

Lieutenant Colonel (LTC) Cory Roberts commissioned as an Infantry Officer in April 2002 through US Army Officer Candidate School at Fort Benning, GA following eight years of enlisted service as an Infantryman. In December 2005, LTC Roberts graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Baccalaureate Degree in Criminal Justice from Columbus State University in Columbus, GA. LTC Roberts continued his education by receiving his Graduate Degree in Leadership and Management from Webster University in St. Louis, MO and graduating from the US Army Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, KS. During his 26yrs of Military Service, LTC Roberts has served in leadership positions from the Platoon through the Battalion and Squadron level.

LTC Roberts most recently completed his three year tour of duty as the Professor of Military Science in May of 2020 and not only improved the quality of the Lieutenant produced by Jacksonville State University, but has also doubled the enrollment size of the program to 100 Cadets. Prior to selection as Professor of Military Science he served as the Operations Officer for the US Army's Joint Modernization Command Training and Evaluation Division at Fort Bliss, TX where his team focused on developing systems and tactics for the Army 2025 and beyond concepts. Some of LTC Roberts' assignments include: 4<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division, 2<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Division, 3<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Division, 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division, 1<sup>st</sup> Infantry Division, and the 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Division. LTC Roberts also served at an instructor at the US Army Engineer Captain's Career Course and subsequently oversaw curriculum and faculty development at the School of Advanced Leadership and Tactics. In 2012, LTC Roberts aided in the design, establishment, and instruction of the first ever US Army Special Operations Captain's Career Course at Fort Bragg, NC. LTC Roberts served three combat tours to Operation Iraqi Freedom and multiple operational assignments to Kuwait, Kosovo, and Korea.

LTC Roberts' awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (3<sup>rd</sup> Oak Leaf Cluster), ARCOM (8<sup>th</sup> Oak Leaf Cluster), and Army Achievement Medal (6<sup>th</sup> Oak Leaf Cluster). LTC Roberts also earned the Combat Infantryman's Badge, Expert Infantry Badge, Ranger Tab, Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge, Pathfinder Badge and the Senior Army Instructor Badge.