

John Reynolds

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EDUCATION

Harvard University

Ph. D, Public Policy, Harvard Kennedy School

Present (est. completion: May 2028)

United States Military Academy, West Point, NY

B.S. Political Science: American Politics with Honors

July 2014 - May 2018

Thesis: Political Leadership: Reconciling a Polarized Nation

B.S. Foreign Language: Arabic

PUBLICATIONS

Non-Academic Publications

"Realizing a Cavalry Troop's Place in the OPLAN" – ARMOR Magazine (Summer 2025)

ACADEMIC HONORS AND AWARDS

Presidential Fellow – Center for the Study of the Presidency and Congress	2017-2018
Student Fellow – McDonald Conference for Leaders of Character	2017
Student Fellow – Mellon Simulation at Washington and Lee University	2018
COL Frederick H. Black Sr. Award for Excellence in the Domestic Affairs Forum	2018
Distinguished Cadet Award	2018

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Captain, U.S. Army May 2018- Present

4th Infantry Division

Assistant Brigade Operations Officer

November 2024-July 2025

- Oversaw operations for the rear detachment of 2nd Stryker Brigade while the majority of the Brigade was deployed to the Southern Border in 2024.

Cavalry Troop Commander

April 2023-November 2024

- Deployed a 75-person Cavalry Troop to the Republic of Korea as part of the U.S. Army's Korea Rotational Force. Worked alongside military officials from the Republic of Korea to improve readiness between our armies.
- Owned a \$100M inventory comprising 20 vehicles, 200 weapon systems, 50 communication systems; budgeted and prioritized procurement decisions that enabled the unit to deploy with a 100% operational readiness rate.

Squadron Planner

November 2022 – April 2023

- Planned the deployment and redeployment of a 500-person and 100-vehicle Cavalry Squadron to conduct a training rotation at the Joint Readiness Training Center in Fort Johnson, Louisiana.

1st Infantry Division

Squadron Unit Movement Officer

May 2021 – February 2022

- Planned all deployment readiness exercises and training deployments for an Armored Cavalry Squadron. Worked closely with Department of the Army civilians and Division-level officials to ensure maximum deployment readiness.

Troop Executive Officer and Platoon Leader

July 2019 – May 2021

- Second-in-command of a 70-person armored reconnaissance cavalry troop; worked alongside Army civilians in Korea to manage \$150M property inventory. Managed all training and maintenance systems to maintain readiness during Korea deployment from February-November 2020.

Office of John McCain, U.S. Senate

Legislative Intern

June 2016 – July 2016

- Conducted research on behalf of legislative aides in Senator McCain's office. Managed correspondence with constituents concerned about the National Defense Authorization Act and other legislative matters.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Academic Affiliations: American Political Science Association, Pi Sigma Alpha, Pi Sigma Iota

Certifications: Cavalry Leaders Course, Air Assault Course, Maneuver Captains Career Course

Personal Interests: The Music of Bruce Springsteen, Seeing Movies in Theaters, Skiing, Cooking