



MAJOR JAKE D. GALLI

Major Jake D. Galli is currently an Assistant Professor of Aerospace Studies at Air Force's Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFROTC) Detachment 172 located at Valdosta State University in Valdosta, GA. He was previously the Deputy Chief of MQ-9 Wing Weapons, 16th Training Squadron, 49th Wing at Holloman AFB, NM. In this capacity, he was responsible for advising group and squadron commanders on the training and tactical development for aircrew students attending MQ-9 Initial Qualification Training (IQT). Major Galli assisted the Chief of MQ-9 Weapons and Tactics in developing training scenarios and syllabus requirements for the Air Force's largest formal training unit, graduating over 600 MQ-9 aircrew per year. He also maintained mission-ready status as an MQ-9 instructor pilot and flight examiner, leading student pilot and sensor operator training sorties and conducting evaluations of MQ-9 students and instructors.



Major Galli was commissioned into the Air Force in April 2014 through the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps upon graduating from Brigham Young University with a degree in Civil Engineering. In 2015, Major Galli graduated from Undergraduate Pilot Training (UPT) at Columbus AFB, MS and was then trained as an MQ-9 Remotely Piloted Aircraft (RPA) pilot at Holloman AFB, NM. As an MQ-9 pilot, Major Galli commanded over 592 combat missions in support of Operation Freedom's Sentinel and other overseas contingency operations, leading to multiple precision strikes against enemy high value targets. In 2019, he joined the 29th Attack Squadron as an instructor pilot at the Air Force's premier MQ-9 training unit. During this time, Major Galli served as a flight commander, guiding 36 students through MQ-9 IQT and leading 13 permanent party instructors. As a flight safety officer, he ensured unit compliance with flight safety regulations and identified new unmanned aircraft safety risks to prevent aviation mishaps. Upon arriving at the 16th Training Squadron in 2022, Major Galli became an evaluator pilot, responsible for teaching new instructor pilots and holding aircrew to MQ-9 comj022scd224.7425 0f. I in 2c6ws8(.re)5.5de an M.S. in Unmanned and Autonomous Systems Engineering from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Worldwide.

Major Galli is a senior pilot with more than 2,500 hours in the T-6, T-1, MQ-9, and MQ-9X, including 1,937 combat hours in multiple locations and 330 instructor hours at the MQ-9 IQT course.

EDUCATION

2014 Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering, Brigham Young University, UT
2015 UAS Fundamentals Course, JBSA-Randolph, TX
2019 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, AL
2021 Aircraft Mishap Investigation Course, Kirtland AFB, NM
2021 Aviation Safety Program Management Course, Kirtland AFB, NM
2023 Master of Science in Systems Engineering, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, FL

ASSIGNMENTS

1. May 2014 – December 2015, Student, Undergraduate Pilot Training, Columbus AFB, MS
2. December 2015 – May 2016, Student, MQ-9 Initial Qualification Training, Holloman AFB, NM
3. May 2016 – December 2018, MQ-9/9X Pilot/Scheduling Officer, 22 Attack Squadron, Creech AFB, NV

4. December 2018 – August 2019, MQ-9 Pilot/Chief of