

## **Patrick Huested**

Professional Speaker and Trainer

Patrick Huested is a lifelong leader in volunteer, military, and corporate organizations with a recognized passion for speaking and writing.

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Originally from Westlake, OH, Patrick lives with his wife in Albuquerque, NM. He earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Prescott, AZ and a Masters of Business Administration, with Phi Beta Lambda academic honors.

Patrick has had an exceptional professional career, serving eight years on active duty with the U.S. Air Force before separating and joining a private consumer products manufacturing company in Southern California where he was the Vice

President for Enterprise Integration. The changed environment after September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2001 brought him back to active duty and a decision to complete his twenty years of service.

In addition to his corporate position, he's held a variety of military positions including Lead Program Integrator for the \$43B C-17 transport aircraft program; Assistant Director of Operations activating a control segment for the U.S. Global Positioning System satellite constellation; Deputy Division Chief for Position, Navigation, and Timing developing the U.S. National PNT Architecture; and, currently, he's the Chief Information Officer and Division Chief for the Air Force Research Laboratory's 1,600-member Phillips Research Site's Corporate Information Office.

During his military career Patrick has completed the Squadron Officer School, Air Command and Staff College, and Air War College distance learning programs, as well as earning multiple certifications in several Acquisition Professional Development Program specialty areas.

In addition to his stateside assignments, he has also deployed twice during Operation Iraqi Freedom, with a four-month deployment to Kuwait where he orchestrated the final training and logistics for all U.S. Air Force Airmen entering into or out of Iraq. He served a second deployment, for thirteen months, at Headquarters, Multi-National Forces-Iraq, Operations Directorate, in Baghdad, Iraq.

His decorated work in the Civil Air Patrol, award-winning speeches in Toastmasters International (including being elected president for two separate clubs), and passion for teaching and training has shown throughout his scholastic and professional careers and translated into tangible results. One senior colonel remarked, "Patrick is a stellar achiever with uncanny ability to motivate and lead teams to breakthrough results."

Patrick is absolutely focused on teaching skills to students that they can immediately apply in their individual work situations.