



MR. ARTHUR F. GRIJALVA

Arthur F. Grijalva is the Director of SpaceWERX. He directs the strategy and execution of \$460 million annually across the Space Force through the Ventures, Spark, and Prime programs. His work focuses on expanding the defense industrial base for advanced technologies, empowering Guardian talent, and accelerating technology transition to operational capability.

His journey commenced upon commissioning from the U.S. Air Force Academy, leading to his most recent role as the Deputy Director for Acquisition Delta-Space Warfighting at Space Systems Command where he managed a Presidential priority multi-billion dollar classified portfolio. He holds an M.S. in industrial Engineering from New Mexico State University and is an alumnus of the University of Southern California's SHIELD program.

EDUCATION

2010 Bachelor of Science, Operations Research, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colorado

2013 Master of Science, Industrial Engineering, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, New Mexico

2022 Graduate Certificate, SHIELD (Space, History, Industry, Engineering, Leadership, Deterrence), University of Southern California, Price School of Public Policy & Viterbi School of Engineering, Los Angeles, California



CAREER CHRONOLOGY

1. 2010 – 2012, Lead Analyst, Space Systems, Advanced Development Directorate, Space & Missile Systems Center
2. 2012 – 2013, Project Manager, Hypersonic Technology, Advanced Development Directorate, SMC, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.
3. 2013 – 2017, Deputy Test Program Manager/Analysis Manager, Air Force Operational Test & Evaluation Center, Edwards AFB, Calif.
4. 2017 – 2020, Program Manager, Space Superiority Directorate, SMC, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.
5. 2020 – 2023, Deputy Director, Acquisition Delta-Space Warfighting, Special Programs Directorate, Space Systems Command, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.
6. 2023 – Present, Director of SpaceWERX, Air Force Research Laboratory, Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio Month Year – Month Year, Duty Title, Unit, Installation, State

MAJOR AWARDS AND HONORS

Air Force Association Air & Space Warfare Team Innovation winner at the National level Gears of Government Team winner at the National level

(Current as of JANUARY 2025)

