

Curriculum Vitae

KELLY FILGO

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EDUCATION

Sam Houston State University

Master of Arts in Higher Education Administration

Graduate Certificate in Higher Education Assessment and Institutional Research

- Program focus on developing scholar/practitioners in educational leadership and research
- Graduated May 2019
- 4.0 GPA

Texas State Technical College

AAS in Aviation Maintenance

- 2007 – 2009
- Graduated with Honors - 3.86 GPA

The Art Institute of Colorado

AAS in Multimedia and Web Design

- 2001 – 2002
- Graduated with Honors - 3.75 GPA

Texas A&M University

Bachelor of Environmental Design (Architecture)

- 1986 – 1990
- 3.0 GPA

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Executive Director of Special Projects

Texas State Technical College

August 2018 – Present

In this role, I foster collaborative efforts between corporations, institutions of higher learning, government agencies, philanthropic associations, and the college. This is accomplished by linking the collective efforts of college leadership, faculty, and subject matter experts with our partners for project design and management of specialized efforts.

Since February 2020, I have been on special assignment as business manager of the TSTC Aircraft Pilot Training Program, managing an 80 student fixed-wing flight school and all of the details surrounding the closure of the helicopter pilot training efforts.

Since June of 2020, I have also been assigned to manage the regulatory affairs of the TSTC – Waco Airport.

Lead Instructor (formally titled Department Chair)/Aviation Maintenance Instructor

Texas State Technical College

May 2015 – August 2018

As Lead Instructor, it was my job to balance Student, Faculty, and Administration needs while casting a vision for our program and leading us to greater success. To achieve that goal, I research educational theory, collect and analyze data, and collaborate with colleagues to make informed decisions about my areas of responsibility. I report my progress to my chain of command regularly.

CTE TEKS Committee Participant

Texas Education Agency

Jun 2015 – Sep 2015

Served as a volunteer on a review committee for Career and Technical Education in the Transportation section. Made recommended curriculum changes to the relevant Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for high-school aviation programs. Those recommendations have been accepted and are pending implementation.

Assistant Department Chair/Aviation Maintenance Instructor

Texas State Technical College

Jan 2013 – Apr 2015

Handled all incoming aviation maintenance students, including advising and assisting students through the acceptance process.

Aviation Maintenance Instructor

Texas State Technical College

Aug 2012 – Dec 2012

My focus as a teacher is more than nuts and bolts, but how to succeed by having a professional attitude, developing a great work ethic, and cultivating a sense of curiosity in how things work.

Aircraft Structures Mechanic

L3 Communications

Nov 2010 – Aug 2012

- Heavy structures sheetmetal repair, installation, and alteration for the US Navy.

Aircraft Mechanic

RAM Aircraft

Jun 2009 – Oct 2010

- Airframe & Powerplant Mechanic performing major and minor repairs and alterations.

Director of Communications

Colorado Community Church

Feb 2003 – Apr 2007

- Worked alongside executive leadership and special consultants to define challenges of significant communications projects and produce the desired outcomes
- Worked with departmental leaders to support and enhance communications efforts
- Proposed and followed a fiscally responsible budget

AWARDS

- Chancellor's Excellence Award/NISOD Award recipient in 2015
- Three-time winner of the competitive SHSU Graduate Studies General Scholarship
- Outstanding Student in the Higher Education Master's Program Award in Spring 2018

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Member of Aviation Technical Education Council (ATEC) since 2015
- Board Member of ATEC since 2018
- ATEC Annual Conference Committee member since 2018
- Member of the American Association of Airport Executives since June 2020

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- Article published in ATEC Journal – FALL 2017: *DIY Simulations: The Case for Using Them and Where to Find Them*
- Presented at an ATEC webinar in 2018: *DIY Simulations: The Case for Using Them and Where to Find Them*
- Presented at 2018 ATEC annual national conference: *DIY Simulations: The Case for Using Them and Where to Find Them*
- Presented at 2019 ATEC annual national conference: *You're Doing it Right – Teaching Techniques*
- Scheduled presenter at 2020 ATEC annual national conference: *Elevate Your Teaching*

CERTIFICATIONS

- Airframe and Powerplant Mechanic Certificate – Since 2009
- Private Pilot Certificate – Since 2009
- Franklin-Covey 4DX Trained in 2018