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Courses Taught: Vietnam: Politics and Policy (Geo. of Asia/Pacific), Cultural Geography, Economic Geography, Geography of Africa, Geography of Latin America, Geography of Terrorism, Political Geography, Geography of Natural Hazards, Advanced Research Methods in Geography, Introduction to Professional Geography, Struggles for Justice: Peace, Human Rights, and the Environment in Central America, Geographies of culture, Tourism & Natural Resources, Introduction to Human Geography, Physical Geography, and World Regional Geography.

Research: Conservation Geography, Protected Area Management, Wildlife Protection and the Geography of Birds.

Service: Conference of Latin Americanist Geographers ; Board Member and Committee, member, Sociedad Mesoamericana para la Biología y la Conservación / Mesoamerican Society for Biology and Conservation; Board Member, DSU's Academic Council, member, DSU Faculty Senate; Chair/President,; Senator, representing Division of Social Science, DSU.s Institutional Review Board, member, DSU,s President's Cabinet, member Research Committee, member and Safety and Environment Committee among other services.

Other: Board Member, Friends of Dahomey National Wildlife Refuge. Elected Jan 2005 Supplied five expert witness affidavits (2003 – 2006) in support of Honduran political asylum cases in US immigration courts, and offered telephonic testimony once. Case conditions included domestic violence, persecution based on social group membership, and torture.