

# 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Texas Veteran Higher Education Symposium

October 12-15, 2020

## **Monday, October 12**

8:30 – 9:00

### **Welcome and Opening Remarks**

- Dr. James Hallmark, Vice Chancellor, Texas A&M University System
- John Sharp, Chancellor, Texas A&M University System
- Col. Gerald “Jerry” Smith, Director, Office of Veteran Services

9:15 – 9:45

### **Keynote Address: Ryan Rabac**

Vice President Marketing and Communications  
Student Veterans of America

### **Exhibitor Spotlight: George Bush Institute Warrior-Scholar Project**

10:00 – 10:45

### **From Prospect to Honors- The PATH to Promoting Military and Veteran Students Success**

Deborah Sikes, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center  
Kyle Chapman, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center  
Christina Chen, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center

11:00 – 11:45

### **Students that Serve: Best Practices for Supporting Guard & Reserve Students**

Alex Rodriguez, The University of Texas at Dallas

## **Tuesday, October 13**

### **Exhibitor Spotlight: Combined Arms**

1:00 – 1:45

### **The TCU Veterans Project: Increasing Empowerment and Visibility through Storytelling**

April Brown, Texas Christian University

2:00 – 2:45

### **Tell Your Story with Data**

Lisa Adams, The University of Texas at Dallas

3:00 – 3:45

### **Development in the Veterans Space**

Tyson Voelkel and David Fujimoto, The Texas A&M Foundation

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## **Wednesday, October 14**

***Exhibitor Spotlight: The Bush School of Government & Public Service, Texas A&M University***

8:30 – 9:00

***Texas Veterans Network***  
Mia Garcia, Combined Arms

9:15 – 10:00

***Serving Those Who Have Served: Career Center Services Aimed at Promoting the Success of the Student Veteran***  
Susan Keough, Texas A&M University

10:15 – 11:00

***Student Veteran Panel—Moderated by Montaigne Long***  
Shae Diehl, TAMU-Kingsville  
Taylor Holzheuser, Texas Christian University  
Schuyler Hopkins, UT-Arlington  
Jack Lee, TAMU-Corpus Christi  
Ashlyn Sharp, TAMU-College Station

11:15 – 12:00

***Recruiting Student Veterans to Your Institution—  
Moderated by Don Freeman***  
Joe Garza, Texas A&M International University  
Tila Jernigan, TAMU-Central Texas  
Denise Cason, The University of Texas at Dallas

## **Thursday, October 15**

***Exhibitor Spotlight: Team RWB***

1:00 – 1:45

***Extend your Influence with Advisory Councils***  
Lisa Adams, The University of Texas at Dallas

2:00 – 3:00

***Texas Veterans Commission Benefits Update Panel***  
Thomas Palladino | Sue Jevning | Charles Bryant |  
Melanie Moynahan | Linda Alexander | Andrea Watts |  
Randolph Binford | Donald Harris

3:00—3:30

***Closing Remarks***