



BOARD REPORT

3 Year Contract for Debra St.John Professor of Political Science Full-time Faculty at Collin since 1999

Education

Institution	Degree	Major
University of Oklahoma	Ph.D.	Political Science
Midwestern State University	M.A.	Political Science
Midwestern State University	B.S. Ed.	History

Prior Work Experience

Job Title	Organization Name	Date of Employment
Teaching Assistant	University of Oklahoma	Fall 1994-1999
Adjunct Professor	Texas Women's University	Summer 1993
Secondary Social Studies Teacher	Wichita Falls, ISD	Fall 1985-1994

Professional Development, Activities, and Publications

- Attended and participated, National Social Science Association (NSSA), Technology and Teaching Conference, Las Vegas, NV, Spring 2014
- Attended, Competency-Based Learning Symposium, Spring 2014
- Conducted, Skills' workshops on "Goal Setting and Communication" for Student Leadership Training for Phi Theta Kappa and other student organization, PRC, Spring 2014
- Coordinated and presented, "Train the Student Trainers", Phi Theta Kappa Workshop "Communication," SCC, Spring 2014, Fall 2014
- Presented and facilitated, Phi Theta Kappa "Demystifying the True Leader in You" Workshop, PRC, Spring 2014
- Presented, Leadership Development Initiative Academic proposal to Communication Advisory Meeting Committee, (CAM), Spring 2014
- Presented, Leadership Development Initiative proposal to Collin Leadership Team, CHEC, Spring 2014
- Attended, Texas Public Policy Institute (TPPI): 83rd Texas Legislature Session Review, Summer 2013
- Attended presentations, Dr. Scott B. Kaufman, "Ungifted: Intelligence Redefined" Session One and Session Two, Faculty Development Day, Fall 2014
- Attended, W.W. Norton, Professional Development Teaching workshop for Political Science, Grapevine, TX, Fall 2014
- Attended presentation: "Assignment Alignment vs. Academic Freedom," I am being Assesd by COAT this Semester: Do I have to use this Rubric?," Faculty Development Day, Spring 2014
- Attended presentations: "How Immutable Teachers Characteristics Influence Student Perceptions of Quality Teaching and Learning," "Academic Leadership: An Impetus for Organizational Effectiveness," "The Texas Right: The Radical Roots of Lone Star Conservatism," "Learning

Communities: Exploring Your Possibilities," and "Teaching Texas Government," Faculty Development Day, Fall 2013

- Attended presentations: "Iran in Historical Perspective," "How Do We Teach... Critical Thinking?," "Designing and Teaching interdisciplinary Learning Communities," and "Academic Leadership: An impetus for Organizational Effectiveness," Faculty Development Day, Spring 2013
- Attended presentations: "Cross-disciplinary Approaches to Creativity in Critical Thinking," "Collin College Rubrics for the Texas Core Objectives," "The Wars of Religion in 16th-Century France: Faith, Political Violence and Politiques," Faculty Development Day, Fall 2012

College Service and College-Related Community Service

- Serve, Council on Excellence, Fall 2013 to present
- Serve, Council on Excellence UTD Scholarships sub-Committee, Fall 2013-Spring 2014; Council on Excellence Outstanding Professor Classroom Observations, Spring 2014; Council on Excellence Outstanding Professor Qualification/Clarification sub-Committee, Summer 2014 to present
- Served, Dean Search Committee, Communication, Humanities, Social and Behavioral Sciences Dean, Spring 2014
- Serve, Online Advisory Board, Fall 2013 to present
- Serve, The Leadership Development Initiative Task Force, Fall 2013 to present
- Served, Discipline Lead, Political Science/Government. Conducted department meetings, kept faculty informed of State mandates and other relevant updates, Fall 2012-Summer 2013
- Presented/Discussed, Constitution Day, Fall 2012, 2013, and 2014
- Served as Panelist, Auteur Film, Black History Month, "Beast of the Southern Wilds," Spring 2014
- Authored, Study guide questions for Book-in-Common, "Escape from Camp 14," Summer 2014
- Authored, Study guide questions for Book-in-Common, "Full Body Burden," Summer 2013
- Serve, Honors Institute Committee, 2012 to present
- Served, Sabbatical Committee, 2011 to 2013
- Co-sponsored and served, panelist for screening of "Girl Rising" film, Fall 2013; and screening of "Miss Representation" film, Fall 2012, for Sexual Assault Awareness Month
- Co-sponsored, Student Service project, "Clothesline Project" for the Turning Point Crisis Center of Plano, PRC, Spring 2013 and 2014
- Authored and prepared, Core Curriculum Review, Foundation Component Areas Learning Activities and Assessments forms for Texas Higher Education Curriculum Board (THECB) for GOVT 2305 and 2306, Fall 2012-Spring 2013
- Presented, newly mandated GOVT 2305 and GOVT 2306 curriculum to Curriculum Advisory Board (CAB), Spring 2013
- Co-authored, assignment for measuring "Social Responsibility" mandate for GOVT2305, Fall 2013
- Served, Federal and Texas Government Textbook Selection Committee, Spring 2013
- Facilitated, Candidates for Lt. Governor Debate, Fall 2014
- Facilitated, Presidential Debate Watch Events, Fall 2012
- Presented, Banned Books Week Event, Fall 2013 and 2014
- Co-coordinated, Rockin' the Ridge, Fall 2012, 2013 and 2014
- Served, Certified Volunteer Voter Registrar, Fall 2013 to present

Leadership and Awards

- Serve as Director, Leadership Development Institute co-curricula/curriculum pilot program, 2014-present
- Awarded Dr. Debra St. John Engaged Faculty Student Scholarship, Fall 2014
- Co-authored, GOVT 2305 online course template, Summer 2013