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Education

Texas A&M University - Commerce, Commerce, Texas

In Progress

Doctorate of Education

Higher Education

Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas

2013

Master of Science

Emphasis: Agricultural Education, Horticulture

Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas

2011

Bachelor of Science

Major: Horticulture and Crop Sciences, Minor: Secondary Education

Research Presentations, Posters, and Abstracts

Richards, C., Doss, W., & Rayfield, J. (2022, May). Comparing challenges faced by school-based agricultural education teachers by region. Poster presented at the annual National meeting of the American Association for Agricultural Education, Oklahoma City, OK.

Pavelock, D., Page, C. J., Vrazel, H., Nowak, Z., and Ullrich, D. (Poster). Professional development needs assessment of Texas' agriculture, food, and natural resources teachers. 2013 North American Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture Annual Conference, Blacksburg, VA. June 27, 2013.

Page, C. J., Krysher, S., Wolkskill, L. A., Pavelock, D., Ullrich, D., and Lau, M. (Poster). Correlation of SAT/ACT scores and estimated family financial contribution of Texas FFA scholarship recipients. 2012 Texas FFA State Collegiate FFA Convention, Corpus Christi, Texas (July 2012).

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Page, C. J., Krysher, S., Wolkskill, L. A., Pavelock, D., Ullrich, D., and Lau, M. (Poster). Does estimated family financial contribution correlate with SAT/ACT scores of Texas FFA scholarship recipients? 2012 American Association for Agricultural Education Conference, Asheville, North Carolina (May 2012).

Employment History

Senior Academic Advisor/Lead of CASNR Success Team 2023 - Present
Texas A&M University - Commerce

Duties include: recruitment of transfer and first time, full time students. Advising students on degree plans and career goals. Class selection, approving and applying course substitutions through degreeworks. Assisting students with petition of overload, authorizations for courses, and registration. Primary point of contact for "ROAR" events. Primary contact for campus partnerships with financial aid, admissions, etc. Meet with Academic Probation, Suspension, and at risk students in designated caseload. Assist students with semester by semester registration and issues including but not limited to, past due balances, financial aid, shot records, and housing. Supervision and lead of the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources Success team, where I supervise the other advisor and services provided to our students by our College Financial Aid Advisor. Troubleshoot issues students may have with courses, college, and interact with parents and guardians.

Courses taught:

AG 300 - Professional Ag Communications

Academic Advisor IV/Lead of CASNR Success Team**2021 - 2023**

Texas A&M University - Commerce

Duties include: recruitment of transfer and first time, full time students. Advising students on degree plans and career goals. Class selection, approving and applying course substitutions through degreeworks. Assisting students with petition of overload, authorizations for courses, and registration. Lead and advise students at new student orientations. Meeting with Academic Probation, Suspension, and at risk students in designated caseload. Assist students with semester by semester registration and issues including but not limited to, past due balances, financial aid, shot records, and housing. Supervision and lead of the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources Success team, where I supervise the other advisor and services provided to our students by our College Financial Aid Advisor. Troubleshoot issues students may have with courses, college, and interact with parents and guardians.

Courses taught:

AG 300 - Professional Ag Communications

Academic Advisor II**2019 - 2021**

Texas A&M University - Commerce

Duties include: recruitment of transfer and first time, full time students. Advising students on degree plans and career goals. Class selection, approving and applying course substitutions through degreeworks. Assisting students with petition of overload, authorizations for courses, and registration. Lead and advise students at new student orientations. Meeting with Academic Probation, Suspension, and at risk students in designated caseload. Assist students with semester by semester registration and issues including but not limited to, past due balances, financial aid, shot records, and housing.

Courses taught:

AG 300 Professional Ag Communications

Academic Success Coach I**2018-2019**

Texas A&M University - Commerce

Duties include: Registering incoming students at New Student Orientation. Meeting with Academic Probation, Suspension, and at risk students in designated caseload. Assisting with the PSA (Program System Admissions) cohort. Assisted students with semester by semester registration and issues including but not limited to, past due balances, financial aid, shot records, and housing.

Student Solutions Specialist **2017- 2018**

Texas A&M University - Commerce

Duties include: Answering and problem solving student issues related to: admissions, financial aid, student accounts, and registration. Provided real time solutions for daily student concerns and problems. Worked closed with the Financial Aid, Admissions, Registrar, as well as University College.

Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources Teacher **2015-2017**

North Lamar ISD, Paris, Texas

Courses taught:

Floral Design

Horticulture

Greenhouse Management

Principles of Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources

Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources Teacher **2013-2015**

New Boston ISD, New Boston, Texas

Courses taught:

Floral Design

Horticulture

Greenhouse Management

Principles of Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources

Landscape Design

Small Animal Management

Graduate Teaching and Departmental Assistant

2011-2013

Sam Houston State University

Department of Agricultural Sciences and Technology, Huntsville, Texas

Duties Include: Maintaining departmental inventory, ordering and managing handouts, supervising Agricultural Ambassadors, ordering and planning labs.

Courses taught:

Floral Design Laboratories

Soil Science Laboratories

Lectured in absence of faculty

Internship **2011**

Texas FFA Association, Austin, Texas

Professional Activities, Awards, and Honors

Academic Advisor:

- NACADA Region 7 Conference Attendee, 2021
- TAMUC Bi-Area CDE Contest, Floriculture Superintendent, 2020-Present
- Red River Valley Fair Public Speaking Contest, Judge, 2019
- TAMUC Invitational LDE Contest, Judge, 2019
- CANTON FFA Agriscience Fair, Judge, 2019
- NACADA, Member, 2019, 2020, 2021
- TEXAAN, Member 2019
- NACADA Western Region Conference attendee, 2019
- UAC Symposium, attendee, 2018

SBAE Teacher:

- National Quarter-Finalist, National FFA Creed Speaking Competition-Advisor, 2014
- New Boston High School- 2014-2015 Texas FFA State Officer Elected-Advisor, 2014
- New Boston High School- Greenhand Creed Leadership Development Event State Champion- Advisor, 2013
- New Boston High School- FFA Broadcast Leadership Development Event State Semi-Finalist- Advisor, 2013
- New Boston High School- FORD Leadership Scholar Selected, 2013
- New Boston High School, Area VI FFA President, 2013-2014

College:

- Sam Houston State University Sammy Awards, College of Sciences, Excellence in Service Award Recipient, 2013
- Texas FFA State LDE Contest, Judge, 2010, 2011
- Area IX Floriculture Contest Facilitator, 2010, 2012, 2013
- Texas FFA State Floriculture Contest Facilitator, 2010, 2012, 2013
- National FFA Floriculture Contest Facilitator, 2011, 2012
- NACTA- Graduate Student Teaching Award of Merit Recipient, 2013
- Nominee- Sam Houston State University College of Sciences Excellence in Teaching Award, 2013
- Sam Houston State University Agriculture Ambassadors- Graduate Student Coordinator, 2011-2013

- National Association of Agricultural Educators, Member, 2011-Present
- Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association of Texas, Member, 2011-2017
- North American Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture, Member, 2012
- Bruce Maunder Outstanding Senior in Agronomy Award, Texas Chapter of American Society of Agronomy, Spring 2011
- Outstanding Student Teacher, SHSU Department of Agricultural and Industrial Sciences, Spring 2011
- Outstanding Senior Agricultural Education Student, SHSU Department of Agricultural and Industrial Sciences, Fall 2010
- Co-Chair SHSU Delta Tau Alpha National Convention Tours Committee, SHSU Delta Tau Alpha, Spring 2010
- Sam Houston State University Delta Tau Alpha-Member, SHSU, 2009-2011
- Delta Tau Alpha National Southern Region Vice President, National Delta Tau Alpha, 2010-2011
- Sam Houston State University Agricultural Ambassador, Professional Presentation at 20+ schools per year, 2008-2011

FFA Member

- Roxton FFA Outstanding Chapter Member, 2007
- Area VI FFA Vice President, 2006-2007
- Roxton FFA Chapter President, 2004-2007
- Paris District FFA President, 2005-2006
- Roxton FFA Star Chapter Degree, 2005
- Roxton FFA Star Greenhand, 2004
- Lone Star FFA Degree, 2006
- Lamar County Junior Livestock Show Queen, 2005
- State FFA LDE Contest, State Qualifier, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006