**TEXAS STATE VITA**

**I. Academic/Professional Background**

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| A. | Name: Helen Lowman | Title: Professor of Practice  Director, Center for Research, Public Policy, and Training |

B. Educational Background

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| *Degree*  PhD.  HDHL  MA  MA  BA | *Year*  2020  2021  2018  1993  1988 | *University*  Antioch University  Austin College  Antioch University  University of Denver  Austin College | *Major*  Leadership and Change  Leadership and Change  International Economics and Development  International Studies and Spanish | *Thesis/Dissertation*  Building Renewed Relevance: Portraits of CEOs Rebranding Iconic Nonprofit Organizations    The Environment of Mexico: Effects of a North American Free Trade Agreement |
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C. University Experience

**Texas State University-San Marcos, Texas**

Professor of Practice

PA3301: Political Institutions and Public Service (Fall 2022)

PA3301: Political Institutions and Public Service (Spring 2023)

PA3301: Political Institutions and Public Service (Fall 2023)

PA3330: Public Personnel and HR Administration (Fall 2023)

PA3350: Public Policy Process (Spring 2024)

PA 3301: Political Institutions and Public Service (Spring 2024)

PA 5361: Nonprofit Sector (Summer 2024)

PA 3300: Introduction to Public and Nonprofit Administration (Fall 2024)

PA 3301: Political Institutions and Public Service (Fall 2024)

PA 3300: Introduction to Public and Nonprofit Administration (Spring 2025)

PA 3301: Political Institutions and Public Service (Spring 2025)

Director

Center for Research, Public Policy, and Training (September 1, 2023-Present)

Associate Director, The William P. Hobby Center for Public Service (September 1, 2024-Present)

D. Relevant Professional Experience

**Peace Corps-Washington, D.C.**

Senior Advisor (July 2022-Present)

**Keep America Beautiful (KAB)-Nationwide**

President & CEO (May 2017-January 2022)

**Administration of President Barack Obama-Washington D.C. (July 2010-January 2017)**

**Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)**

Director-Individual and Community Preparedness (November 2015-Janaury 2017)

**Peace Corps**

Associate Director-Volunteer Recruitment and Selection (VRS) (August 2013-October 2015)

Regional Director-Europe, Mediterranean and Asia (EMA) (July 2010-August 2013)

**AFS Intercultural Programs/USA-New York, New York**

Vice President of Intercultural Education & Quality (December 2007-July 2010)

Director of Program Operations (December 2006-December 2007)

Director of Participant Support and Risk Management (November 2004-December 2006)

**Peace Corps**

Chengdu, China-Country Director (May 2002-November 2004)

Ulaan Baatar, Mongolia-Country Director (June 2003-March 2004)

Chengdu, China-Associate Director/Environmental Education (July 2000-May 2002)

**Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ)**

Austin, Texas-Section Manager, Event Coordination & Education (June 1997-July 2000)

Austin, Texas-Program Specialist, Clean Cities 2000 (April 1996-June 1997)

El Paso, Texas-Regional Coordinator, Texas/Mexico Border Outreach (February 1995-April 1996)

**II. TEACHING**

Courses Taught:

**Texas State University-San Marcos, Texas**

PA3301: Political Institutions and Public Service (Fall 2022)

PA3301: Political Institutions and Public Service (Spring 2023)

PA3301: Political Institutions and Public Service (Fall 2023)

PA3330: Public Personnel and HR Administration (Fall 2023)

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PA 3301: Political Institutions and Public Service (Spring 2025)

**III. SCHOLARLY/CREATIVE**

In addition to the publication of her PhD dissertation, Helen has written in published opinion

columns ([https://www.chron.com/opinion/article/Opinion-Let-s-clean-up-our-act-America-](/Users/helenlowman/Downloads/In addition to the publication of her PhD dissertation, Helen has written in published opinion columns (https:/www.chron.com/opinion/article/Opinion-Let-s-clean-up-our-act-America- 15216063.php?), provided interviews for hundreds of television, radio, and newspaper sources (https://www.mtpr.org/tags/helen-lowman), and given hundreds of speeches and presentations (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MTPn2H2bTIE), including the 2021 commencement address at Austin College (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bD83jngA9m4&amp;t=2615s).)

[15216063.php?](/Users/helenlowman/Downloads/In addition to the publication of her PhD dissertation, Helen has written in published opinion columns (https:/www.chron.com/opinion/article/Opinion-Let-s-clean-up-our-act-America- 15216063.php?), provided interviews for hundreds of television, radio, and newspaper sources (https://www.mtpr.org/tags/helen-lowman), and given hundreds of speeches and presentations (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MTPn2H2bTIE), including the 2021 commencement address at Austin College (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bD83jngA9m4&amp;t=2615s).)), provided interviews for hundreds of television, radio, and newspaper sources

(<https://www.mtpr.org/tags/helen-lowman>), and given hundreds of speeches and presentations

(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MTPn2H2bTIE>), including the 2021 commencement address at Austin College (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bD83jngA9m4&amp;t=2615s>). These links provide examples of some of this work.

**IV. SERVICE**

A. Institutional

**Texas State University**

Master’s in Public Administration (MPA) Advisory Board (April 2023-Present)

**Austin College**

President’s Visiting Council Member (January 2011-January 2014)

B. Professional:

**The White House**

President's Leadership Workshop Participant (January – June 2014)

**AmeriCorps VISTA**

Volunteer Leader (August 1994-February 1995)

**Peace Corps**

Education Volunteer-Thailand (July 1988-April 1991)

C. Community:

**World Neighbors**

Board of Directors

July 2023-Present

**PYXERA Global**

Board of Directors

August 2016 - Present

**League of Women Voters of Hays County**

Board of Directors

May 2022-April 2024

**Democratic Town Committee-Westport, Connecticut**

District 2 Representative

January 2017 - January 2021

**Better World Leadership Council**

Council Member

January 2020 – January 2022

**Osgood Center for International Studies**

Board of Directors

June 2010 - August 2015

**Council on Standards for International Educational Travel**

Board of Directors

October 2007 - June 2010

D. Organization Memberships:

**International Leadership Association**

January 2024-Present

**American Society for Public Administration**

August 2023-Present

**Chief**

August 2021-August 2022

E. Service Honors and Awards:

**Austin College**

Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters (2021)

Distinguished Alumni (2018)

**Peace Corps**

Distinguished Service Awards

January 2015-Senior Foreign Service onboarding program

January 2014-Senior executive leadership program

January 2014-Volunteer delivery system reforms and implementation

January 2013-Same sex couples initiative

January 2012-Re-opening of posts in Nepal and Tunisia