

Paul Lushenko is a U.S. Army Major and currently serves as an Executive Officer to the Senior Intelligence Officer for the Department of the Army, Lieutenant General Scott Berrier.

Commissioned as an Intelligence Officer in 2005, Paul is a distinguished honor graduate of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, New York. From 2010 to 2012 he studied at The Australian National University as a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar. He received a Master of Arts in International Relations and a Master of Diplomacy, both with highest honors. In addition to earning the “Graduate Studies in International Affairs Thesis Prize” for the highest mark on the dissertation component, he was awarded the James Ingram Prize for Excellence in Diplomatic Studies. In 2016, he graduated first in his class from the U.S. Naval War College with an M.A. in Defense and Strategic Studies and was awarded the William Sowden Sims Award as the class’ honor graduate.

Since 2007, Paul has deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan with both General Purpose and Special Operations Forces where he has directed intelligence operations in support of counter-terrorism and counterinsurgency operations at the Battalion, Combined Task Force, and Joint Task Force levels. He recently redeployed from Afghanistan where he served as the Senior Intelligence Officer for a Joint Special Operations Task Force.

Paul is the author of numerous chapters and articles appearing in publications and journals, speaks widely on irregular warfare and regional security order-building, and also serves as an Adjunct Lecturer for the Australian Graduate School of Policing and Security located at Charles Sturt University in Canberra, Australia.

His military education includes the United States Army Airborne School, Ranger School, Military Intelligence Officer Basic Course, Maneuver Captain Career Course (Honor Graduate), and U.S. Naval War College (Honor Graduate). His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal (3 OLC), Meritorious Service Medal (2 OLC), Joint Service Commendation Medal with “C” Device, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal (3 OLC), Army Achievement Medal, Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal, Combat Action Badge, Ranger Tab, Parachutist Badge, and German Armed Forces Proficiency Badge (Gold). Paul is also a recipient of the Military Intelligence Corps Association’s Knowlton Award for significant contribution to Army intelligence. In 2018, he was inducted into the North Salem High School Hall of Fame for outstanding recognition in the U.S. Army and field of International Relations.

He is married to the former Lisa Roche and has three girls: Evelyn (6), Madison (4), and Sydney (2).