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Dr. Gilbert M. Muñiz, a recognized expert in military medical readiness and medical education simulation technology, was selected as the Director of Administration for the National Capital Area Medical Simulation Center (SimCen) in July 2000. Today, he serves as Deputy Director as well as the Director of the Computer Laboratory and the Video Tele-Conferencing Advanced Distributive Learning Laboratory. Dr. Muniz was the project officer who managed the design, construction and initial operation of the SimCen. His additional current responsibilities include serving as the primary project manager for the new SimCen expansion project. The project seeks to establish a Computer Aided Virtual Environment (CAVE) designed to teach medical teams in triage, mass casualty and biochemical training scenarios. He is also the principal managing an Internet 2 initiative in collaboration with the National Library of Medicine and the National Institutes of Health. Dr. Muniz holds an Associate Degree in Nursing; a Bachelor of Arts (Political Science major); a Masters of Urban and Regional Planning (Health Systems Planning); and a Doctorate in Urban and Regional Science (Health Policy Analysis). Dr. Muniz also holds an appointment as assistant professor in the USU Department of Military and Emergency Medicine and the Graduate School of Nursing.