

Tulane NROTC Commissioning Ceremony




*Sunday,
December 20th, 2020
1:30 PM*

*Tulane University Navy Building,
New Orleans, LA*



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Sequence of Events

National Anthem

Invocation

Commanding Officer Remarks

Captain Daniel J. Senesky, USN

Award Presentation

Lieutenant Colonel Timothy Huete, USMC (ret)

Oath of Office

Ensign Drury Remarks

Benediction

*Anchors Aweigh and the
Marines Hymn*

Matthew R. Drury

*To be commissioned
as an Ensign in the United States Navy*



Mr. Matthew R. Drury was born on September 5, 1998 in Atlanta, Georgia to Dr. William Drury and Mrs. Cheryl Drury. He has one younger brother, Jon, and two younger sisters, Paige and Darcy.

Mr. Drury enrolled at Tulane University in 2017, where he studied Quantitative Economics. He spent three years working with Tulane Emergency Medical Services, serving as one of their crew chiefs and assisting fellow Tulane students with medical emergencies. His billets in the Midshipman Battalion have included Squad Leader, Operations Planner, Recruiting Officer, and Command Master Chief.

Mr. Drury is service assigned as a Student Naval Flight Officer and will report to Naval Aviation Schools Command in Pensacola, Florida in March 2021.

CAPTAIN DANIEL J. SENESKY, USN

Commanding Officer, Tulane Naval ROTC Unit

Captain Senesky hails from Belleville, NJ. He received his commission from the Pennsylvania State University NROTC program in 1991, after earning a Bachelor of Arts degree in Broadcasting. Upon graduation, he attended Surface Warfare Officers School in Coronado, CA. He also earned a Master of Arts in International Relations from Salve Regina University in 1999.



His afloat assignments include: USS Pyro (AE 24) as the Boilers and Machinery Division Officer, USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70) as the OI Division Officer, USS Fitzgerald (DDG 62) as the Operations Officer, COMDESRON Two Three (CDS 23) as the Operations Officer, USS Higgins (DDG 76) as the Executive Officer, and USS Gary (FFG 51) as the Commanding Officer.

His assignments ashore include: Surface Warfare Officers School (SWOS) as a Combat Systems instructor, Commander Naval Surface Forces (CNSF) as the Training Innovation Officer, Chief of Naval Operations Surface Warfare Directorate (OPNAV N86) as the Head of the Air and Missile Defense Section, United States Central Command Headquarters Operations Plans Division (CENTCOM J3P) as the head of the Central Gulf Branch, and Chief of Naval Operations Strategic Actions Group (OPNAV N00Z) as a member of the Navy Asia-Pacific Advisory Group. He most recently served as the Commanding Officer of Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek-Fort Story.

His personal awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit with one gold star, Meritorious Service Medal with two gold stars, Navy-Marine Corps Commendation Medal with four gold stars, and the Joint Service Achievement Medal.

Commissioning Oath of Office

I do solemnly swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States 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 on which I am about to enter, so help me God.

Special Thanks To

*LtCol (ret.) Timothy Huete and the
Tulane NROTC Alumni
Association*

The Unit Staff

*CAPT Daniel J. Senesky, USN
Commanding Officer
Professor of Naval Science*

*Capt Dorinda Pintos, USMC
Marine Officer Instructor
Class Advisor*

*GySgt Christopher Doyon, USMC
Assistant Marine Officer Instructor
Class Advisor*

*Mr. Larry Ferguson
Human Resource Assistant*

*Mr. Nam Cao
Supply Technician*

*CDR Daniel E. Nieves, USN
Executive Officer
Associate Prof of Naval Science
Aviation Warfare Advisor
Senior Class Advisor*

*LT Carlos Thillet, USN
Surface Warfare Advisor
Class Advisor*

*LT Jeremy Jorge, USN
Submarine Warfare Advisor
Class Advisor*

*Ms. Keyshawn James
Unit Secretary*

Tulane NROTC

The Tulane University NROTC Unit was established in 1938. In its eighty-two year history, the unit has commissioned over 2170 Navy and Marine Corps officers. We are proud of our heritage and strive to live up to the patriotism, valor, and commitment demonstrated by those who have gone before us.

