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Dr. Althea Green (Dixon) joined the Uniformed Services University (USU) in November 2012 after serving thirty-five years as an active duty enlisted soldier. She serves as Director of Recruitment at USU's School of Medicine. Additionally, she oversees the Enlisted to Medical Degree Preparatory Program (EMDP2), a pipeline that provides enlisted members the prerequisite coursework and other requirements to be accepted to medical school. The EMDP2 - implemented in 2014 - is the first post-baccalaureate premedical program in the Department of Defense. Over 90% of its graduates have earned admission to medical school.

Dr. Green's military background includes duties within operational as well as fixed facility health care organizations, with leadership responsibilities at every level from tactical to strategic. She was the first woman and first person of color to be competitively selected as the Army's Medical Command (MEDCOM) Soldier of the Year, and culminated her Army career as the 16th Command Sergeant Major of the MEDCOM/Senior Enlisted Advisor to the Army Surgeon General and Commander MEDCOM. As the Army's top enlisted medic, she was the chief advisor and subject matter expert for training, development, and utilization of the enlisted medical force. In that capacity, she spearheaded significant force structure, education, and credentialing initiatives that benefited soldiers and organizations.

Throughout her career, Dr. Green has been well known for her ability to lead and connect with people of all ranks - military and civilian. Featured in *100 Sergeants Major of Color*, and *Transforming the Ranks*, Dr. Green's outstanding performance and positive influence on others have been recognized with membership in both the Sergeant Morales and Sergeant Audie Murphy Clubs, which are exclusive Army leadership organizations. She continues to teach, coach, and mentor military members and civilians in her new role. Dr. Green holds two faculty appointments at USU: Assistant Professor of Military and Emergency Medicine in the School of Medicine; and Assistant Professor of Education, Training, and Leadership in the College of Allied Health Sciences.

Dr. Green is a graduate of the US Army Sergeants Major Course (Class 47), where she received the General Ralph E. Haines award for outstanding student research. A first-generation college graduate, she holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Management, a Master of Science Degree in Business and Organizational Management (concentrations in both Human Resources Management and Health Services Management), and a Doctoral Degree in Educational Leadership. She is also a member of the Alpha Sigma Lambda National Honor Society.

Her awards and decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal, the Legion of Merit, the Expert Field Medical Badge, and many more. She was inducted into the Order of Military of Medical Merit for exemplary contributions to the Army Medical Department, and was honored as a Distinguished Member of the Army Medical Department Regiment. During her tenure at USU she has been a three-time awardee of the Dean's Annual Faculty Award of Excellence. Dr. Green is a member of the multiple professional organizations, including the American College of Healthcare Executives, the Society for Human Resource Management, and AMSUS – The Society of Federal Health Professionals. Her research interests include Diversity in Medical Education, Leader Development, and Nontraditional Education Programs.