



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

ROTC

Joint-Service Commissioning

18 May 2012



Schedule of Events

Welcome

Commissioning Party Entrance

National Anthem

Presentation of the Mace

Invocation

Retirement Recognition

Commissioning Address: RADM Herman Shelanski

Army Commissioning *

Navy Commissioning *

Marine Corps Commissioning *

Air Force Commissioning *

The First Salute**

Recessional

Reception (Lobby)

** Parents will join their commissionee on stage immediately after the oath is given.*

*** The Marine Corps First Salute will immediately follow the ceremony.*

Commissioning Party

Guest of Honor

Rear Admiral Herman A. Shelanski

University Representative

Regent Dean Johnson

Professor of Military Science

LTC Fred Dufault

Professor of Naval Science

CAPT Steven DiNoble

Professor of Aerospace Studies

Lt Col Paul H. Schwartz

Army Commissionees

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BRANCH</u>	<u>DEGREE</u>
Berchild , Christian	IN	Political Science
Bucher , Jordan	EN	Biblical and Theological Studies
Caflich , Kathryn	OD	Accounting
Caple , Robert	EN	Juris Doctorate
Cross , Mark	EN	Business Management
Davis, Camille	MS	Legal Studies
Dery , Luke	MS	Biology
Dimenna, John I	IN	History
Ebert , Angela	OD	Biology
Herring , Cole	MI	Organizational Leadership
Jacquet-Morrison , Philip	AN	Nursing
Jirik, Maria	AG	Criminal Justice
Kniefel , Jessica	MS	Nursing
Lawler , Katherine	AG	Biology
Mueller , J illian	FA	Political Science
Neve , Lucas	QM	Business/Communication Studies
Pasche, Alexandra	AN	Nursing
Roberts, Kathryn	AD	Political Science
Roush, Eric	OD	History
Simonson, Hannah	MS	Biology
Souksavong ,Vannesa	MS	Biology, Society and Environment
Thill, Ryan	FA	Political Science
Tweeton, Charles	AG	Political Science
Vogel ,Matthew	OD	Business and Political Science
Wallace, Ryan	FI	Mechanical Engineering
Wood ,Cary	FA	Political Science
Woodhouse ,Julian	FA	International Business

Air Force Commissionees

<u>NAME and SPECIALTY</u>	<u>DEGREE</u>
Beaver, Nicole Developmental Engineer	Mech.Eng.
Delury, Allison Public Affairs Officer	Journalism
Horgan, Casey Space and Missile Officer	Geography
Manning, Nathaniel Financial Management Officer	Accounting
Mangio, Arion Pilot	Aerospace Eng.
Peterson, Brian Remotely Piloted Aircraft Officer	Entrepreneurial Management
Phelps, Levi Intelligence Officer	Middle Eastern Studies
Ritchie, Robert Pilot	Aerospace Eng.
Wohlers, Corey Pilot	Aerospace Eng.
Wooley, Sarah Nurse	Health and Wellness



Navy Commissionees

NAME and SPECIALTY

DEGREE

Trevor Thomas Hoyt
Naval Aviation
Naval Aviation Schools Command

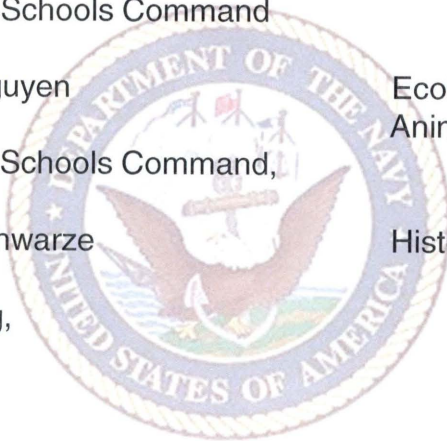
History

Natalie Kim Nguyen
Naval Aviation
Naval Aviation Schools Command,

Ecology, Evolution, and
Animal Behavior

Adam Noel Schwarze
SEAL Officer
BUD/s Training,

History



Marine Corps Commissionees

NAME and SPECIALTY

DEGREE

Elvin James Finnicum III
Ground Officer
The Basic School

History

Samuel Lee Batchelder
Ground Officer
The Basic School

Kinesiology

Michael Patrick Hutton
Ground Officer
The Basic School

Business Administration
and Leadership

Nikolas Aleski Sak
Aviation Officer
The Basic School

Sociology of Law,
Criminology,
and Deviance



Rear Admiral Herman A. Shelanski Commander, Carrier Strike Group 10



Rear Admiral Shelanski was commissioned an ensign in July 1980 and earned his Naval Flight Officer (NFO) Wings in the E-2C Hawkeye in 1982.

Shelanski served several tours in the E-2C Hawkeye. His first squadron, Carrier Airborne Early Warning Squadron (VAW) 117, won numerous awards including two consecutive Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) Battle E Awards. He was selected as the Hawkeye community's 1985 Hawkeye of the Year.

He was the assistant navigator in the USS *Independence* (CV 62) and a flight instructor in the E-2C Training Command. He has also served as action officer on the Joint Chiefs of Staff, J6 Directorate for Command, Control, Communications, and Computers in Washington, D.C., as the air operations officer for commander, U.S. Naval Forces Central Command/5th Fleet in Bahrain and as the first executive officer aboard USS *Ronald Reagan* (CVN 76). He was assigned as the executive assistant (EA) to the deputy commander at U.S. Joint Forces Command (USJFCOM) and then re-assigned as the EA to the commander USJFCOM/ NATO Supreme Allied Commander for Transformation.

Shelanski has commanded VAW-121, the Bluetails, on the USS *John C. Stennis* (CVN 74), the USS *La Salle* (AGF 3), and the USS *Harry S. Truman* (CVN 75). Shelanski reported to the OPNAV staff as director of the Navy's Environmental Readiness division. Shelanski was then selected to be the deputy, Survey and Engagement Team on the Comprehensive Review Working Group to study the effect on the military of the repeal of "Don't Ask Don't Tell."

Shelanski holds a bachelor of arts degree in Molecular, Cellular and Developmental Biology from the University of Colorado and a master of science degree in Electrical Engineering and Space Systems Engineering from the Naval Postgraduate School. He has also attended several Executive Level Leadership and Business courses. He is a graduate of the Armed Forces Staff College, the Navy Nuclear Power School and Prototype, the Naval Reactors Commanding Officer Nuclear Engineer course, and the Naval War College CD distance education course.

Shelanski amassed nearly 3,000 hours in the E-2C Hawkeye and over 500 carrier landings during his flying career



Regent Dean Johnson

Dean Johnson has been a member of the University of Minnesota Board of Regents since May 2007. This is the governing body of the University.

Regent Johnson has been a parish pastor at Calvary Lutheran Church in Willmar, Minnesota for 35 years. He also was elected to the Minnesota House of Representatives (1978 to 1982) and the Minnesota Senate (1982 to 2006), where he served as minority and majority leader.

Regent Johnson recently retired as a brigadier general in the United States Army National Guard. He was special assistant to the chief of chaplains, National Guard Bureau, Washington, D.C., and received numerous awards and commendations, including the Legion of Merit.

Regent Johnson grew up on a farm near Lanesboro, Minnesota. He received a Bachelor of Arts degree in business administration from Luther College in Decorah, Iowa, a Master of Divinity degree from Luther Theological Seminary in St. Paul, Minnesota, and, in 2002, a Master's Degree in Strategic Studies from the United States Army War College.

Representing the University Regents, Dean Johnson places the Mace in its cradle. The University of Minnesota Mace is a symbolic staff representing the dignity, power, and authority of the academic institution. Its crystal is symbolic of the illuminating quality of knowledge and education. Its presentation marks the beginning of tonight's commissioning ceremony.

Army ROTC

Army ROTC is the largest commissioning source for the US Army, annually commissioning approximately 68% of all new officers for the Active Component, Army Reserves (USAR), and National Guard (ARNG). The Gopher Battalion AROTC graduates enter one of the 16 Army branches. After commissioning, AROTC graduates attend training at their assigned branch school. Active component officers then go on to further training, such as Airborne or Ranger School, or directly on to their follow-on assignments in either the continental United States or abroad. USAR and ARNG officers return to their home states to lead and train their local units, while simultaneously pursuing their civilian careers. Currently we have 160 cadets enrolled in our program.

Naval ROTC

The Naval Service consists of both the Navy and the Marine Corps. As the largest source of Navy and Marine officers in the United States, the Naval ROTC program commissions approximately 1,100 men and women as Navy Ensigns or Marine Corps Second Lieutenants each year. Following commissioning, Navy graduates go in to surface warfare, aviation, nuclear power submarines, or nursing. Marine Corps commissionees report to The Basic School in Quantico, Virginia and receive follow on orders to the Fleet Marine Force. The University of Minnesota Naval ROTC program currently has 75 midshipmen enrolled.

Air Force ROTC

Air Force ROTC is the largest and oldest source of commissioned officers of the Air Force and serves to recruit, educate, and prepare college students to be Air Force officers. Nationally, approximately 3,000 men and women are commissioned each year. Air Force ROTC is located at 144 colleges and universities with approximately 600 additional colleges handled through "cross-town agreement." Here at the University of Minnesota, we currently have 58 students enrolled in Air Force ROTC.

Army ROTC Staff

Professor of Military Science	LTC Fred DuFault
Senior Military Instructor	MSG David Dempsey
Executive Officer	MAJ Eric Runningen
Training Officer	Mitch Ruedebusch
Assistant Training Officer	David Leard
Personnel and Logistics Officer	Doug Haugen
Enrollment and Scholarships Officer	MAJ Jon Dotterer
Assistant Enrollment and Scholarships Officer	Charles Moore
Training NCO	SFC Ryan Phillips
Assistant Training NCO	David Lykens
Recruiting NCO	SSG Stephanie Marschall
Army Supply Officer	John Joyner
Army Supply Officer	Tony Graff
Human Resource Assistant	Shanna Young
Human Resource Assistant	Jana Gunther
Human Resource Assistant	Susie Wottrich

Naval ROTC Staff

Commanding Officer	CAPT Steven DiNobile
Executive Officer	CDR Keith Wettschreck
Marine Officer Instructor	Capt Quincy Washa
Surface Warfare Officer	LT Angela Laird
Submarine Officer	LT Mike Siedsma
Aviation Officer	LT Galon R. Hudgins
Aviation Officer	LT Devin Bastemeyer,
Assistant Marine Officer Instructor	GySgt Martin Huizar
Administrative Officer	Kevin Naeyaert
Personnel Officer	Susan Vasquez
Supply Officer	Robert Malewicki

Air Force ROTC Staff

Professor of Aerospace Studies	Lt Col Paul H. Schwartz
Asst Professor of Aerospace Studies	Capt Tracy Cooper
Asst Professor of Aerospace Studies	Capt Adam Bliss
NCOIC, Personnel	TSgt Shan Gasparovich
NCOIC, Knowledge OPS MGR	SSgt Christopher Bylund
Principal Admin Specialist	Tony Yulo

Officer's Oath of Office

I, (state your full name), having been appointed a Second Lieutenant/Ensign in the United States (Army, Navy/Marine Corps, Air Force), do solemnly swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States of America against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office upon which I am about to enter, So Help Me God.