# NATALYA (Natasha) V. DELCOURE

## Leadership Role

## Texas A&M University-Kingsville Dean, College of Business Administration Professor of Finance (tenured)

## July 2013 to present

- Chief Executive Officer of the College, overseeing academic, co-curricular, development, and recruitment activities for over 800 students, and research and development for 42 faculty and staff.
- Developed and implemented the College's strategic plan, leveraging internal expertise and nurturing new initiatives.
- Fostered diversity and high-quality personnel performance by hiring, mentoring, supervising, and evaluating faculty and staff.
- Administered and strategically managed College academic degree programs in alignment with business community and accreditation requirements.
- Developed strong partnerships with the Coastal Bend and South Texas business community through stewardship of two advisory boards.
- Strong fiscal stewardship: manage a \$10 million annual budget.
- Led school through successful initial (2017) and re-accreditation (2023) by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB).

# **Selected Leadership Highlights**

- Recruited tenure-track and clinical faculty, and staff.
- Demonstrated success in curriculum development and progression: achieved improvements in student success (retention rate is the highest on campus 72.8% vs. 66.8% campus-wide).
- Executed effective enrollment management: increase in undergraduate and graduate enrollment by 6.5% with no decline in admissions standards.
- Doubled the research budget to support faculty and staff development, summer research support, and data acquisition; incentivized College faculty excellence in teaching and multidisciplinary research (e.g., competitive summer research grant; USDA \$20 million grant with the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources to prepare the next generation of agricultural leaders; IRS \$ 50,000 grant to support VITA service learning project; DOC \$75,000 grant with the College of Engineering to support a pathway to excellence for minority students on supply chain management and logistics; the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality \$175,000 grant in collaboration with the College of Engineering to examine the uranium mining outlook for the State of Texas).
- Accomplished fundraising success and developed strong collaborative relationships with the College donors and the University fundraising staff: doubled the size of the college endowment to \$9.7 million and founded three endowed chairs.
- Established and successfully launched market-demanded graduate programs (e.g., MST, dual MBA/MSE), transcripted graduate certificates in Health Informatics, HR Management (aligned with SHRM requirements), and Business Analytics); undergraduate academic offerings (e.g., Banking minor, HR minor (aligned with SHRIM requirements), Supply Chain and Logistics minor, Financial Planning Certificate, Financial Analyst certificate, Forensic Accounting concentration, to name a few). The College Student Professional Development Program and

Immersion Experience graduation requirement currently serve as a foundation for the University QIP.

- Oversaw the creation of a summer leadership business camp for middle and high school students and the Banking and Business Career Fair, which catalyzes student success, internship, and career placement.
- Created the College of Business Administration Student Advisory Board to groom future leaders and build better connections between the students, faculty, staff, and alumni.
- Expanded the international footprint of the College of Business Administration.
- Secured funding and oversaw over \$5 million in improvements and classroom technology upgrades to the College of Business Administration building.

## **Boards/Professional Activities**

Texas Business Professionals of America (BPA), Board of Directors2024 - presentThe Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB International)2017 - 2023Board of Directors member; served on Articles and By-Laws Committee, Nomination.2017 - 2023Committee; chaired Finance and Investment Committee; chaired Audit Committee;Chair AACSB International, Chair of Associate DeanConferenceConference

Southern Business Administration Association, Board member 2020 - 2023

## **Other Professional Services:**

2015 - 2021	Institutional representative, Texas Women in Higher Education
2018 - 2019	Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, Field of Study Committee member
2018 Summer	Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, Field of Study Workgroup member

## Service to Academia:

2017 - present	Editor, Investment Management & Financial Innovations Journal
2013 - present	Associate Editor, Journal of Eastern European and Central Asian Research
2017	Editorial Board member, the International Journal of Business Accounting & Finance
2008 - 2011	SWFA Director, Treasurer, VP – Program Chair, President
2004 - present	Member of Editorial Board & Reviewer International Review of Economics & Finance,
	Review of Financial Economics; Quarterly Review of Economics & Finance;
	International Review of Applied Financial Issues & Economics, Journal of Business
	Strategies

### Awards & Recognition:

- 2016 Southwest Finance Association and Federation of Business Disciplines "Educator of the Year"
- Member of Beta, Gamma, Sigma; honorary member Phi Kappa Phi & Delta, Sigma, Pi

### Education

Louisiana Tech University	DBA, Finance	2001
University of Louisiana, Monroe	MBA	1998
Moscow State University of Railway Transportation (MIIT)	BBA, Accounting & Economic	s 1985

## Work Experience

San Jose State University, Lucas Graduate School of Business	July 2012 – July 2013
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# Associate Dean and Endowed Professor of Strategic Leadership, Professor of Finance (tenured)

Provided leadership and oversight for Lucas Graduate School of Business - the distinct brand - which included three Master of Business Administration programs, a dual degree program with the School of Engineering, three specialty programs (Master of Science in Accountancy for non-business majors only, Master of Science in Taxation, Master of Science in Transportation Management (MSTM)), and partner programs with the College of Science (Master of Science in Medical Product Development Management and Master of Science in Biotechnology). Align graduate programs with 2013 AACSB International standards for re-affirmation visits. In addition to the existing academic portfolio, in less than one year the following new graduate programs and concentrations have been developed and approved by the SJSU and the CSU Chancellor's Office: Dual MBA/Master of Science in Medical Product Development, Master of Science in Engineering Management, Healthcare concentration, Regulatory Affairs concentration, and Business Analytics concentration. Developed and strengthened ties with the business community and alumni. Examples of my direct and active roles in fundraising: cultivated three major donors; and secured a new location (the most prestigious Silicon Valley triangle) for the off-site graduate business program with the assistance of LGSB alumnus. Oversaw project design, and provided an interface between contractor and the College; IT, furniture vendors, University, and the College). Secured purchase of Customer Relations Management (CRM) database with the assistance of LGSB alumnus; expanded LAM Foundation graduate scholarship support (from \$20,000 in fall 2012 to \$80,000 in spring 2013); enhanced graduate scholarship support. Established an active academic program site delivering specialized graduate degree programs, serving the "technology corridor" in Santa Clara, CA, which created much-needed additional cash flows for the School and the SJSU, and strengthened the brand in a highly competitive market.

### University of St. Thomas – Houston, Cameron School of Business February 2008 – July 2012 Associate Dean and Director of Graduate Business Programs, Associate Professor of Finance (tenured)

Hired by the Dean of Cameron School of Business, the University of St. Thomas with a mandate from its Board of Directors to get the University accredited by AACSB. Shortly after my arrival, an accreditation plan was developed and submitted to AACSB. The implementation phase of the plan was completed in spring 2009. The School received its initial accreditation in April 2011, two years ahead of schedule. Initiated major curriculum changes following a comprehensive program review process; improved Cameron School of Business KPIs

#### Sam Houston State University July 2006 - February 2008 **College of Business Administration, Assistant Professor of Finance**

**University of South Alabama** Mitchell College of Business, Assistant Professor of Finance

# **Assistant International Comptroller,**

# September 1993 – May 1998 Benton Vinccler/PDVSA/Benton Oil & Gas, Caracas/Maturin/Temblador/Tucupita, Venezuela/Carpinteria, CA

Responsible for periodic financial reporting; handled day-to-day duties as needed including Accounts Payable, Cost Accounting, Inventory Management; training and professional development of accounting personnel.

#### Interpreter JV PurNeftegas, Tumen, Russia/Benton Oil and Gas, **September 1992 – April 1993** Carpinteria, CA

Responsible for Benton Oil and Gas translation of annual report and Form 10-K; interface with external

August 2001 – July 2006

auditors.

## Assistant Controller, Russian-German JV, Moscow, Russia/Düsseldorf, Germany

Responsible for periodic reporting; day-to-day accounting activities; general ledger, monthly reconciliations; and maintenance of the accounting database with data entry and reports.

## **Research – Refereed Publications**

1. <u>The Impact of Student Support Services and Student Life Characteristics on Students' Perceptions of</u> <u>Online Education.</u> with Colvin, R. G., Delcoure, N., Krueger, T. M., & Singh, H. (2024), *Journal of Higher Education Theory and Practice*, 24 (1), pp. 186-199.

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4. "The rise of sustainable, responsible and impact investing: ETFs and ESG" with J. Carmona and F. Haces-Fernandez, *International Journal of Portfolio Analysis and Management*, 2(4), pp.285-315, 2024. 5. "Random Walks in the Real Exchange Rates of 20 OECD Countries: Recent Evidence from the Panel Integration and Cointegration Tests" with H. Shirvani, *International Journal of Business and Economics*, Vol.7(1), pp. 9-23, 2022, https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.6338763

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10. "The Global Financial Crisis and the Determinants of the Turkish Money Supply" with H. Shirvani and S. G. Bayram, *The Empirical Economic Letter*, Vol. 17(5), 629-636, 2018.

11."So Many Options, So Few Choices: An Investigation into Business School Mission Orientations?" with J. Cicala, B. Oates, and J. Shorter, *Academy of Educational Leadership*, 2017.

12. "Business internship: a practical framework," with R. Karst and C. Longoria, *Business Education and Accreditation*, Vol. 10(1), 2018.

13. "Does Benchmarking Hinder Mission Diversity of AACSB-accredited Schools: Evidence from US and Europe," with J. Cicala and B. Oates, *Business Education and Accreditation*, Vol. 9(2), 1-14.
14. Oil prices and stock market: time for trial separation?" with H. Singh, *Journal of Economics and Finance*, Vol. 42(1), pp. 89-111, 2018.

15. "BRIC or CBRI: It just doesn't sound as sexy, does it?" with H. Singh, *Quarterly Review of Economics and Finance*, 41, pp. 230-239, 2016.

16. "The Random Walk in the Stock Prices of 16 OECD Countries: A Robust Panel Unit Root Test" with H. Shirvani, *Journal of Economic Studies*, Vol. 43(4), 2016.

17. "Case study of accreditation reaffirmation with emphasis on survival-focused prioritization for program assessment," with M. Sale and G. Scalan, *Business Education and Accreditation*, Vol.8(1), pp.1-

14, 2016.

18. "Determinants of IFRS adoption by companies in emerging and frontier markets" with K. Huff, *The Review of Business Journal*, Vol. 45(1), summer 2015.

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21. "Gains from international diversification revisited: closed-end country funds vs. iShares" *Journal of Emerging Markets*, Vol. 18 (2), Summer 2013.

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Shirvani and B. Mirshab, Southern Business Economics Journal, Vol. 36(1), 2013.

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29. "Integration: an elusive concept" with B. George, Journal of Instructional Pedagogies, Vol. 7, 2012.

30. "ETFs: Watching the weight," *Review of Business*, 2011.

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32. "Periodic Integration and Cointegration of the US Stock Prices, Dividends, and Interest Rates: A New Test of the Present Value Model" with H. Shirvani and B. Wilbratte, *Journal of Centrum Cathedra*, Vol. 4(1), pp. 65-76, 2011.

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and B. Mirshab, International Review of Applied Financial Issues and Economics, Vol. 2(4), 2010.

37. "The effect of strategic competition on acquirer's rivals following international acquisition

announcements" with K. Hunsader, *Journal of Financial Economic and Practice*, Vol. 10(2), pp. 29-44, 2010.

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# Leadership Training

2023 Fall	The 4 Disciplines of Execution
2021 Winter	Texas A&M Chancellor's Summit on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
2020 Fall	Texas A&M System Chancellor's Summit on Academic Technology
2020 Spring	CASE Advanced Development for Deans and Academic Leaders
2019 Spring	CASE Development for Deans and Academic Leaders
2019 Spring	HIGHER Austin – elevating women in higher education summit
2018 - 2019	Graduated from Texas Academic Leadership Academy- a partnership between the Texas
	Council for Chief Academic Officers and Sam Houston State University - inaugural class
	Fellow - an intensive, yearlong leadership experience.
2018 - 2017	"Leading in the Academic Enterprise" A yearlong workshop series, AACSB
	International, Tampa, FL: "Leading People and Organizational Change," "Developing
	People and Impactful Communication," "Strategic Thinking and Creative Problem
	Solving"
2012	Seminar for New Deans, AACSB International, Seattle, WA

# **University Service – Most Recent**

Chaired "Distance Education Fee" Task Force @ Texas A&M University-Kingsville; Provost and VPAA Search Committee; University Calendar Committee; Dean Honors' College Search Committee; Dean College of Arts and Science Search Committee