Educational Development Program Alumni Speaker Series Tuesday, March 20, 2012 4 pm, Horizon Room/Williams Center Ida Boyd "Critical Thinking"

A native of Brooklyn, NY, Lieutenant Colonel (LTC) **Ida Boyd** earned her undergraduate degree in Communication/Media with a minor in Sociology in 1985. While at Fredonia LTC Boyd was a member of the Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC), receiving her commission in July 1986.

In 1987, as a reserve officer, LTC Boyd was appointed as an Army Adjutant General Officer and attended the Adjutant General Officer Basic Training Course in Indianapolis, Indiana. In a non-active duty status, she served in the 301st Area Support Group in Queens, New York as an Administrative Officer, mobilized and deployed to Saudi Arabia and Kuwait during Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm from 1990 to 1991. Moreover, she was working as a Principle Administrative Associate at New York City Department Consumer Affairs in the Adjudication division from 1988 to 1994.

In May 1994, LTC Boyd entered active duty as an Operations Officer for the New York City Recruiting Battalion at Fort Hamilton, Brooklyn, New York until 1997. She then served 3 years with the 81st Regional Support Command as a Mobilization/Readiness and Personnel Management Officer in Birmingham, Alabama.

In July 2000 to 2002, she transferred to 9th Theater Support Command as the Executive Officer/Senior Personnel Management Officer at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. Thus in November 2002, she accepted an overseas tour to Honolulu, Hawaii and served two years with the 9th Regional Support Command as the Full-Time Support Officer managing active duty soldiers assigned to South Pacific duties in locations such as American Samoa, Saipan, and Guam. In 2005, LTC Boyd transferred to United States Pacific Command (USAPACOM) at Camp Smith, Hawaii as the Joint Requirements Branch Manager.

In 2006, she left Hawaii to work at the Pentagon in Washington DC as the Army Strategy Plans Officer. Her present assignment is at the Army Reserve

Legal Command in Gaithersburg, Maryland, where she is the Deputy G-1/senior human resource officer.

LTC Boyd's military and civilian education includes Transportation Officer Advance Course, Combined Arms Staff Services School, United States Army Command and General Staff School. She has completed her master's degree in Human Resources Administration from Central Michigan University, and is a Ph.D. candidate from Capella University in Organizational Management.

LTC Boyd's military awards include the Meritorious Service Medal (with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters), Joint Service Commendation Medal (with 1 Oak Leaf Cluster), Army Commendation Medal (with 5 Oak Leaf Clusters), Meritorious Unit Commendation, Army Superior Unit Award, Armed Forces Reserve Medal (with Silver Hourglass with Mobilization Device), Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal, Southwest Asia Service Medal (with 3 Bronze Stars), Kuwait Liberation Medal (Kingdom of Saudi Arabia), Kuwait Liberation Medal (Government of Kuwait), Desert Storm Combat Patch, and Global War on Terrorism Service Medal.

The EDP staff is proud that she is fulfilling the program motto of "Going Above and Beyond."

LTC Boyd will be honored as the **2012 Distinguished Alumni** of the SUNY Fredonia Educational Development Program (EDP) at its **30th annual awards ceremony Wednesday, March 21, at 4 pm in the Horizon Room of the Williams Center.** All are invited to attend.

The EDP Alumni Speaker Series provides a platform for EDP graduates to motivate and inspire students from a program and campus that have had a significant impact on shaping their lives. In addition to providing a means for current EDP students and other members of our campus community to interact with our EDP alumni, the event serves the purpose of highlighting the important work and success stories of our EDP alumni in varying fields. These special individuals continue to epitomize what it means to go "Above and Beyond."

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