

Taft College
External Evaluation Visit Team Roster
Monday, September 28 -Thursday, October 1, 2015

TEAM CHAIR

Dr. Kevin Trutna
Superintendent/President
Feather River College



Dr. Kevin Trutna has served Feather River College and the residents of Plumas County, California as Superintendent/President since 2012. Prior to joining FRC, he worked for 14 years at Yuba College as Vice President of Academic & Student Services, as well as Dean of Math, Engineering, Science & Health Occupations. Kevin has taught mathematics at both Arizona Western College and Montana State University. In the community college system, he has also served as Honors Program Director; Director of Institutional Effectiveness, Research, Planning & Grants; Interim Executive Dean of the Clearlake Campus, and Acting President.

Kevin earned a bachelor's degree in Mathematics from Loyola University Chicago and a master's degree in Mathematics from Montana State University. He is also a graduate of the Doctoral Program in Adult and Higher Education from Montana State University.

TEAM ASSISTANT

Dr. Katie Desmond
Political Science, History Instructor
Feather River College

This is Dr. Desmond's eighth year as a full-time faculty member teaching political science, history, and sociology courses at Feather River College in Quincy, California. She currently serves as advisor to the Phi Theta Kappa honor society chapter and is a member of the Professional Development Committee. She also serves as the faculty writer on the college's accreditation self-evaluation. Dr. Desmond earned her Ph.D. & M.A. in Political Science at Northern Arizona University and her B.A. in Political Science at California State University, Chico.



TEAM MEMBERS



Ms. Stephanie Curry
Librarian
Reedley College

Ms. Curry has been a Librarian at Reedley College for 15 years. She has been teaching Distance Education courses for seven years in Library Skills and Technology and currently serves as the Reedley College Academic Senate President, and Co-Chair of the Budget Committee and a former Program Review Chair. Ms. Curry has been an active faculty member participating on several other committees including College Council, Student Success, Distance Education, Strategic Planning, Faculty Professional Development, Equivalency and our local Accreditation Steering Committee. She currently sits on the ASCCC Accreditation and Assessment Committee.

Dr. Wendy Bass
Faculty, Child Development; Distance Education Coordinator
Los Angeles Pierce College



Dr. Wendy Bass is the Distance Education Coordinator and Project Director of Title V grant at Pierce College in Woodland Hills, California. She obtained her Ph.D. in educational psychology from the University of California-Los Angeles. Her early research and publications explore early literacy, identifying and supporting children with special needs, and the importance of parent and professional support in helping children with cancer return to school.

Wendy has been a passionate instructor of both traditional and online courses in psychology, education and child development since 1998, teaching in both 2-year and 4-year schools in California. As Pierce College's Distance Education Coordinator, Wendy teaches online courses while establishing campus-wide pedagogical standards and operational procedures for online instruction. She serves as the chair of the districts Technology Policy and Planning Committee.

Ms. Dina Humble
Dean, Social Sciences and Arts
Long Beach City College

Dina Humble is the Dean of Social Sciences and Arts at Long Beach City College (LBCC). Ms. Humble oversees the areas of Social Sciences, History and Political Science, Business Administration and Economics, Performing Arts and Visual and Media Arts. Prior to her current position, Ms. Humble was a department chair and Professor of Music at Norco College and was a faculty member in the Riverside Community College District for a total of thirteen years.

While at Norco College, Ms. Humble contributed to two multi-million dollar Title V grants and developed innovative curriculum in the areas of commercial music and game development. Additionally, she was the inaugural curriculum committee chair, district curriculum committee chair and was instrumental in the writing of a curriculum process to transition from a three-campus district to a three-college district.



Ms. Deborah Kaye
Faculty, English & Accreditation Chair; Professional Development Director
Los Angeles Valley College



Deborah Kaye is the Professional Development Director at Los Angeles Valley College and has taught English there for 27 years. Since 2005, she has served as the college's Faculty Accreditation Chair. For the past seven years, she has served as Accreditation Liaison for the Los Angeles Community College District to provide information about the District for reports to the ACCJC and to assist the nine colleges with their accreditation efforts. She has served on five accreditation visiting teams. A writer and editor, she has had numerous articles published in magazines and newspapers and is the former editor of the LACCD Academic Senate newsletter.

Dr. Kevin Kistler
Dean of English, Basic Skills, and Child Development
Merced College

Dr. Kistler serves as the Dean of English, Child Development, and Online Learning at Merced College. Previous to his current position he served as the Dean of Instructional Support at the College of the Canyons. Dr. Kistler graduated from Bible College and Seminary with a bachelor's degree and a Master of Divinity and worked as an ordained minister for four years. Continuing his education, Kevin earned an Ed.D. in Organizational Management in 1995 and an MBA in 2000 from Pepperdine University, finishing Law School in 2008 with a J.D.

Dr. Kister's experience includes teaching math and language arts to Junior High students, developmental math and English to incarcerated men at the Pitchess Detention Center, English and public speaking at the University of Phoenix, and composition and reading at the College of the Canyons.



Dr. Joseph Bielanski, Jr.
Counselor, Articulation Officer
Berkeley City College



Dr. Joseph J. Bielanski, Jr. is the Articulation Officer at Berkeley City College and the Past President of the Peralta Community College District Academic Senate. In his role as a Past President of the District Academic Senate, he assists with various district institutional effectiveness projects. He serves on various college and district committees, including the college curriculum committee and the district Planning and Budgeting Council.

He has served and continues to serve on committees of the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges (ASCCC). In 2013 he was appointed by the ASCCC to the CSU General Education Advisory Committee in his role as a community college articulation officer. He also has served on the CSU Steering Committee of the "Give Students a Compass" initiative. He has worked in the Peralta Community College district for over

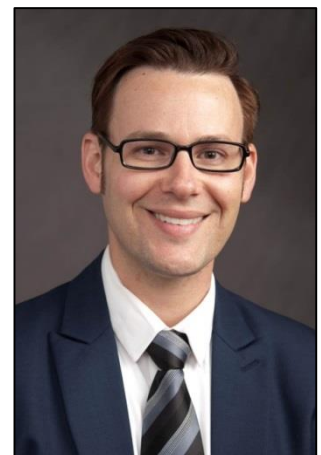
24 years, where he began as a Counselor in Disabled Student Programs and Services. Dr. Bielanski received his doctorate in education from St. Mary's College of California.

Mr. Joseph Simoneschi
Acting Assistant Superintendent/Sr. Vice President, Business/College Services
Pasadena City College

Joe Simoneschi is the Executive Director of Business Services with the Pasadena Area Community College District.

He oversees Fiscal, Information Technology, Purchasing and Contracts Administration, Property and Liability Insurance, and Auxiliary Services for the District.

Mr. Simoneschi has more than 17 years of administrative services experience, approximately three of which have been with Pasadena.



Dr. Monica Green
Vice President, Student Services
Norco College

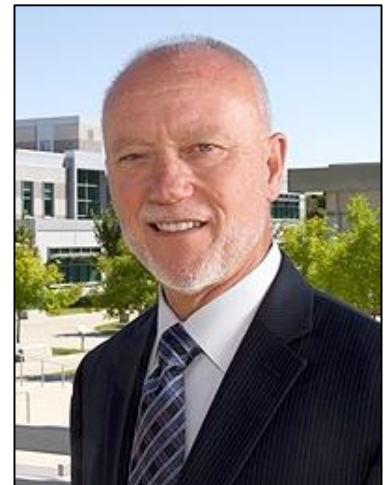


Dr. Monica Green is the Vice President of Student Services at Norco College. Dr. Green began her service at Riverside Community College District (RCCD) as a counseling faculty member in 2001. During her tenure at RCCD, Dr. Green also served as Interim Associate Vice Chancellor of Student Services and Dean of Student Services. Dr. Green earned her BA in Psychology and Social Relations from UC, Riverside in 1991; a MA in Rehabilitation Counseling from CSU, San Bernardino in 1993; and an Ed.D. in Organizational Leadership from Pepperdine University. Through the years, Dr. Green has developed and coordinated a variety of programs and services designed to promote student access and success, educational goal attainment, and workforce potential. Since 2006, Dr. Green has

served on and/or co-chaired Standard II steering committees for Riverside City College, Riverside Community College District, and Norco College.

Dr. Robert Kratochvil
President
Los Medanos College

Dr. Bob Kratochvil has served as President of Los Medanos College (LMC) since July 2012. Prior to joining LMC, he worked for 10 years as Vice President of Administrative Services at Las Positas College and spent more than 20 years in several management positions within the California State University (CSU) system. Dr. Kratochvil has had extensive experience and oversight in the areas of budget development, fiscal management, facilities modernization, shared governance, enrollment management, educational and strategic planning, campus safety, community partnerships, information technology, and accreditation. Dr. Kratochvil earned a bachelor's degree in English and a master's degree in Public Administration from University of Southern California. He is also a graduate of the Doctoral Program in Educational Leadership (Ed.D.) at California State University, Stanislaus.



Dr. Ann Doty
Former Associate Faculty
Saddleback College



Until July, 2015, Ann was a full time senior consultant for *Ellucian* in Academic Services serving as researcher, grant writer, and instructional designer. She has 34 years of experience in both four and two year campuses and 14 years in the California Community College system both as an administrator in research, planning and grants and as a faculty member in Kinesiology. Concurrently, Ann was on the board of the Research and Planning Group of California for five years working with others to design the architecture of student learning outcomes and effective teaching/learning practices. Ann received her

bachelor's and master's degrees in *Higher and Adult College Education* from the University of Michigan. At North Carolina State University in *Higher Education Leadership and Organizational Management*, her doctoral degree included research on organizational management and leaders, and her dissertation - *Stakeholder Expectations in Presidential Search Processes and Performance in Community Colleges* was the product.