carlile and Brian Michael have been selected to captain the 2022 Falcons. Carlile is a two-time All-SOCON selection and a preseason All-ASUN selection, while Michael, with great charisma, was the leading face off man in 2021.

## WELCOME BACK

Air Force returns six starters and 30 letter-winners from last season, highlighted by senior defender Quentin Carlile and 2021 leading scorers Ethan Grandolfo and Brenden Crouse.

The Air Force offense also returns junior attack man Brandon Dodd, who put himself on the map after going off on Duke at Koskinen Stadium (Feb. 1, 2020) in his freshman season. Dodd scored four goals and four assists in his collegiate opener, leading the Falcons to an upset victory. Dodd battled injury most of last season but is expected to be game ready at the open of 2022.

The Air Force defense returns 2022 preseason All-ASUN selection, Quentin Carlile, who was twice tabbed All-SOCON team. Q, as he is referred to by teammates, is responsible for the most career caused turnovers on the squad. Carlile is joined by sophomore defenders Chris Bardak and James Chastain who both played in all 13 games as freshmen, last season. The young duo combined for 24 caused turnovers in 2021.

In goal, the Falcons return Jason Rose who appeared in nine games, played eight games as goalie and started in goal the last four games. Rose was SOCON Defensive Player of the Week (Apr. 3) for a stellar game in the win against No. 15 Richmond, he earned USILA DI Team of the Week for the same performance. A 2021 SOCON All-Tournament Team selection, Rose maintained a 10.41 GAA and a .526 save percentage.

## WELCOME TO THE ASUN

The ASUN Conference proudly announced the formation of ASUN Men's Lacrosse. This is the second time in nine years that the ASUN has built a new Men's Lacrosse conference. The partnership with the Southern Conference continues as the ASUN again builds opportunities for student-athletes.

The ASUN first built a Men's Lacrosse conference in Fall 2012 when it announced ASUN Men's Lacrosse with a founding membership of Furman, High Point, Jacksonville, Mercer, Richmond, and VMI. That group began play in the 2013-14 season and the Richmond Spiders earned an automatic bid into the NCAA Championship. Today, the ASUN announces a new group of six that includes Air Force, Bellarmine, Cleveland State, Detroit Mercy, Robert Morris, and Utah.

**PRESEASON ASUN SELECTIONS**

<b>Pl.</b>	<b>Team (1st-Place)</b>	<b>Points</b>
1.	<b>Air Force (3)</b>	<b>31</b>
1.	Utah (2)	31
3.	Robert Morris (1)	22
4.	Bellarmino	17
5.	Detroit Mercy	13
6.	Cleveland State	11

<b>Pos.</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>School</b>
GK	JC Higginbotham*	Bellarmino
D	Jon Robbins*	Bellarmino
<b>D</b>	<b>Quentin Carlile, Air Force</b>	
D	Owen Down, Robert Morris	
D	Samuel Cambere, Utah	
MF	Jake Boudreau*, Robert Morris	
<b>MF</b>	<b>Brenden Crouse, Air Force</b>	
MF	Benny O'Rourke, Bellarmine	
MF	Paul Manuszak, Detroit Mercy	
A	Corson Kealey*, Robert Morris	
A	Brett Erskine, Detroit Mercy	
A	Tyler Bradbury, Utah	

\*Unanimous selection

**2021 AWARDS & HONORS**

**Ethan Grandolfo**  
SOCON Offensive POTW - Apr. 20  
SOCON All-Freshman\*

**Tommy Hellman**  
SOCON All-Tournament Team

**Jason Rose**  
SOCON Defensive POTW - May 3  
USILA DI Team of the Week - May 3  
SOCON All-Tournament Team

**Quentin Carlile**  
All-SOCON (First-team)

**Brenden Crouse**  
All-SOCON (Second-team)

*\* Student-athletes that would have been eligible for all-freshman consideration last year before the season was curtailed by the coronavirus pandemic are eligible to be considered for this season's all-freshman awards.*

**THE HARD WAY**

Air Force's first four games of 2022 come against perennial top-15 teams. The Falcons played exhibitions against No. 5 Notre Dame and No. 4 North Carolina in late January. They continue the difficult path against back-to-back national champs No. 1 Virginia in the season opener, and follow up with an always-tough No. 12 Denver, January 12.

**AT THE HELM**

Bill Wilson enters his fourth season as the head lacrosse coach at Air Force in the 2022 season. Wilson, who served as the interim head coach in the 2018 season and took the helm of the program in 2019, has 13 years coaching experience at the Academy. He is 22-26 in three seasons as Air Force's head coach and is 63-68 in nine career years as a head coach.

**2021 SEASON RECAP**

Air Force lacrosse concluded the 2021 season with a 4-9 overall record and a 3-3 mark in the league. The Falcons made their fourth SOCON Tournament appearance in five seasons with the league. Air Force will be moving to the ASUN Conference in 2022. Three Falcons earned SOCON post-season honors in All-SOCON first-team selection Quentin Carlile, second-team selection Brenden Crouse. Ethan Grandolfo earned an All-Freshmen team nod for achievements in the cancelled 2020 campaign.

**STAFF ADDITIONS**

Air Force's leading all-time leading face-off man, Trent Harper, has joined the staff as a volunteer assistant coach while serving in the Air Force in Colorado Springs. Harper was a two-time first-team All-SOCON face off man and holds the Academy record for career face off wins (550, 2016-2019)

**REPORTING FOR DUTY**

The Falcons added 16 newcomers to the squad in 2022. Word around the practice field is some of these freshmen will see action early on.

**PRESEASON ASUN**

The ASUN Conference office has announced its 2022 Men's Lacrosse Preseason All-Conference awards Wednesday as voted on by the league's six head coaches. Air Force and Utah are expected to battle for the ASUN crown after both programs tied with 31 overall votes in the Preseason Coaches Poll.

The Falcons received three first-place nods while the Utes pulled in two and Robert Morris collected the final tally in the third position in the poll. Bellarmine is projected to finish in fourth place while Detroit Mercy and Cleveland State round out the rankings.

Robert Morris' Corson Kealey was selected as the ASUN Preseason Player of the Year, while the rest of the preseason superlatives were awarded to Jon Robbins of Bellarmine (Unanimous Preseason Defensive Player of the Year) and Robert Morris' Jake Boudreau (Preseason Midfielder of the Year).

**AIR FORCE AS CHAMPIONS****2019**

Southern Conference  
Regular Season Co-Champions

**2017**

Southern Conference  
Regular Season Champions

Southern Conference  
Tournament Champions

NCAA Tournament - First Round

**2016**

Southern Conference  
Regular Season Champions

Southern Conference  
Tournament Champions

NCAA Tournament - First Round

Program record 15 win season

**2014**

Eastern College Athletic Conference  
Regular Season Co-Champions

Eastern College Athletic Conference  
Tournament Champions

NCAA Play-In Victory  
NCAA Tournament - First Round

**ACTIVE CAREER LEADERS**

Goals - Ethan Grandolfo (31)

Assists -Brandon Dodd (19)

Points - Ethan Grandolfo (47)

Games Started - Quentin Carlile (30)

Games Played - Quentin Carlile (33)

Caused Turnovers - Quentin Carlile (54)

Ground Balls - Quentin Carlile (77)

Single-Game Points

Brandon Dodd (8, 2020, at Duke)  
Ethan Grandolfo (8, 2021, vs. VMI)

Single-Game Goals

Ethan Grandolfo (6, 2021, vs. VMI)  
Brenden Crouse (6, 2021, vs. VMI)

Single-Game Assists

Brandon Dodd (4, 2010, at Duke)

Single-Game Saves

Braden Host (19, 2019, at Yale)  
Jason Rose (14, 2021, at Virginia)

**Air Force Lacrosse**  
**Air Force Combined Team Statistics**  
**All games (as of May 13, 2021)**

<b>RECORD:</b>	<b>OVERALL</b>	<b>HOME</b>	<b>AWAY</b>	<b>NEUTRAL</b>
ALL GAMES	4-9	2-4	2-5	0-0
CONFERENCE	3-3	1-2	2-1	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	1-6	1-2	0-4	0-0

Date	Opponent		Score	Att.	##	PLAYER	GP	G	A	Pts	Sh	Up	Dn	GB	Faceoff																			
Feb 13	#10 DENVER	L	6-15	0	40	Ethan Grandolfo	12	23	10	33	82	0	0	18	0-0																			
Feb 20	UTAH	Wot	10-9	175	18	Brenden Crouse	13	14	9	23	87	1	0	19	18-34																			
Feb 27	at #2 Duke	L	7-17	0	23	Matthew O'Rourk	12	11	10	21	41	2	0	13	0-0																			
Mar 06	at #8 Virginia	L	4-20	244	4	Quincy Peene	13	9	9	18	69	0	0	16	0-0																			
Mar 13	ROBERT MORRIS	L	13-14	25	5	Aidan Tolen	12	11	6	17	43	1	0	7	0-0																			
Mar 20	at #1 North Carolina	L	5-15	892	43	Ben Ward	7	13	0	13	27	2	0	2	0-0																			
Mar 27	at Bellarmine	W	8-6	248	1	August Johnson	8	11	2	13	38	2	0	6	0-0																			
Apr 03	MERCER	L	13-15	175	55	Chase Douglas	13	3	4	7	14	0	0	6	0-0																			
Apr 10	at Jacksonville	L	5-11	419	45	Brandon Dodd	5	3	3	6	20	0	0	1	0-0																			
Apr 17	VMI	W	18-4	150	24	Gavin Peene	11	2	3	5	15	0	0	1	0-0																			
Apr 24	HIGH POINT	L	8-13	175	12	Tommy Hellman	13	2	2	4	8	1	0	26	0-0																			
May 01	at #15 Richmond	W	9-8	1000	3	Chad Teresky	9	1	3	4	12	0	0	0	0-0																			
May 05	at #18 Richmond	L	6-11	1000	17	Chris Bardak	13	2	1	3	2	0	0	37	0-0																			
					9	Gianni Orlando	11	2	0	2	14	0	0	3	0-0																			
					13	Dante Orlando	9	2	0	2	10	0	0	2	0-0																			
					22	Mike Matheson	7	1	1	2	7	0	0	4	0-0																			
					28	Brian Michael	12	1	1	2	1	0	1	33	65-133																			
					19	Braden Host	9	0	2	2	2	0	0	15	0-0																			
					26	Sterling Ceshker	13	1	0	1	7	0	0	30	1-5																			
					44	Vince Lombardi	8	0	1	1	3	0	0	17	0-0																			
					34	Quentin Carlile	13	0	1	1	0	0	0	29	0-0																			
					11	Dylan Frankhouser	13	0	1	1	0	0	0	27	64-138																			
					42	Christian Marshall	9	0	0	0	4	0	0	2	0-0																			
					39	Cooper Rich	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0-0																			
					33	Jason Rose	9	0	0	0	1	0	0	12	0-0																			
					0	Shad Bruce	7	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0-0																			
					56	Josh Taus	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0																			
					51	Robbie Lionetti	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0																			
					50	Nick Capannelli	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1-1																			
					46	Quinn Richards	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0-0																			
					41	Dodson Piotrowski	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0-0																			
					38	Nile Owens	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-1																			
					37	Teddy Accardi	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0																			
					35	Ian Mullins	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0																			
					32	Maxwell Kane	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0																			
					30	Ian Rodriguez	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0																			
					29	Braden Gaab	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1-1																			
					27	Mitchell Gruenewald	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0-0																			
					25	James Chastain	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	0-0																			
					20	Joey Matheson	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0																			
					16	Jack Stewart	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0																			
					15	Sam Ewing	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0-0																			
					14	Collin O'Brien	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0-0																			
					10	Chandler Devaney	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0-0																			
					8	Cole Grindberg	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0																			
					7	Noah Schwab	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0																			
					6	Joe Kassal	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0																			
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					Opponents		13	158	111	269	521	26	0	414	163-313																			
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					33	Jason Rose	8	316:53	55	10.41	61	.526	2-2-0																					
					7	Noah Schwab	1	4:45	1	12.63	3	.750	0-0-0																					
					19	Braden Host	9	460:47	102	13.28	90	.469	2-6-0																					
					Total		13	782:25	158	12.12	155	.495	4-8-0																					
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**Air Force Lacrosse**  
**Air Force Category Leaders**  
**All games (as of May 13, 2021)**

##	Points	GP	G	A	Pts	Shots
40	Ethan Grandolfo	12	23	10	33	82
18	Brenden Crouse	13	14	9	23	87
23	Matthew O'Rourke	12	11	10	21	41
4	Quincy Peene	13	9	9	18	69
5	Aidan Tolen	12	11	6	17	43

##	Goals	GP	G	A	Pts	Shots
40	Ethan Grandolfo	12	23	10	33	82
18	Brenden Crouse	13	14	9	23	87
43	Ben Ward	7	13	0	13	27
1	August Johnson	8	11	2	13	38
5	Aidan Tolen	12	11	6	17	43

##	Assists	GP	G	A	Pts	Shots
23	Matthew O'Rourke	12	11	10	21	41
40	Ethan Grandolfo	12	23	10	33	82
18	Brenden Crouse	13	14	9	23	87
4	Quincy Peene	13	9	9	18	69
5	Aidan Tolen	12	11	6	17	43

##	Ground Balls	GP	No.
17	Chris Bardak	13	37
28	Brian Michael	12	33
26	Sterling Ceshker	13	30
34	Quentin Carlile	13	29
11	Dylan Frankhouser	13	27

##	Man-Up Goals	GP	No.
43	Ben Ward	7	2
23	Matthew O'Rourke	12	2
1	August Johnson	8	2
5	Aidan Tolen	12	1
12	Tommy Hellman	13	1

##	Man-Down Goals	GP	No.
28	Brian Michael	12	1

##	Faceoff Pct.	GP	Won	Att	Pct.
18	Brenden Crouse	13	18	34	.529
28	Brian Michael	12	65	133	.489
11	Dylan Frankhouser	13	64	138	.464

##	Shots	GP	G	A	Shots	Shot%
18	Brenden Crouse	13	14	9	87	.161
40	Ethan Grandolfo	12	23	10	82	.280
4	Quincy Peene	13	9	9	69	.130
5	Aidan Tolen	12	11	6	43	.256
23	Matthew O'Rourke	12	11	10	41	.268

##	Shot Pct.	GP	G	A	Shots	Shot%
17	Chris Bardak	13	2	1	2	1.000
28	Brian Michael	12	1	1	1	1.000
43	Ben Ward	7	13	0	27	.481
1	August Johnson	8	11	2	38	.289
40	Ethan Grandolfo	12	23	10	82	.280

##	Shots on Goal	GP	G	A	Shots	SOG	SOG%
40	Ethan Grandolfo	12	23	10	82	45	.549
18	Brenden Crouse	13	14	9	87	39	.448
4	Quincy Peene	13	9	9	69	37	.536
5	Aidan Tolen	12	11	6	43	31	.721
43	Ben Ward	7	13	0	27	21	.778

##	Shots on Goal Pct.	GP	G	A	Shots	SOG	SOG%
17	Chris Bardak	13	2	1	2	2	1.000
28	Brian Michael	12	1	1	1	1	1.000
43	Ben Ward	7	13	0	27	21	.778
5	Aidan Tolen	12	11	6	43	31	.721
22	Mike Matheson	7	1	1	7	5	.714

##	Caused Turnovers	GP	No.
34	Quentin Carlile	13	23
17	Chris Bardak	13	13
44	Vince Lombardi	8	12
25	James Chastain	13	11
33	Jason Rose	9	6

##	Penalties	GP	No.
44	Vince Lombardi	8	10
17	Chris Bardak	13	5
25	James Chastain	13	5
28	Brian Michael	12	4
5	Aidan Tolen	12	4

##	Penalty Minutes	GP	No.
44	Vince Lombardi	8	11.0
28	Brian Michael	12	5.0
17	Chris Bardak	13	4.5
5	Aidan Tolen	12	3.5
25	James Chastain	13	3.5



**Air Force Team High/Low Analysis**  
**All games (as of May 13, 2021)**

**Air Force - TEAM GAME HIGHS**

POINTS	28	vs VMI (Apr 17)
	22	vs Robert Morris (Mar 13)
GOALS	18	vs VMI (Apr 17)
	13	vs Mercer (Apr 03)
	13	vs Robert Morris (Mar 13)
ASSISTS	10	vs VMI (Apr 17)
	9	vs Robert Morris (Mar 13)
SHOTS	52	vs VMI (Apr 17)
	51	vs Mercer (Apr 03)
SHOT PERCENT	.346 (18-52)	vs VMI (Apr 17)
	.310 (9-29)	at Richmond (May 01)
SHOTS ON GOAL	31	vs VMI (Apr 17)
	30	vs Robert Morris (Mar 13)
ON GOAL PERCENT	.667 (16-24)	at Duke (Feb 27)
	.600 (30-50)	vs Robert Morris (Mar 13)
SAVES	18	at Richmond (May 01)
	17	vs Denver (Feb 13)
GROUND BALLS	49	vs Robert Morris (Mar 13)
	39	vs VMI (Apr 17)
FACEOFF PERCENT	.667 (12-18)	at Bellarmine (Mar 27)
	.615 (16-26)	vs VMI (Apr 17)
TURNOVERS	26	at Virginia (Mar 06)
	24	at Richmond (May 01)
	24	vs Robert Morris (Mar 13)
CAUSED TURNOVERS	14	at Richmond (May 01)
	13	vs VMI (Apr 17)

**Opponent - GAME HIGHS**

POINTS	37	at Virginia (Mar 06)
	30	at Duke (Feb 27)
GOALS	20	at Virginia (Mar 06)
	17	at Duke (Feb 27)
ASSISTS	17	at Virginia (Mar 06)
	13	at Duke (Feb 27)
SHOTS	58	vs Denver (Feb 13)
	51	at North Carolina (Mar 20)
SHOT PERCENT	.465 (20-43)	at Virginia (Mar 06)
	.441 (15-34)	vs Mercer (Apr 03)
SHOTS ON GOAL	32	vs Denver (Feb 13)
	29	at Duke (Feb 27)
ON GOAL PERCENT	.733 (22-30)	at Bellarmine (Mar 27)
	.706 (24-34)	vs Mercer (Apr 03)
SAVES	17	vs Robert Morris (Mar 13)
	16	at Jacksonville (Apr 10)
GROUND BALLS	56	at Virginia (Mar 06)
	41	vs Robert Morris (Mar 13)
FACEOFF PERCENT	.750 (21-28)	at Virginia (Mar 06)
	.750 (18-24)	vs Denver (Feb 13)
TURNOVERS	29	at Virginia (Mar 06)
	25	vs Robert Morris (Mar 13)
CAUSED TURNOVERS	17	at Virginia (Mar 06)
	14	at Richmond (May 01)



Date	Opponent	Score	G	A	Pts	Sh	Sog	UP	DN	GB	TO	CT	Faceoff	Pen-Min
Feb 13, 2021	DENVER	6-15	6	4	10	35	17	0	0	20	17	7	6-24	2-1.5
Feb 20, 2021	UTAH	10-9	10	7	17	43	24	0	0	28	14	8	13-22	3-2.0
Feb 27, 2021	Duke	7-17	7	5	12	24	16	1	0	19	22	7	10-27	4-5.5
Mar 06, 2021	Virginia	4-20	4	3	7	28	15	1	0	31	26	7	7-28	3-2.5
Mar 13, 2021	ROBERT MORRIS	13-14	13	9	22	50	30	1	0	49	24	10	17-30	1-1.0
Mar 20, 2021	North Carolina	5-15	5	2	7	34	15	1	0	25	15	6	11-24	4-3.0
Mar 27, 2021	Bellarmino	8-6	8	7	15	34	17	0	0	22	18	7	12-18	2-2.0
Apr 03, 2021	MERCER	13-15	13	6	19	51	27	1	0	24	8	7	15-31	3-1.5
Apr 10, 2021	Jacksonville	5-11	5	1	6	44	21	0	1	28	13	8	10-20	6-6.0
Apr 17, 2021	VMI	18-4	18	10	28	52	31	0	0	39	13	13	16-26	6-6.0
Apr 24, 2021	HIGH POINT	8-13	8	5	13	45	20	3	0	27	11	11	12-22	5-5.5
May 01, 2021	Richmond	9-8	9	6	15	29	16	1	0	25	24	14	12-21	5-3.0
May 05, 2021	Richmond	6-11	6	4	10	40	18	0	0	26	18	6	9-20	3-2.0
		112-158	112	69	181	509	267	9	1	363	223	111	150-313	47-41.5
Opponent			158	111	269	521	313	26	0	414	230	115	163-313	41-32.0

#### TEAM PER-GAME

Games played: 13

Shots per game: 39.15; Goals per game: 8.62

Assists per game: 5.31; Points per game: 13.92

Shot pct: .220; SOG pct: .525

Faceoff W-L pct: .479; Clear pct.: 0.793

Date	Opponent	Score	Minutes	GA	GAAvg	Saves	Save%	W	L	T
Feb 13, 2021	DENVER	6-15	60:00	15	15.00	17	.531	0	0	0
Feb 20, 2021	UTAH	10-9	62:25	9	11.76	11	.550	1	0	0
Feb 27, 2021	Duke	7-17	60:00	17	13.49	12	.414	0	1	0
Mar 06, 2021	Virginia	4-20	60:00	20	15.10	7	.259	0	1	0
Mar 13, 2021	ROBERT MORRIS	13-14	60:00	14	14.88	9	.391	0	1	0
Mar 20, 2021	North Carolina	5-15	60:00	15	14.90	13	.464	0	1	0
Mar 27, 2021	Bellarmino	8-6	60:00	6	13.64	16	.727	1	0	0
Apr 03, 2021	MERCER	13-15	60:00	15	13.81	9	.375	0	1	0
Apr 10, 2021	Jacksonville	5-11	60:00	11	13.50	11	.500	0	1	0
Apr 17, 2021	VMI	18-4	60:00	4	12.55	7	.636	1	0	0
Apr 24, 2021	HIGH POINT	8-13	60:00	13	12.59	12	.480	0	1	0
May 01, 2021	Richmond	9-8	60:00	8	12.21	18	.692	1	0	0
May 05, 2021	Richmond	6-11	60:00	11	12.12	13	.542	0	1	0
		112-158	782:25	158	12.12	155	.495	4	8	0



2021 team captain Quincy Peene



Ethan Grandolfo put up a team season-high and career-best 6 goals and 2 assists against VMI, April 17.

#### Air Force - INDIVIDUAL GAME HIGHS

POINTS	8	Ethan Grandolfo vs VMI (Apr 17)
	6	Ben Ward vs VMI (Apr 17)
	6	Brenden Crouse vs Mercer (Apr 03)
GOALS	6	Ethan Grandolfo vs VMI (Apr 17)
	6	Ben Ward vs VMI (Apr 17)
	6	Brenden Crouse vs Mercer (Apr 03)
ASSISTS	2	Matthew O'Rourke at Richmond (May 05)
	2	Chad Teresky vs High Point (Apr 24)
	2	Quincy Peene vs High Point (Apr 24)
	2	Ethan Grandolfo vs VMI (Apr 17)
	2	Gavin Peene vs VMI (Apr 17)
	2	Brenden Crouse vs Mercer (Apr 03)
	2	Brandon Dodd vs Mercer (Apr 03)
	2	Quincy Peene at Bellarmine (Mar 27)
	2	Ethan Grandolfo at Bellarmine (Mar 27)
	2	Brenden Crouse vs Robert Morris (Mar 13)
	2	Quincy Peene vs Robert Morris (Mar 13)
	2	Brenden Crouse at Duke (Feb 27)
	2	Ethan Grandolfo at Duke (Feb 27)
	2	Aidan Tolen vs Utah (Feb 20)
	2	Matthew O'Rourke vs Utah (Feb 20)
	2	Braden Host vs Denver (Feb 13)
	2	August Johnson vs Denver (Feb 13)
SHOTS	11	Brenden Crouse vs High Point (Apr 24)
	11	Ethan Grandolfo vs VMI (Apr 17)
	11	Ben Ward vs VMI (Apr 17)
	11	Brenden Crouse vs Mercer (Apr 03)
	9	Ethan Grandolfo vs VMI (Apr 17)
	8	Ben Ward vs VMI (Apr 17)
SHOTS ON GOAL	8	Aidan Tolen vs Mercer (Apr 03)
	18	Jason Rose at Richmond (May 01)
	17	Braden Host vs Denver (Feb 13)
SAVES	8	Chris Bardak vs Utah (Feb 20)
	6	Tommy Hellman at Richmond (May 05)
	6	Brian Michael vs VMI (Apr 17)
	6	Chris Bardak vs Mercer (Apr 03)
	6	Brenden Crouse vs Robert Morris (Mar 13)
CAUSED TURNOVER	5	Quentin Carlile at Richmond (May 01)
	4	Quentin Carlile vs VMI (Apr 17)

**ALL-TIME SERIES (1994-CURRENT)**

\*The Air Force modern era begins in 1994 when the Falcons first joined an All-Div. I conference, the Great Western Lacrosse League.

Opponent	Series	First Mtg	Last Mtg	Last AFA Win	Last Opp. Win
Albany	1-0	1999	1999	1999 (10-8)	None
Army	2-11	1998	2012	2012 (9-8)	2009 (14-9)
Bellarmine	13-3	2006	2021	2021 (8-6)	2013 (11-10)
Binghamton	1-0	2014	2014	2014 (10-8)	None
Boston U	0-2	2017	2018	None	2018 (15-9)
Brown	0-3	2000	2008	None	2008 (13-7)
Bucknell	0-4	1998	2009	None	2009 (9-2)
Butler	4-9	1994	2006	2005 (11-8)	2006 (11-7)
Canisius	6-1	1997	2020	2020 (15-11)	2014 (7-6)
Cleveland State	2-2	2017	2020	2019 (11-8)	2020 (12-11)
Colgate	1-0	1997	1997	1997 (13-12)	None
Colorado	3-0	1994	1996	1996 (23-3)	None
Colorado College	4-1	1994	1998	1998 (14-13)	1994 (12-10)
Cornell	0-1	2018	2018	None	2018 (23-5)
Dartmouth	3-0	1997	2016	2016 (9-3)	None
Delaware	0-1	2004	2004	None	2004 (7-6)
Denver	6-23	1994	2021	2009 (10-7)	2021 (15-6)
Detroit Mercy	6-0	2009	2019	2019 (19-9)	None
Drexel	2-0	1994	1996	1996 (9-5)	None
Duke	3-6	2003	2021	2020 (14-13)	2021 (17-7)
Fairfield	4-7	2001	2014	2014 (16-8)	2013 (9-8)
Furman	5-1	2015	2019	2019 (11-7)	2017 (8-7)
Gannon	0-1	1999	1999	None	1999 (13-5)
Georgetown	0-1	1995	1995	None	1995 (16-2)
High Point	3-4	2013	2021	2017 (16-11)	2021 (13-8)
Hobart	2-2	2010	2013	2013 (16-12)	2012 (12-8)
Hofstra	0-5	1994	2011	None	2011 (11-6)
Jacksonville	7-3	2011	2021	2019 (14-7)	2021 (11-5)
Lafayette	1-0	2005	2005	2005 (11-6)	None
Lehigh	2-6	1994	2013	2013 (15-10)	2010 (14-13)
Loyola (Md.)	1-4	1997	2013	2011 (8-6)	2013 (13-7)
Manhattan	2-4	2000	2011	2011 (16-10)	2009 (9-8)
Marist	4-2	2014	2019	2019 (12-6)	2017 (10-4)
Marquette	0-2	2013	2017	None	2017 (7-6)
Maryland	0-3	2001	2009	None	2009 (15-4)
Mercer	8-2	2011	2021	2019 (20-8)	2021 (15-13)
Michigan	3-1	2012	2018	2014 (15-12)	2018 (14-9)
Michigan State	1-2	1994	1996	1995 (9-8)	1996 (7-6)
Mount St. Mary's	1-1	2002	2003	2002 (11-6)	2003 (10-4)
Navy	1-6	1994	2016	2003 (8-6)	2016 (10-6)
North Carolina	0-7	1999	2021	None	2021 (15-5)
Notre Dame	1-16	1994	2016	2006 (9-8)	2016 (15-7)
Ohio State	5-18	1994	2014	2014 (14-7)	2014 (8-6)
Penn	0-3	2005	2010	None	2010 (8-7)
Penn State	0-2	2000	2002	None	2002 (16-2)
Presbyterian	3-0	2008	2011	20011 (18-9)	None
Providence	2-1	2001	2008	2008 (8-7)	2002 (8-7)
Quinnipiac	4-5	2002	2015	2012 (13-3)	2015 (12-10)
Radford	1-1	1995	2000	1995 (14-7)	2000 (14-4)
Richmond	7-3	2014	2021	2021 (9-8)	2021 (11-6)
Robert Morris	2-3	2010	2021	2016 (11-10)	2021 (14-13)
Rutgers	2-3	1994	2013	2013 (11-9)	2012 (11-10)
Sacred Heart	3-1	2004	2016	2016 (13-10)	2004 (11-10)
Siena	4-2	1995	2011	2007 (11-7)	2011 (11-6)
St. Bonaventure	1-0	2020	2020	2020 (11-5)	None
St. John's	2-1	2005	2010	2006 (10-5)	2010 (10-7)
Stony Brook	3-3	1994	2004	1998 (7-6)	2004 (7-3)
Syracuse	0-1	2002	2002	None	2002 (20-8)
Towson	0-3	1980	2009	None	2009 (11-9)
UMBC	0-2	2006	2007	1971 (11-3)	None
Utah	2-1	2019	2021	2021 (10-9 <sup>OT</sup> )	2019 (6-5)
Vermont	2-2	1988	2015	2004 (8-4)	2015 (11-10 3 <sup>OT</sup> )
Villanova	1-7	1995	2007	1996 (14-6)	2007 (9-8)
Virginia	1-1	2004	2021	2004 (7-6)	2021 (20-4)
VMI	15-1	1992	2021	2021 (18-4)	2014 (6-4)
Wagner	1-0	2001	2001	2001 (13-4)	None
Yale	0-3	2007	2019	None	2019 (13-6)

**SERIES HISTORY vs. 2022 OPPONENTS**

\* Games before the modern era are NOT included.

**Bellarmine (Overall: 11-3)**

**H: 5-1 A: 4-2 N: 2-0**

04/09/06, H, W 9-7  
04/15/07, A, L, 10-16  
04/11/08, H, W, 13-8  
04/11/09, A, W, 12-7  
04/11/10, H, L, 10-11  
04/09/11, A, W, 12-7  
04/08/12, H, W, 12-8  
03/09/13, A, L, 10-11  
03/08/14, H, W, 13-9  
04/04/15, N, W, 11-8  
04/02/16, A, W, 8-7 (OT)  
05/05/16, N, W, 10-8  
04/01/17, H, W, 20-2  
03/31/18, A, W, 9-7  
04/27/19, H, W, 13-6  
03/27/21, A, W, 8-6

**Bryant (Overall: 0-0)**

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**Canisius (Overall 6-1)**

**H: 2-0, A: 1-0, N: 3-1**

04/19/97, H, W, 14-11  
02/23/13, N, W, 10-8  
02/22/14, N, L, 6-7  
02/22/15, N, W, 13-6  
02/25/17, N, W, 15-10  
03/02/19, A, W, 13-7  
03/08/20, H, W, 15-11

**Cleveland State (Overall 2-2)**

**H: 0-1, A: 0-0, N: 2-1**

02/26/17, N, W, 16-2  
02/23/18, H, L, 7-8  
02/23/19, N, W, 11-8  
02/22/20, N, L, 11-12

**Colgate (Overall: 1-0)**

**H: 1-0, A: 0-0, N: 0-0**

03/19/97, H, W, 13-12

**Denver (Overall 6-23)**

**H: 3-11, A: 2-12, N: 1-0**

04/11/94, H, W, 19-2  
02/28/96, H, W, 22-5  
05/03/97, N, W, 12-4  
05/02/98, H, W, 14-13  
03/01/99, A, L, 5-12  
05/06/00, H, L, 4-12  
05/02/01, A, L, 6-11  
05/04/02, A, W, 6-5  
05/03/03, A, L, 5-9  
04/17/04, H, L, 6-7  
04/30/05, A, L, 9-10  
04/29/06, H, L, 3-7  
04/28/07, A, L, 9-11  
04/26/08, H, L, 1-14  
04/25/09, A, W, 10-7  
03/27/10, A, L, 6-9  
05/08/10, H, L, 7-15  
03/26/11, A, L, 7-14  
03/24/12, H, L, 8-11  
03/26/13, A, L, 10-11 (OT)  
02/08/14, H, L, 8-14  
02/21/15, A, L, 6-16  
02/13/16, H, L, 9-10  
02/11/17, A, L, 6-14  
05/13/17, A, L, 10-17  
01/29/18, H, L, 5-11  
02/09/19, A, L, 4-11  
02/08/20, H, L, 7-13  
02/13/21, H, L, 6-15

**Detroit Mercy (Overall 6-0)**

**H: 4-0, A: 2-0, N: 0-0**

04/19/09, H, W, 13-6  
03/14/15, H, W, 9-6  
03/26/16, A, W, 7-5  
03/11/17, H, W, 13-8  
03/11/18, A, W, 9-7  
03/06/19, H, W, 19-9

**Jacksonville (Overall: 7-2)**

**H: 3-1 A: 3-1 N: 1-0**

03/06/11, H, L, 7-10  
03/27/12, A, W, 11-8  
03/15/14, A, W, 15-12  
03/28/15, H, W, 18-5  
04/30/16, A, W, 11-6  
03/25/17, H, W, 10-9 (OT)  
05/04/17, N, W, 11-8  
04/07/18, A, L, 12-13  
03/30/19, H, W, 14-7  
04/10/21, A, L, 5-11

**Marist (Overall 4-2)**

**H: 1-2, A: 2-0, N: 1-0**

02/23/14, N, W, 17-9  
02/14/15, H, L, 6-7  
02/20/16, A, W, 7-6 (4OT)  
02/18/17, H, L, 4-10  
02/17/18, A, W, 8-7  
02/16/19, H, W, 12-6

**Marquette (Overall: 0-2)**

**H: 0-1, A: 0-1, N: 0-0**

03/02/13, H, L, 6-8  
03/28/17, A, L, 6-7

**Mercer (Overall 8-1)**

**H: 3-1, A: 5-0 N: 0-0**

04/02/11, A, W, 14-5  
03/31/12, H, W, 20-4  
04/06/13, A, W, 15-9  
04/05/14, H, W, 19-6  
04/11/15, A, W, 10-7  
04/09/16, H, W, 15-13  
03/18/17, A, W, 14-6  
03/24/18, H, L, 7-9  
03/16/19, A, W, 20-8  
04/03/21, H, L, 13-15

**Robert Morris (Overall: 2-3)**

**H: 1-1, A: 1-1, N: 0-1**

04/03/10, A, L, 7-13  
02/25/12, N, L, 14-17  
04/18/15, H, W, 10-9  
03/05/16, A, W, 11-10  
03/13/21, H, L, 13-14

**Utah (Overall 1-1)**

**H: 0-1, A: 1-0, N: 0-0**

02/27/19, H, L, 5-6  
02/15/20, A, W, 9-8  
02/20/21, H, W, 10-9 (OT)

**Virginia (Overall: 1-2)**

**H: 0-0, A: 0-2, N: 1-0**

02/28/04, N, W, 7-6  
03/01/20, A, L, 5-15  
03/06/21, A, L, 4-20



#	FULL NAME	YR.	POS.	HT.	WT.	HOMETOWN / HIGH SCHOOL / PREVIOUS SCHOOL
0	Shad Bruce	Jr.	M	6-0	200	Del Mar, CA / Torrey Pines
3	Jake Marek	Fr.	GK	5-10	154	Plantation, FL / American Heritage School
4	Dante Orlando	So.	M	5-11	180	Parker, CO / Cherry Creek
5	Aidan Tolen	So.	A	6-3	200	Annapolis, MD / DeMatha Catholic
6	Joe Kassal	Jr.	M	6-0	185	Denver, CO / Regis Jesuit
7	Will Stax	So.	SSDM	6-0	190	Alpharetta, GA / Milton
8	Cole Grindberg	Sr.	A	6-3	187	Victoria, MN / Chanhassen
9	Joshua Tauss	Jr.	LSM	6-3	200	San Diego, CA / Cathedral Catholic
10	Josh Yago	Fr.	A	6-3	205	Denver, CO / Arvada West
11	Dylan Frankhouser	Jr.	FO/M	5-8	185	Jupiter, FL / Jupiter
12	Tommy Hellman	Jr.	M	6-1	185	Darien, CT / Darien
13	Cooper Rich	So.	A/M	5-10	190	Highlands Ranch, CO / Valor Christian
14	Alexander Stepney	Fr.	A	6-0	175	New Hartford, CT / The Loomis Chaffee School
15	Sam Ewing	So.	D	6-4	205	Smithsburg, MD / Smithsburg
16	Ollie Lovell	Fr.	M	6-0	170	Austin, TX / Westlake
17	Chris Bardak	So.	D	5-9	175	Smithtown, NY / St. Anthony's
18	Brenden Crouse	Sr.	M	6-0	198	Eldersburg, MD / Boys' Latin School of Maryland
19	Teddy Accardi	So.	A	5-10	165	Rocky Point, NY / Rocky Point
20	Joey Matheson	Jr.	M	6-0	165	Syracuse, NY / Christian Brothers Academy
21	Caden Wolfson	Sr.	LSM	6-2	207	San Diego, CA / Torrey Pines
24	Gavin Peene	Jr.	M	6-1	190	Ridgewood, NJ / Ridgewood
25	James Chastain	So.	D	6-0	200	Lincoln University, PA / Avon Grove
26	Quinn Richards	So.	GK	5-10	170	Farmingham, MA / Belmont
27	Mitchell Gruenewald	Jr.	LSM	6-2	175	Southlake, TX / Carroll Senior High
28	Brian Michael	Sr.	FO	5-10	185	Farmingdale, NY / Farmingdale Senior HS
29	Braden Gaab	So.	FO/M	5-10	170	O'Fallon, IL / O'Fallon Township
31	Kyle Griffith	Fr.	A	5-11	170	Severna Park, MD / Severna Park
32	Maxwell Kane	Jr.	A	6-1	200	Cumming, GA / South Forsyth
33	Jason Rose	Jr.	GK	6-3	200	Garnet Valley, PA / Garnet Valley
34	Quentin Carlile	Sr.	D	6-2	205	Indianapolis, IN / Cathedral
35	Ian Mullins	Sr.	GK	5-11	195	Monument, CO / Lewis Palmer
36	Daniel Haimes	Fr.	M	-		/
37	Samuel Gee	Fr.	A	-		/
38	Ben Morfit	Fr.	M	5-11	165	Pelham, NY / Pelham Memorial/IMG Academy
39	Vincent Mata	Fr.	D	5-11	185	Aurora, CO / Regis Jesuit
40	Ethan Grandolfo	Jr.	A	5-7	179	Wilton, CT / Fairfield Prep
42	Christian Marshall	Sr.	M	5-10	175	Las Vegas, NV / Faith Lutheran
43	Jake Knapp	Fr.	FO/M	6-2	210	Rochester, NY / Fairport
44	Daniel Enoch	Fr.	D	6-0	190	Raleigh, NC / Cardinal Gibbons
45	Brandon Dodd	Jr.	A	6-3	220	Logan, UT / Logan
46	Cody Gross	Fr.	D	6-1	185	Bradenton, FL / IMG Academy
47	Gabe Swanswer	Fr.	M	6-2	200	Apex, NC / Apex
48	Isaac Abramovitz	So.	GK	6-1	190	Castle Pines, CO / Rock Canyon
51	Robbie Lionetti	So.	M	5-11	185	Branford, CT / Avon Old Farms School
52	Ethan Howell	Fr.	A	6-0	195	Milton, VT /
54	Matt Rubino	Fr.	A	5-5	165	Madison, CT / The Loomis Chaffee School
55	Chase Douglas	Sr.	M	6-0	180	Centennial, CO / Arapahoe
56	Wes Peene	Fr.	M	6-4	236	Ridgewood, NJ / Ridgewood

**COACHING STAFF**

Head Coach: Bill Wilson (Loyola '94) – 13th season at AF, 4th season as HC

Assistant Coach: Jon Thompson (Brown '03) – 2nd season

Assistant Coach: Doug Murray (Notre Dame '92) – 4th Season

Volunteer Asst. Coach: Trent Harper (USAFA '19) – 1st season

**PRONUNCIATIONS**

Isaac ABRAMOVITZ – A-brom-o-vitz

Chris BARDAK – Bar-dak

Braden GAAB – Gabe

Cole GRINDBERG – Grin-berg

Mitchell GRUENEWALD – Green-wald

Joe KASSAL – Castle

Joshua TAUSS – Tau-ss

Josh YAGO – Yah-go



# HEAD COACH **BILL WILSON**

Fourth season, 13th at Air Force

Bill Wilson enters his fourth season as the head lacrosse coach at Air Force in the 2022 season. Wilson, who served as the interim head coach in the 2018 season and took the helm of the program in 2019, has 13 years coaching experience at the Academy. He is 22-26 in three seasons as Air Force's head coach and is 63-68 in nine career years as a head coach.

After leading Air Force to a 5-10 record in his interim year, coach Wilson guided the Falcons back to their winning ways in the 2019 campaign, going 10-5 on the season with a 6-1 mark in Southern Conference play, garnering the team's third regular-season league title in four seasons with the conference. Under Wilson's guidance, the Falcons saw a USILA All-America honorable mention in Brandon Jones and seven players added to All-Southern Conference teams, highlighted by a Defensive Player of the year nod in Jones. Wilson was positioned for a winning season in 2020 after pulling off a 4-3 record prior to conference play, highlighted by an upset win at No. 7 Duke in the season opener. The remainder of the season was canceled due to the COVID-19 global pandemic. In the Falcons' last season with the Southern Conference, Wilson guided the team to their fourth SoCon tournament appearance in six seasons.

In 2017 Wilson played an integral role in program's success, assisting the Falcons to their second-straight SoCon championship title and the team's fifth visit to the NCAA tournament. In 2016 he helped Air Force to its highest national ranking to date (No. 8) and the program's longest win streak (15 games) for the team's best finish in program history. Air Force capped the record-breaking season at 15-3 with a perfect mark in conference action, notching an overtime upset over perennial powerhouse, Duke, en route to the program's fourth NCAA tournament appearance.

Wilson has had a hand in coaching all five of the program's Major Lacrosse League draftees. Erik Smith and Mike Crampton were drafted to the Boston Cannons and Colorado Mammoth, respectively, in the wake of the 2014 season. Following the 2016 campaign, Christopher Allen was drafted to the Charlotte Hounds, while Alex Warden was selected by the Denver Outlaws. In the 2019, Brandon Jones was drafted to the Denver Outlaws. Wilson is also a part of the staff that guided five Falcons (six times) to All-America honorable mention status.

Wilson was named the 2014 USILA Division I Outstanding Assistant Coach as he helped lead the program to unprecedented heights, leading the Falcons to their best season ever. The 2014 Falcons compiled an 11-6 overall record and secured their highest win total since 1988. The Falcons were able to clinch a share of the regular season conference title before going on to win the ECAC Tournament title, earning their first NCAA bid since 1988. Air Force went on to host Richmond in the NCAA play-in game, capturing its first NCAA tournament win in program history, before dropping a first-round match-up to defending national champion Duke.

Wilson came to the Academy in the summer of 2009 after spending six years as the head coach at Dartmouth College. During his tenure with the Big Green, he compiled a 40-44 overall record, while coaching nine first-team all-league players, one Ivy League Rookie of the Year, 18 first-team All-New England players and seven players selected in the Major League Lacrosse Draft. Signature wins for Dartmouth during Wilson's six-year stint include an upset of fourth-ranked Maryland in 2005, a pair of victories of top-10 ranked Notre Dame and a win over 10th-ranked league rival Princeton in 2008.

Wilson's coaching career began at Princeton University in 1995, where he helped coach the Tigers to the 1996 Ivy League and NCAA championships. He then spent five years as the first assistant coach and defensive coordinator at Hofstra from 1997-2001, when The Pride made four trips in five years to the NCAA Tournament, reaching the quarterfinals in both 1998 and 2000.

Before taking over the helm at Dartmouth in 2004, Wilson served as the first assistant coach and defensive coordinator at Cornell in 2003, helping the Big Red to its first Ivy League title in 16 years.

A 1994 graduate of Loyola College, Wilson was a four-year letterwinner and four-year starter at defense for the Greyhounds. Wilson's teams at Loyola qualified for the NCAA Tournament each season, while advancing to the quarterfinals three times. He was also honored as a senior by earning a spot in the 1994 North-South All-Star game.

Wilson, a native of Syracuse, N.Y., graduated from West Genesee High School, where he was a two-sport athlete in hockey and lacrosse. In 1990, Wilson's teams won the New York State Class "A" championships in both sports. In 1989, he represented the Central region in the Empire State Games, earning a gold medal for lacrosse.

# THE ACADEMY EXPERIENCE

The United States Air Force Academy offers a four-year program of instruction and experience designed to educate, train and inspire men and women to become officers of character, motivated to lead the U.S. Air Force in service to our nation. Each cadet graduates with a bachelor of science degree and a commission as a second lieutenant in the Air Force.

## COURSE OF STUDY

Cadets are exposed to a balanced curriculum that provides the knowledge, skills and responsibilities essential to a career Air Force officer. The entire USAFA experience is integrated and mapped to achieve a set of desired outcomes in every graduate.

The core academic curriculum includes courses in basic sciences, engineering, social sciences and humanities. Cadets take additional elective courses to complete requirements for one of 32 major areas of study. About 50 percent of the cadets complete majors in science and engineering; the remainder graduate in the social sciences and humanities. Some of the most popular majors include management, aeronautical engineering, foreign area studies, history, behavioral science, civil engineering, astronautical engineering, electrical engineering and engineering mechanics.

## FACULTY COMPOSITION

The majority of the Academy's faculty members, more than 500 total, are Air Force officers. They are selected primarily from career-officer volunteers who have established outstanding records of performance and dedication. Each has at least a master's degree and more than 55 percent have doctorates or other terminal degrees in their field of study.

Faculty members are intensely focused on cadet learning as an integral part of their officer development. The Air Force Academy has been ranked No. 1 in the nation for the most accessible and involved faculty.

About 30 percent of the faculty are civilians who bring great depth of disciplinary and educational expertise and provide academic stability and continuity. To provide greater contributions by a diverse faculty, the Academy has several distinguished visiting professors and endowed professors who serve one or more years. Officers from other services, as well as officers from allied countries are also members of the faculty. Distinguished civilian and military lecturers also share their expertise with the cadets during the academic year.

## ATHLETIC PROGRAM

The Academy's athletic program is designed to improve physical fitness, teach athletic skills and develop leadership qualities. To achieve its goals, the Academy offers some of the most extensive physical education, intramural sports and intercollegiate athletic programs in the nation. Cadets take at least three different physical education courses each year.

## MILITARY EDUCATION AND TRAINING

An air, space and cyberspace-oriented military education, training and leadership program begins with basic cadet training and continues throughout the four years. Seniors are responsible for the organizational leadership of the cadet wing, while juniors and sophomores seek to develop team and interpersonal leadership and instructional skills. Cadets are projected into as many active leadership roles as possible to prepare them to be effective Air Force officers.

Fundamental concepts of military organization -- drill, ethics, honor, Air Force heritage and physical training -- are emphasized the first summer during basic cadet training. Freshmen then study the military role in United States society as well as the mission and organization of the Air Force. Sophomores receive instruction in communication skills and juniors study the combat and operational aspects of the Air Force.

The Academy offers courses in flying, navigation, soaring and parachuting, building from basic skills to instructor duties. Some cadets may fly light aircraft with the Cadet Flying Team.

Summer training for cadets is divided into three, three-week training periods. There are a variety of programs available and each cadet is required to complete two training periods each summer with leave during the other period. All new cadets take six weeks of basic cadet training in their first summer.

Combat survival training is a required three-week program during cadets' second summer. For other second-summer training periods, cadets have options such as working with Airmen in an operational unit at an Air Force installation, airborne parachute training, soaring or basic free-fall parachute training. During their last two summers, cadets are offered leadership training as supervisors or instructors in the summer programs listed above.

Extracurricular activities also are an integral part of the education program. The ski club, drum and bugle corps, cadet chorale and forensics are just a few of the programs available.

## NOMINATIONS

Nominations to the Academy may be obtained through a congressional sponsor or by meeting eligibility criteria in other categories of competition established by law. For information on admission procedures:

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## HISTORY OF THE AIR FORCE ACADEMY

In 1948, a board of leading civilian and military educators was appointed to plan the curriculum for an academy that would meet the needs of the newly established Air Force. The board determined that Air Force requirements could not be met by expanding the other service academies and recommended an Air Force Academy be established without delay.

In 1949, then Secretary of the Air Force W. Stuart Symington appointed a commission to assist in selecting a site and on April 1, 1954, President Dwight D. Eisenhower authorized creation of the United States Air Force Academy. After considering 580 sites in 45 states, the commission narrowed the choice to three locations. The summer of 1954, Secretary of the Air Force Harold Talbott selected a site near Colorado Springs, Colo. The state of Colorado contributed \$1 million toward purchase of the property. In July 1955, the first Academy class entered interim facilities at Lowry Air Force Base, Denver, while construction began. It was sufficiently completed for occupancy by the cadet wing in late August 1958. Initial construction cost was \$142 million.

Women entered the Academy on June 28, 1976, as members of the class of 1980.