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EDUCATION

University of Wyoming, Laramie, WY

Doctor of Education, Higher Education Administration (expected, 2025)

Louisiana State University (LSU), Baton Rouge, LA

Master of Arts, Higher Education Administration

State University of New York, Empire State College, Saratoga Springs, NY

Bachelor of Science, Educational Sciences

Major: curriculum, instruction, and assessment; Honors: summa cum laude

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Vice President, Mountainland Technical College

July 2018 – present

- Oversee offices of student success, communications, diversity and inclusion, government affairs, and workforce development for Utah’s largest and fastest-growing technical college.
- Direct efforts to secure college funding, including \$175 million in state appropriations.

Assistant Commissioner for Technical Education, State of Utah

2016-2018

- Directed all communications, student and government affairs for Utah’s technical colleges.
- Helped create a statewide scholarship for post-secondary career and technical education.

Communications Director, Utah Department of Workforce Services

2011-2015

- Supported a team that deployed innovative workforce development strategies.
- Implemented a comprehensive communications plan incorporating four major divisions.

Campaign Manager, Utah Governor Gary R. Herbert

2009-2011

- Planned and executed strategies that led to Mr. Herbert’s historic election as Utah Governor.
- Managed the operations and communications of a statewide team of paid staff and volunteers.

Chief of Staff to the Utah Lieutenant Governor

2005-2009

- Oversaw the operations of the office of the Utah Lieutenant Governor.
- Created early voting program that led to double-digit increase in voter turnout.

CERTIFICATIONS

- New Leadership Academy, *University of Utah* *(expected)* 2023
- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, *Utah Valley University* 2022

LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE (*Selected*)

- Mountainland Regional K-16 Alliance, Executive Committee Member **2018 – present**
- Mountainland Technical College Coronavirus Task Force, Chair **2020 – 2022**
- State of Utah, ‘Year of Technical Education,’ Chair **2018**
- Cottonwood Heights City, Planning Commissioner **2013 – 2018**
- Utah Governor’s Statewide Education Summit, Co-Chair **2017**
- Family Promise of Salt Lake, Board Member **2012 – 2016**
- Utah Refugee Advisory Board, Board Member **2011 – 2015**

AWARDS AND HONORS *(Selected)*

- President's Award for Excellence, Mountainland Technical College **2021**
- Best of State (4x), Technical Education [Institution] **2018-2021**
- Outstanding Service Recognition, Utah State Board of Trustees **2017**

PRESENTATIONS *(Selected)*

- *Strategic Planning in Higher Education*, Utah Valley University **June 2022**
- *Technical Education Best Practices*, National Governors Association Meeting **July 2019**
- *The Year of Technical Education*, Utah State Board of Trustees **June 2018**