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## **Education**

M.A., Public Administration, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, 2002  
B.S., Aerospace Engineering, United States Military Academy, 1993

## **Professional Education**

Command and General Staff College, 2005  
Combined Arms and Services Staff School, 1998  
Armor Officer Advanced Course, 1998  
U.S. Army Ranger School, 1994  
Scout Platoon Leaders Course, 1994  
Dismounted Armored Scout Course, 1994  
Armor Officer Basic Course, 1993  
Airborne School, 1993  
Master Fitness Trainer Course, 1993  
U.S. Army Air Assault School, 1991

## **Current Position**

Assistant Professor of American Politics, July 2002 – Present, Department of Social Sciences, United States Military Academy, West Point, New York.

Course Director, SS468, Political Participation  
Instructor, SS373, The American Presidency  
Instructor, SS202 American Politics

## **Previous Positions**

Special Assistant (Iraqi Elections) to the Center for Operational Analysis, Joint Forces Command, June 2004 – August 2004, Multi-National Forces- Iraq, Baghdad, Iraq.

Company Commander, February 1999 – May 2000, C Company, 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, 66<sup>th</sup> Armored Regiment, Fort Hood, Texas

Brigade Adjutant, July 1998- February 1999, 1<sup>st</sup> Brigade, 4<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division, Fort Hood, Texas

Squadron Logistics Officer, September 1996 – November 1997, 1<sup>st</sup> Squadron, 3<sup>rd</sup> Armored Cavalry Regiment, Fort Carson, CO

Assistant Squadron Personnel Officer, February 1996 – September 1997, 1<sup>st</sup> Squadron, 3<sup>rd</sup> Armored Cavalry Regiment, Fort Carson, CO

Scout Platoon Leader, May 1995- February 1996, 1<sup>st</sup> Squadron, 3<sup>rd</sup> Armored Cavalry Regiment, Fort Bliss, TX

Tank Platoon Leader, June 1994- May 1995, 1<sup>st</sup> Squadron, 3<sup>rd</sup> Armored Cavalry Regiment, Fort Bliss, TX

## **Awards and Honors**

Draper Award Winner and Top Graduate of the Armor Officer Advanced Course, Fort Knox  
Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society, United States Military Academy  
Meritorious Service Medal  
Army Commendation Medal (3 awards)  
Army Achievement Medal (2 awards)

## **Research and Publications**

“Summer in Baghdad: Part I” *Assembly Magazine*, NOV/DEC 2004, West Point, NY

“Summer in Baghdad: Part II” *Assembly Magazine*, JAN/FEB 2005, West Point, NY

“Military Service and the Larger Field of Civic Engagement,” *Six Practitioners’ Perspectives on Building Civic Engagement*, The Grantmaker Forum on Community and National Service, October 2003

“Mentorship in the Military: Not Everybody Gets It,” *Military Review Magazine*, Vol. 82, No. 6, (November-December 2002),