

## Derek Preas



Derek Preas is the Director of Safety and Risk Management and serves as the University Project Officer for SSC Operations and Emergency Management Director at Texas A&M University-Commerce. He has been employed at the university for 11 years.

As Director of Safety and Risk Management, Derek is responsible for the university's Emergency Management, Institutional Safety, Risk Management, Environmental Management, Auxiliary Operations, Transportation, Fire and Life Safety, Key Control, and ADA Oversight.

As University Project Officer for SSC Operations, he is responsible for the oversight of the university's operations and small projects. This includes monitoring of contractor performance, project reviews and approvals, closeouts, and contractor payments. In this role, he is also responsible for the management of operational project's the university manages outside of the third party contract including small projects, service work, and construction.

Prior to his career at Texas A&M University-Commerce, Derek held leadership positions in manufacturing operations including management roles in Production Operations, Maintenance, Distribution, and Quality Assurance.

During his career, Derek has been a Volunteer Fireman, an Emergency Care Attendant, Youth Sports Coach, a Lay Speaker for the United Methodist Church, and a Cub Scout Leader.

Derek currently lives in Commerce, Texas and is married with 4 children. Most notably, he recently became a very proud grandfather to a beautiful baby girl.