FACULTY PROFILE

CSU College: Safety and Emergency Services
CSU Discipline: Information Technology

Basic Info
Name: Jimmie Flores
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Education
Doctor of Management in Organizational Leadership/Information Systems and Technology
University of Phoenix

Doctor of Philosophy in Human and Organizational Systems
Fielding Graduate University

Master of Education
Regis University

Master of Science in Educational Technology
DeVry University

Master of Science in Management
Regis University

Master of Business Administration in Finance
University of St. Thomas

Master of Nonprofit Management
Regis University

Master of Science in Computer Information Technology
Regis University

Master of Arts in Human and Organizational Systems
Fielding Graduate University

Biography
Background
Dr. Flores has held management and leadership positions in major companies including Shell Oil Company, The Prudential, and USAA. At USAA, he managed the $11.5 million budget for the IT department. He has extensive experience developing and teaching courses for organizations in the disciplines of Project Management, Human Resources, and Information Technology. Dr. Flores founded a global IT enterprise and has operations in India and The Philippines. Dr. Flores has written several books including How to Become a Proficient Online Learner. He has earned two doctorates and seven master’s degrees.

CSU Story
Dr. Flores has held a part-time position in the College of Business here at CSU since 2012, leading courses such as Information Systems Management (IT), Personal Computer Fundamentals, Maintaining Microcomputer Systems, and Organizational Theory and Behavior.

Hobbies/Interests
My hobbies are exercising, reading motivational books, and traveling! Over the past few years, I have traveled to Argentina, Brazil, Belgium, Canada, China, Colombia, Czech Republic, England, France, Greece, Hungary, India, Mexico, Panama, Peru, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, The Philippines, Uruguay, Venezuela, Vietnam, and throughout the United States.

I am very active in my parish, serving in hospitality and an all-men’s faith group. When the opportunity arises, I offer free professional development courses to the parish community and to the parish office staff.

Additional Information
Teaching Philosophy
As a college professor for more than 20 years, I understand the tremendous knowledge and skills of our adult learners. I am committed to integrating that vast talent into our classroom. I do this by asking students to share experiences in the discussion questions, assignments, and course projects. The goal here is to help the student bridge the gap between theory and application. I ask students to think about the big picture. I want them to consider how a change in one component affects other parts of the organization. The students must have a macro perspective when making decisions. When teaching my classes, I reinforce the importance of conducting business in an ethical manner. Finally, when teaching online classes, I am professional, proactive, and a problem-solver.

Advice for Current Students
I have taught online since 2000 and been an online student for many years, so it’s safe to assume I have seen how online learning has developed over the years. I encourage my students to reach out to me as soon as possible when they have a question regarding the course, assignments, or requirements. My door is always open for my students.