

CURRICULUM VITAE

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PRESENT TITLE: Assistant Professor in Surgery

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BIRTHDATE: October 5, 1978

CITIZENSHIP: United States

UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION: 1997-2001 University of Texas Austin
Bachelor Business Administration-Finance

GRADUATE EDUCATION:
2001-2005 University of Texas Health Science Center San Antonio
Doctorate in Medicine

POSTGRADUATE TRAINING:
2005-2006 Intern in General Surgery
University of Texas Health Science Center Houston
2006-2010 Resident in General Surgery
University of Texas Health Science Center Houston

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS:
2013-2015 Clinical Assistant Professor
Department of Osteopathic Specialties, Michigan State University
2015-present Assistant Professor
University of Texas-Houston Medical School

2013-2015 Core Faculty
Allegiance Health General Surgery Residency Program

HOSPITAL APPOINTMENTS:
2010-2015 Active Staff, Allegiance Health, Jackson, Michigan

2015-present Active Staff, Lyndon B. Johnson General Hospital, Houston, Texas

LICENSURE: Michigan (4301096159)
Texas (Q4275)

CERTIFICATIONS: American Board of Surgery #55908 (2011)
Advanced Cardiac Life Support Re-certification (2012, 2014)
Advanced Trauma and Life Support Certification (2005),
Re-certifications (2009, 2013)
Fundamentals of Laparoscopic Surgery, Houston, TX (2010)
daVinci System Robotic Training, Intuitive Surgical,
Sunnydale, CA (2013)
Single Site Robotic Training, Intuitive Surgical, Hartford, CT (2013)

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:

LOCAL:

2011-2014 Jackson County Medical Society (Jackson, Michigan)

REGIONAL:

2011-2014 Michigan State Medical Society

NATIONAL:

2010-present American College of Surgeons
2010-2012 -Associate Fellow
2012-present -Fellow
2012-present American Society of Breast Surgeons
2012-present Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons
2014-present Association of Women Surgeons
2015-present Society of Surgical Oncology

HONORS AND AWARDS:

Medical School

2004 Senior Surgery Honors Program

Faculty

2014 Certificate of Appreciation, Core Faculty Allegiance Health General
Surgery

2015 Certificate of Appreciation, Core Faculty Allegiance Health General
Surgery

SERVICE ON NON UT AFFILIATED HOSPITAL COMMITTEES:

2012-2015 Breast Disease Site Committee, Jackson, Michigan

2012-2015 Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee, Jackson, Michigan

2013-2014 Trauma Performance Improvement and Patient Safety Committee

Jackson, Michigan
2014-2015 Breast Cancer Clinic Work Group, Jackson, Michigan

SERVICE ON UT AFFILIATED HOSPITAL COMMITTEES:

2015-present LBJ Multidisciplinary Breast Cancer Tumor Board, Houston, Texas
2015-present LBJ Breast Cancer Work Group, Houston, Texas
2015-present LBJ Trauma Committee

SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY:

2011 Breast Cancer Awareness, Jackson, Michigan
2014 Breast Health and Cancer Awareness, Jackson, Michigan
2011 Live Centered Wellness Fair, "Ask the Expert", Adrian, Michigan
2011 7th Annual Heart and Vascular Expo, "Ask the Expert",
Jackson, Michigan

TEACHING RESPONSIBILITIES:

Medical Students

2015-present Lecturer, 3rd and 4th yr medical students at LBJ, benign breast
disease, breast cancer, preoperative surgical evaluation

Residents

2013-2015 Faculty Leader, Journal Club, Allegiance Health General Surgery
Residency Program

2014 Lecturer, Intern Boot Camp, "Incision and Drainage and excision of
soft tissue masses"

2014 Lecturer, Allegiance Health General Surgery Resident Teaching
Conference, breast cancer, colorectal disease, wound
healing

2015 Lecturer, Allegiance Health General Resident Surgery Teaching
Conference, anesthesia, breast cancer, benign breast
disease, wound healing, burns

2016 Lecturer, SCORE Breast curriculum, in-service training
examination preparation for residents

PUBLICATIONS:

Refereed Original Articles in Journals

1. Al-Refaie WB, Andtbacka RH, Ensor J, Pisters PW, Ellis TL, Shrout A, Hunt KK, Cormier JN, Pollock RE, Feig BW. Lymphadenectomy for isolated lymph node metastasis from extremity soft-tissue sarcomas. *Cancer* 2008; 112(8):1821-6. PMID:18306370

Other Professional Communications

1. Presentations

i. "Outcomes of Laparoscopic Ventral Incisional Hernia Repair" Society of American
Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons, 2010, Hollywood, Florida