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A record! [Colonel Bryan Kirk](#), Professor of Military Science who replaced COL Wright, reported a record 34 Distinguished Military Students and 32

Distinguished Military Graduates (DMG) among this year's

commissioning cadet cohort. DMG's rank in the top 20% of Army ROTC graduates nationwide (9 of our DMGs are in the top 10%). He also anticipates a record number of commissions this year.



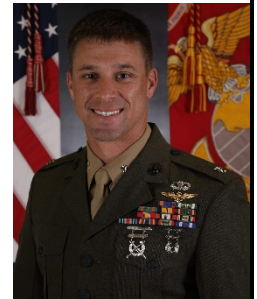
Cadets from Taiwan are participating in the Corps of Cadets this semester. Pictured with Dr. Jacobs.



Photo courtesy of LTC Max Caylor August 2021: Lieutenant Colonel Rebecca D'Angelo (02), Battalion Commander, 841st Transportation Battalion; Colonel (P) Kevin

Lambert (93), Deputy Commanding General for Support, 3rd Infantry Division; Lieutenant Colonel Max Caylor (03), Battalion Commander, 1-41 Field Artillery Regiment Mrs. Kim Paolucci Cook (02); Lieutenant Colonel Chris Cook (03), Deputy Chief of Staff, 3rd Infantry Division; Lieutenant Colonel Eric Harrison (02), Deputy Professor of Military Science, Rochester Institute of Technology.

Right: Buck Perry, UNG '2004, was promoted to lieutenant colonel in the Marine Corps. He is assigned to the 4th Marine Aircraft Wing. He's a Cobra pilot and leader.



COL Josh Wright's last individual commissioning ceremonies on 5 and 6 August. After a stellar infantry career that spanned 26 years, and after three years as UNG's Professor of Military Science, COL

Wright is retiring from the Army. We wish him and his family the best in all future endeavors.



Pictured: UNG cadets at Advance Camp at Ft. Knox, summer 2021. A record of more than 150 cadets attended; 15.6% received top rating of

"Outstanding" and 55.4% received either "Outstanding" or "Excellent." 26 earned the Recondo Badge.

Center for a [New American Society fellowship](#) application due 17 October. Eligibility: 27 to 35 years old, bachelor's degree, four years professional experience in research or executing U.S. national security policy, demonstrate commitment to public service.

[Olmsted Scholar Program](#). Regular Army officers with 3 to 11 years of service may apply for the program for graduate study in a foreign country.



Watch a video of the Corps of Cadets on parade during Parent Alumni weekend in 1962 or 63:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x7bBWTOAEz8>

Corps of Cadets stats for fall 2021. Size = 718; women = 20.8%; minorities = 27.2%; Guard Soldiers = 223; Reserve Soldiers = 19; Out-of-state = 19.9%; Most popular majors: (1) Criminal Justice, (2) business, (3) computer sciences/cyber/info systems tied with strategic studies, (4) political science, (5) biology

[Georgia Military Veteran's Hall of Fame](#). Three UNG alumni were selected for induction on 2 November 2021 in Columbus, Georgia. (Eighteen cadet alumni are in the GMVHOF.)

John W. Thompson, NG '87 for ACHIEVEMENT; USA; Colonel; Iraq, Afghanistan [Member of the North Georgia Corps of Cadets Association and Corps Advisory Council]

Robert A. Thompson, NG '62 for VALOR; USA; Captain; Vietnam (Killed-In-Action) [Colonel John Thompson's father]

George M. Johnson, Jr. NG '38 for VALOR; USAF; Major General; World War II (Posthumous) [Died at 103 in July 2021; inducted into the UNG Hall of Fame in 1974.]



Above: New cadet Blackhawk orientation flights from the drill field on 28 August 2021. UNG cadet graduates flew the mission. From left to right: CPT Eric Gleason, '16; CPT Josh Kamber, '14; CPT Tyler Johnson, '16; CPT Daniel Millard, '14; LTC Stephen Boda, '04; CPT (P) Jason Shelton, '09.



LTG Paul Calvert, '88 with CPT Paul Johnston, '12 at Al Asad Air Base, Iraq on 15 Aug 2021. Both were from Athens, GA and both were Distinguished Military Graduates.

Katelyn Morton, '17. Navy promotion to lieutenant junior grade. As a cadet, LTJG Morton was in Hotel Company and HHC.



Help us recruit! If you know any high school sophomore, junior, or senior (or the parent of) who is considering a military program in college, please tell them to contact Cadet Admissions to learn about the Corps of Cadets at UNG! More info: <https://ung.edu/military-college-admissions/visit/> Also, consider joining the [Corps Legacy Recruiting Network!](https://ung.edu/military-college-admissions/learn-more/alumni.php) <https://ung.edu/military-college-admissions/learn-more/alumni.php>

At some point in our paths, we benefitted from the vision and generosity of others, and now it is our turn to invest in the next generation of Leaders. Please consider making support to the Corps one of your philanthropic priorities. Contact James Corbin '02 at james.corbin@ung.edu or visit <https://unggive.org/corps-of-cadets/> to learn how you can make a difference!