

Josh Altman

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Anduril Industries

Director, Government Relations

Sep 2025 – Present
Washington, DC

- Develop and execute engagement strategy with Members of Congress, committee staff, and congressional Leadership teams to increase support for budgetary and policy requests with direct and material impacts on company priorities. Active TS/SCI.

Georgia Institute of Technology

Professor of the Practice, Sam Nunn School of International Affairs

Aug 2025 – Present
*Atlanta, GA and
Washington, DC*

- Support programming and initiatives of the Georgia Tech DC program.
- Developing masters-level course on the U.S. Congress and its role in national security and foreign policy.
- Consult on the planning and execution of Nunn School events in Atlanta and DC.

Armaments Research Company, Inc.

Chief of Staff

Mar 2025 – Aug 2025
Washington, DC

- Advised the CEO and leadership team of a defense-focused technology company. Supported executive leadership team in the management of company growth strategy, budget, programs, staffing, and marketing.
- Drove company-wide strategic initiatives, decision-making processes, and company operations.
- Managed government relations strategy, including coordination of external consultants, resulting in \$5 million appropriation add in the House of Representatives for ARC's capability.

Office of the Secretary of Defense

Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Senate Affairs (Acting)

Feb 2024 – Jan 2025
*Sep 2024 – Jan 2025
Washington, DC*

- Led Department of Defense strategic engagement with the United States Senate on behalf of the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs.
- Managed DoD relationship with Senate and Senate Armed Services Committee leadership in support of Department priorities, including the annual National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA).
- Awarded the Office of the Secretary of Defense Exceptional Service Medal.

Policy Team Chief, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Legislative Affairs

*Feb 2024 – Sep 2024
Washington, DC*

- Primary legislative advisor to the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy (OUSD-Policy).
- Led team of six action officers managing OUSD-Policy congressional engagement and oversight.
- Managed strategic legislative engagement related to several pressing national security issues, including assistance to Ukraine, AUKUS, conflict in the Middle East, U.S. security cooperation with partners and allies, U.S. strategy in the Indo-Pacific, and the successful nomination of the first Assistant Secretary for Cyber Policy.

United States Senate

National Security Advisor, Office of United States Senator Jon Ossoff (D-GA)

May 2021 – Feb 2024
*Mar 2023–Feb 2024
Washington, DC and
Georgia*

- Senior policy advisor and project manager to the senior senator from Georgia. Managed legislative and policy matters related to defense, foreign policy, homeland security, and veterans' affairs.
- Supervised the senator's National Security Team, including a Legislative Correspondent and four fellows.
- Led the senator's NDAA and national security appropriations efforts, and engagement with the Departments of Defense and State, Senate Armed Services Committee, and Senate Foreign Relations Committee. Accompanied and advised senator on congressional delegation to the United Kingdom.
- Served as lead manager for the senator's service on the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee.

Military Legislative Assistant, Office of United States Senator Jon Ossoff (D-GA)

*Dec 2021–Mar 2023
Washington, DC and
Georgia*

- Principal defense, veterans, foreign policy advisor and project manager. Supervised Legislative Aide.
- Led successful bipartisan legislative, oversight, and appropriations efforts, including initiatives to establish a cybersecurity education grant program, fund military facilities repair and Georgia military construction projects, improve access to veterans' mental health care, and increase resources for the Defense Innovation Unit.
- Accompanied and advised senator on congressional delegation to India.

Legislative Aide, Office of United States Senator Jon Ossoff (D-GA)

*May 2021–Nov 2021
Washington, DC and
Georgia*

- Established Senator Ossoff's initial defense, foreign affairs, and homeland security policy team.
- Developed the senator's initial national security priorities, including policy proposals for the NDAA.
- Accompanied and advised the senator on congressional delegation to Lebanon, Israel, Tunisia, and Greece.

Harvard Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs

Graduate Student Research Assistant to Gen. Joseph Dunford, Former Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff

- Served as research assistant to Belfer Senior Fellow Gen. Joseph Dunford during his time as co-chair of the congressionally mandated Afghanistan Study Group at the U.S. Institute of Peace (USIP).
- Awarded USIP Special Service Award.

May 2020 – Apr 2021

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Cambridge, MA*

Lead Teaching Assistant to Secretary Ash Carter, Former Secretary of Defense

- Managed 4-person teaching team in support of Sec. Carter's graduate level courses on technology policy and the national security enterprise.

*May 2020 – Apr 2021
Cambridge, MA*

United States Army

Captain, Battalion Air Operations Officer, 82nd Airborne Division

- Primary air and logistics operations and planning officer for an airborne infantry battalion. Supervised a 3-soldier team.
- Planned and supervised logistics operations for a 500-paratrooper airborne assault and 2-week training exercise in a simulated-combat environment.
- Supervised and managed day-of coordination for 3 successful 500-paratrooper airborne exercises.
- Directed battalion initiative to identify and eliminate excess/broken equipment, resulting in the removal or transfer of \$4 million worth of unnecessary/obsolete weapons and equipment from property inventory.
- Qualified as a Jumpmaster and earned Senior Military Parachutist designation.

Jul 2014 – Jun 2019

*May 2018–May 2019
Ft. Bragg, NC*

First Lieutenant, Company Executive Officer, 82nd Airborne Division

- Second-in-command of a 190-paratrooper infantry headquarters company. Responsible for operations, plans, and sustainment of the battalion reconnaissance, mortars, and medical platoons, and the battalion staff.
- Rated #1 of 31 lieutenants by Battalion Commander, received “Most Qualified” on annual evaluation report.
- Supervised a short-notice movement of weapons and equipment for a combat deployment in Afghanistan. Executed a four month-deployment sequence in less than three weeks.
- Assumed command of company in Afghanistan for two months, supervising all company operations, managing \$5 million of theater-issued equipment, and overseeing redeployment of all personnel and equipment.

*Feb 2017–May 2018
Ft. Bragg and
Afghanistan*

First Lieutenant, Rifle Platoon Leader, 1-504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division

- Led a 40-paratrooper airborne infantry platoon. Responsible for tactical command, operational readiness, training, administration, and morale. Managed and evaluated team of 13 non-commissioned officers.
- Planned and directed platoon's participation in an intensive infantry training cycle, including 5 live-fire maneuver exercises, 10 airborne assault exercises and a 30-day trans-Atlantic airborne exercise in Europe.

*Dec 2015–Feb 2017
Ft. Bragg, NC*

Second Lieutenant, Junior Officer/Military Student, 199th Infantry Brigade, Maneuver Center of Excellence

- Commissioned as a Regular Army Infantry Officer. Successfully completed Basic Combat Training, Officer Candidate School, Infantry Basic Officer Leaders Course, Airborne School, and Army Ranger School.
- Distinguished Military Graduate and Academic Honor Graduate, Army Officer Candidate School.

*Jul 2014–Nov 2015
Ft. Benning, GA*

Teach For America

Corps Member/Secondary Mathematics Teacher

- Taught Geometry/Algebra II at a Title I public high school. Implemented data-driven planning and instruction.
- Coached varsity and junior varsity football. Served as mentor to first-year corps members.

Jan 2012 – Jun 2014
*Jun 2012 – Jun 2014
Jacksonville, FL*

Government Affairs Fellow

- Supported Washington-based federal relations team execute advocacy initiatives in support of legislative and appropriations priorities before the U.S. Congress.

*Jan 2012 – May 2012
Washington, DC*

EDUCATION

Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School of Government

Master in Public Policy, International and Global Affairs

- Graduate Student Fellow, Center for Public Leadership

May 2021
Cambridge, MA

George Washington University, Columbian College of Arts and Sciences

Bachelor of Science, Economics, summa cum laude

Jan 2012
Washington, DC

OTHER AFFILIATIONS

Council on Foreign Relations

Term Member

Jun 2025 – Present
Washington, DC

Truman National Security Project

Defense Council Member

Feb 2020 – Present
Washington, DC