

LYDIA HOWELL

INSTRUCTOR

Accomplished college level Instructor with demonstrated experience developing curriculum and delivering lesson plans to Political Science and Government classes. Passionate educator with successful history promoting learning through engaging lectures, activities, and assignments with measurable assessments. Experience working with multi-cultural populations while communicating effectively and concisely. Ability to build relationships across the campus with professors, staff, and students to improve learning experiences and community awareness.

EXPERIENCE IN EDUCATION

FRANK PHILLIPS COLLEGE, Borger, TX

08/2016-present

Assistant Professor of Federal and State Government

- Create curriculum and discourse to engage students from many diverse backgrounds on the importance of government, what they can do for it, what it should do for them, and how our government came to be as it is today.
- Provide a fun, interesting, and lively environment where students can learn from peers who may not believe like everyone else.
- Statistically evaluate student grades each semester to ascertain what works and what should change to further augment student success.
- Convene with multiple committees that explore the opportunities we can use to educate students on their level and meet the needs of the individual.
- Co-liaison of the Student Government Association.

08/2015-08/2016

Adjunct Professor, Federal Government

- Designed curriculum and lesson plans in accordance with the standards Texas implemented for college government classes including dually enrolled high school students. Integrated student interests with political relevancy and current events to promote engagement and learning.

06/2014 – 08/2016

College Advancement/ President's Receptionist

- Track scholarships money and donations received by the college on five campuses. Oversee and record investments while collaborating with the donors and scholarship committee to track Development Corporation funds and allocate funds after CD's mature.
- Lead meetings with the scholarship committee and ensure financial aid applies funds according to committee guidelines.
- Pioneered a new program for citizens within the community that were out of work. Promoted certificate programs and provided career assistance such as applying for jobs, getting financial aid and interviewing techniques.
- Scheduled and coordinated summer camps for children interested in local industry.
- Represent the college on the Board of Directors for the Chamber of Commerce.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

AMERICAN RED CROSS, RAF, Lakenheath, UK

05/2011 – 06/2014

Hospital/Dental Chairman

- Created and implemented a new database as well as reporting policies and procedures for volunteer working hours.
- Facilitated volunteer access to the Department of Defense network by creating a new security policy filter. Also improved cost effectiveness of security clearances by changing the manning procedures.
- Directed and oversaw over 70 volunteers including physicians, nurses and administrative professionals. Led community outreach events such as job fairs, fun runs, bazaars and school events to recruit new volunteers.
- Served and contributed to the Red Cross Advisory Board to deliver reports of hospital and dental programs.
- Implemented accountability of volunteers at the Red Cross hospital where none existed before. Partnered with squadron commanders to create and execute needs assessments in 21 clinics.
- Led training initiatives across six bases in England and evaluated employees to determine suitability to access DoD computer systems.
- Translated volunteer hours into monthly budget information in support of workforce planning.

MILITARY COMMUNITY YOUTH MINISTRIES, Turkey/UK

01/2008 – 09/2010

Volunteer Community Coalition Builder

- Administered a development program for middle and high school students. Organized trips to former Eastern Bloc countries to rebuild infrastructure in school systems in Slovakia, Poland and Czech Republic.
- Led two teams of educators during service projects and a team of construction workers to ensure project requirements were met.
- Conducted comprehensive training for over 50 leaders across the organization.
- Led small group discussions with students and delivered customized curriculum.

US DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, Incirlik Air Base, Turkey

11/2006 – 11/2007

Education and Training Technician – Incirlik Child Development Center

- Designed and delivered engaging curriculum to children with special needs as well as youth services program to develop participant's physical, psychological and social abilities.
- Created programs to cover five core areas: Character and Leadership Development, Education and Career Development, Health and Life Skills, The Arts and Sports, Fitness and Recreation.
- Trained employees in anti-terrorism techniques, information assurance and anti-human trafficking using Advanced Distribution Learning.
- Ensured facility and equipment were in good condition and monitored repair and maintenance.
- Managed conflict resolution between parents and teachers and communicated regarding program to a diverse audience.
- Tracked student performance and identified areas requiring additional attention.

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA, Norman, OK

Masters Degree in International Relations-Political Science, 2012

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, Adelphi, MD
Bachelor of Science in Research Psychology, 2010

Professional Development:

Workshop: What The Best College Teacher's Do

Workshop: Creative Schools

AFFILIATIONS

Member, Professional Women's Organization

Member, Phi Theta Kappa

Member, Beta Sigma Phi

AWARDS

VIP Woman of the Year by the National Professional Women's Organization in 2015

Citation for Exceptional Volunteer Service, American Red Cross

Volunteer Leadership Award, American Red Cross

Exceptional Service Coin, base commander at RAF Lakenheath, England for saving a baby's life.