

Major Brandon J. Gorman is originally from Charlotte, North Carolina and is a graduate of the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill with a Bachelor of Arts in Economics and a Minor in Business Administration. In August 2000, he enlisted in the Marine Corps and attended basic training at Parris Island, SC. He attended infantry training at School of Infantry East (SOI-E) and was assigned to Second Battalion, Sixth Marines in Camp Lejeune, NC. He served as a gunner and vehicle commander with a combined anti-armor team through the rank of Corporal. In December 2001, he was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant through the Enlisted Commissioning Program. Upon completion of The Basic School and Infantry Officer Course he was assigned the MOS of 0302, Infantry Officer. In November 2002, Second Lieutenant Gorman reported to Second Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion, Camp Lejeune, NC. From 2003 to 2005, he deployed in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM I (OIF), Operation SECURE TOMORROW (Haiti), and OIF 4.6. During this assignment he served as a platoon commander, executive officer, and assistant operations officer.

In August 2005, First Lieutenant Gorman reported to SOI-E, Camp Geiger, NC where he served as a Company Commander with Hotel Company, Marine Combat Training Battalion and Company Commander Student Administration Company, Headquarters and Support Battalion. In August 2008, following his tour at SOI-E, Captain Gorman reported to Expeditionary Warfare School, Quantico, VA as a student.

In May 2009, Captain Gorman was assigned to Company E, Second Battalion, Second Marines, Camp Lejeune, NC where he served as Company Commander. From October 2009 to May 2010, Captain Gorman deployed to Southern Helmand Province, Afghanistan in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM 9.1. From March 2011 to February 2012, Captain Gorman deployed with the 22d Marine Expeditionary Unit as the Mechanized Company Commander and Commander of Troops for the USS WHIDBEY ISLAND (LSD-41) in support of Operation UNIFIED PROTECTOR and Landing Force Fifth and Sixth Fleet. Major Gorman was promoted to his current rank in April 2012 and assumed command of Recruiting Station Raleigh, NC on 20 June 2012.

Major Gorman's personal decorations include the Bronze Star with combat distinguishing device, Navy and Marine Commendation Medal with one Gold Star, the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal with one Gold Star, Combat Action Ribbon with two Gold Stars, Letter of Commendation (x3), and the Colonel Powers Leadership Award.