#### **EDUCATION**

*Master of International Affairs and Administration* (2007) *Missouri State University* – Springfield, Missouri Area of emphasis: International Relations/Comparative Politics

Bachelor of Arts, Magna Cum Laude (1990)University of Central Missouri – Warrensburg, MissouriMajor: Mass CommunicationMinor: Political Science

#### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Missouri State University (2014 - Present)

Springfield, Missouri

**Vice President, Community and Global Partnerships** (July 1, 2022 – Present) Lead the Division of Community and Global Partnerships, which includes Research, Economic Development, International Programs and Broadcast Services.

Serve as Senior International Officer (SIO), responsible for leadership, administrative and financial oversight of all international initiatives and departments.

#### Associate Vice President, International Education and Training (2017 – 2022) Director, International Leadership and Training Center (2014 – 2022)

Responsible for international recruitment strategy, development of international partnerships, managing customized cohort programs, and ensuring effective international student support.

#### **University Service:**

- Shared Leave Committee (2014 2019), Chair, 2015 2018
- Globalization Task Force for 2016 2021 Long-Range Plan, 2015
- Strategic Enrollment Management Council, 2019 Present
- 2021 2026 Long-Range Plan Steering Committee, 2020 2021
- Employer Partnerships Work Group Co-Chair, 2021 2022

# Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce (1993 – 2014)

Springfield, Missouri

#### Senior Vice President (2013 - 2014)

Served as founding director of the Missouri State University International Leadership and Training Center through shared staffing agreement between the Chamber and MSU.

#### Executive Vice President (2004 - 2013)

Led all programs and activities in the areas of local public policy, communications, international business, community development and special events.

## Senior Vice President, Public Affairs/Communications (1998 – 2004)

Directed the Chamber's public affairs program, including federal, state, and local government affairs and legislative lobbying. Supervised communications program, including publications, website, and media relations.

## Vice President, Public Affairs (1993 – 1998)

Initiated annual community leadership visit program for business, education and government officials to gather ideas for community betterment and economic development.

## Office of U.S. Senator John C. Danforth (1991 - 1993)

Springfield, Missouri and Washington, D.C.

## *District Office Director*, Springfield, Missouri (1992 – 1993)

Represented Senator Danforth in southwest Missouri, managed constituent services and organized Senator's travel/event schedule in 27-county region.

## Deputy News Secretary, Washington, D.C. (1991 – 1992)

Served as assistant spokesman for Senator Danforth, responsible for media relations, writing and editing news releases and articles, and production of weekly radio interview show.

## **LEADERSHIP AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

**American Business Fellow,** Chilean-American Chamber of Commerce, Santiago, Chile Sponsored by Partners of the Americas/U.S. Department of State, July-August 2011

## Global Leadership Opportunities for Business Executives (GLOBE)

Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce, World Trade Center, 2008 Graduate

Center for Creative Leadership, Greensboro, North Carolina, 2000 Chamber Executive Class

Leadership Missouri, Missouri Chamber of Commerce & Industry, 1994 Graduate

## PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

American Chamber of Commerce Executives, Board of Directors, 1999 – 2002 Catholic Campus Ministries, Advisory Council, 2021 – Present Chamber of Commerce Executives of Missouri, President, 2002 – 2003 Missouri Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Board of Directors, 2001 – 2003 Rotary Club of Springfield Southeast, President, 2003 – 2004 Southeast Rotary Peacebuilder Initiative, Co-Chair, 2021 – Present Springfield-Branson National Airport, Board of Directors, 2005 – 2007 Springfield Sister Cities Association, President, Board of Directors, 2017 – 2018 Springfield Sports Commission Board of Directors, Vice Chairman, 2012 – 2014 31<sup>st</sup> Circuit Judicial Performance Evaluation Committee, Member, 2009 – 2015