Board Report



3 Year Contract for Ceilidh Charleson-Jennings Professor of Communication Studies Full-time Faculty at Collin since 1994

Education/Experience

M.S., Communication and Public Address, North Texas State University, Denton, Texas, 1986

Professional Development and Publications

- Published, "Where the Lost Dogs Go: A Story of Love, Search, and the Power of Reunion," Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, Summer 2019
- Narrated, "Where the Lost Dogs Go: A Story of Love, Search, and the Power of Reunion," Audiobook, Blackstone Audio/Blackstone Publishing, Spring 2019
- Completed, graduate course: "First-Person Journalism," Harvard Extension School, Spring 2020
- Presented, "Lost and Found: A Search and Rescue K9 Handler Finds Missing Persons and an Inspired Path Forward," Texas Community College Teachers Association 73rd Annual Convention, Frisco, TX, Spring 2020
- Presented, "The Honest First-Person Journalist in Memoir," Miami Book Fair, Miami, FL, Fall 2019
- Completed, "Improving Your Online Course," Quality Matters workshop, Fall 2019
- Completed, "Applying the Quality Matters Rubric," Quality Matters workshop, Fall 2019
- Completed, MasterClass course: "Bob Woodward Teaches Investigative Journalism," Summer 2019
- Completed, MasterClass course: "Spike Lee Teaches Filmmaking." Fall 2019
- Presented, "Grace Under Pressure: What the Search Dogs of 9/11, Shuttle Columbia, and Hurricane Katrina Taught Us About Emergency Response," American Bar Association Animal Law Zoom Conference, Fall 2020

College Service and Student Support

- Developed New Course: COMM 2303 Audio Production, Fall 2020
- Developed, updated audio production lab plan, Fall 2020
- Mentor, new adjunct and full-time faculty members, Fall 2019 present
- Produced, four video tutorials to assist faculty transition to online teaching, Spring 2020
- Produced, laptop video production tutorial for faculty, Fall 2020
- Serve, Communication Field of Study Committee, Fall 2019 present
- Serve, Health and Safety Fair Committee, Fall 2018 present
- Narrated, "Collin College 35th Anniversary History" video, Spring 2020
- Participated, Core Objective Assessment Team Assessment Days, Summer 2020

Leadership and Awards

- Received, Collin College Outstanding Faculty Member Finalist Award, Fall 2019
- Developed Template Course: COMM 1307 Introduction to Mass Communication, Spring 2020
- Received, Texas Library Association's Texas Topaz Award for Nonfiction, Spring 2020