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PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

2019 – Present. Associate Professor of Political Science, Texas A&M University – Corpus Christi

2017 – 2019. Veterans Resource Coordinator, Texas A&M University – Corpus Christi

2014 – 2019. Assistant Professor of Political Science, Texas A&M University – Corpus Christi

2013-2014. Visiting Assistant Professor. Texas A&M University – Corpus Christi

2012 – 2013. Instructor. Texas Tech University

EDUCATION

M.A., 2021, History

Texas A&M University – Corpus Christi, Corpus Christi, TX

Ph.D., 2012, Political Science

Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX

M.A., 2009 Political Science,

Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX

B.S., 2000, History

Engineering Track in Computer Science

United States Military Academy, West Point, NY

RESEARCH

Publications:

Dillard, R. J. (2014). When Aid Fails: The Unsuccessful U.S. Attempt to Coerce Turkey through Aid Prior to the 2003 Invasion of Iraq. *Alternatives: The Turkish Journal of International Relations*, 12(1), 32-47.

Dillard, R. J., Yu, H. H. (2016) “Best Practices in Student Veteran Education: Making a Veteran Friendly Institution.” In the *Journal of Continuing Higher Education*.

Smith, D. R., Dillard, R. J. (2016) “Coinage, Weights and Measures” in *The Powers of the US Congress: Where Constitutional Authority Begins and Ends*. Santa Barbara, CA:ABC-CLIO.

Dillard, R. J., Yu, H. H. (2018) “Bridging the Gap: The Impact of Faculty Professional Development and Student Veterans Success.” In the *Journal of Continuing Higher Education*.

Conference Presentations:

“U.S. Military Transfers and Their Effect of Democratization” Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference in Chicago, April, 2009.

“The Impact of War Onset on U.S. Foreign Aid Provision” Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference in Chicago, April 2010.

“Can U.S. Foreign Aid Policy Reverse the Tide of Anti-Americanism?” Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference in Chicago, April, 2011.

“Letting Them Rule Themselves: Aid for Good Governance Across Latin America” Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference in Chicago, 2014.

"Aid and Perceptions of Corruption" Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference in Chicago, Il., 2015.

“Governor Edmund J. Davis and the Failure of Reconstruction in Texas” Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, April, 2021.

University Publications:

TAMU-CC Student Veterans Handbook, 2016-2017.

TAMU-CC Student Veterans Handbook, 2017-2018.

TAMU-CC Student Veterans Handbook, 2018-2019.

Grant Work:

Dillard, Robert J (Co-Principal), Smith, David R (Co-Principal), "Tobacco Prevention and Control Coalition Project," Sponsored by Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse - Coastal Bend, \$36,000.00. (September 1, 2015 – August 31, 2016).

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Yu, Helen (Co-Principal), Dillard, Robert J (Co-Principal), "The Green Zone Program," Sponsored by Aurora Foundation, \$5,000.00. (December 2015). Pending.

Research Interests

Texas Political History

U.S. Foreign Aid Policy

Military Veterans in Higher Education

Media Contributions:

Print:

Corpus Christi Caller Times (September 7, 2015)

Article explaining the purpose and success of Islander Green Zone Training.

Corpus Christi Caller times (December 18, 2014)

"Cautiously Optimistic About Cuba"

Corpus Christi Caller Times (November 21, 2014)

"Synagogue Attack in Bigger Perspective"

Television:

Channel 6 News (August 20, 2015)

Interviewed for piece on Islander Green Zone Training. Explained the unique challenges facing student veterans at TAMUCC.

Univision (July 2, 2015)

Provided expert commentary on U.S.-Cuban Relations for Univision Noticias on July 2nd, 2015.

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

2017 Excellence in Teaching Innovation Runner-Up from Texas A&M University – Corpus Christi

2016 Amigo de la Isla Award from the TAMUCC Division of Student Engagement and Success

2016 Spirit of MLK Exemplary Award from the Islander Cultural Alliance

2012 Texas Tech Faculty Legal Action Association Academic Freedom Scholarship

2012 Helen DeVitt Jones Excellence in Graduate Teaching Award

2009 William Oden Memorial Political Science Scholarship

Courses Taught:

POLS 1301 American Government – Texas Tech University

POLS 2302 American Public Policy – Texas Tech University

POLS 3300 The Politics of Foreign Aid – Texas Tech University

POLS 2305 American Government - TAMUCC

POLS 2306 State and Local Politics – TAMUCC

POLS 4325 Latin American Politics - TAMUCC

PADM 5312 Public Administration Methods – TAMUCC

POLS 4322 Transitions to Democracy – TAMUCC

PADM 5300 Institutions of American Government – TAMUCC

POLS 3303 Contemporary Political Analysis – TAMUCC

POLS 4321 Comparative Politics of Developing Nations - TAMUCC

UCCP 1101 First-Year Seminar for Military Veterans - TAMUCC

Professional Associations

Member of the American Political Science Association

Member of the Midwest Political Science Association

Member of the International Studies Association

Member of the National Scholar Honor Society

Member of Golden Key International

Service:

Director of Undergraduate Studies in Political Science – 2020-2021

The Big Event – 2015, 2016, and 2017 Guest Speaker

Student Volunteer Connection – Island Clean, Fall 2015, Spring 2015, Fall 2015, Spring 2016

The Ward Island Wannabes – 2014-Present. Over \$2,500 raised for the Purple Door (formerly The Women's Shelter of South Texas)

Student Veteran Organization – 2014-2020, Faculty Adviser

TAMUCC College Libertarians – 2015-2017, Faculty Adviser

Green Zone Program – 2015-Present, Founder

- PTSD Panel Discussion, 2015-Present
- Islander Green Zone Training, 2015-Present
- Military Writing, 2015-Present
- Professional Interaction with Student Veterans, 2016-Present

TAMUCC Veterans Affairs Committee – 2015-Present, Member

New Student Veteran Orientation – 2017-Present, Coordinator

Committee for Faculty Teaching and Scholarship/Creative Activities – 2015-2016, Member

College of Liberal Arts Grade Appeal Committee – 2017 – Present, Member
Department of Social Sciences Service Criteria Committee – 2016-2017
Political Science Search Committee – Spring 2018
Political Science Applied Experience Coordinator – 2016 – Present
Department of Social Sciences Constitution Day Panel – 2015, 2017, Panelist
Island Day - 2014-Present, Volunteer
Kids Against Hunger – 2014-Present, Volunteer
Corpus Christi Vet Center – Spring 2018, Volunteer Guitar Instructor

Other Work Experience:

Humanitarian Assistance, Aid Sudan Foundation, Bor County, Sudan. 2007
Operations Specialist, Kellogg, Brown and Root, LSA Anaconda, Balad, Iraq. 2006-2007
Security Assistance Officer, U.S. Embassy Dushanbe, Tajikistan. 2005
Central Asian States Desk Officer, U.S. Central Command J4, MacDill Airbase, Tampa, Florida. 2005
Captain, O-3, Field Artillery, United States Army, Ft. Sill, OK. 2000-2005