



Alliant International University
California School
of Education

Advisory Board and Membership

Dr. Jin-Suk Byun, core faculty and assistant professor of TESOL at Alliant International University, has been appointed chair of the Advisory Board. Dr. Byun and Dr. Ken Kelch, System-wide Director of TESOL and Bilingual Authorization & CTEL program director at Alliant, have reconstituted the Advisory Board.

The board is comprised of education professionals whose knowledge and experience represents the breadth of teaching and learning contexts in the field of teaching English language learners. These members represent the areas of teacher training/research, higher education, and public and private K-12 education. These members are competent to speak on issues related to English Language Learners in the State of California.

The communication of the Advisory Board invitation is as follows:

Dear _____,

My name is Dr. Jin-Suk Byun. I am a faculty member in the TESOL program at Alliant International University. Dr. Ken Kelch, Program Director of Alliant TESOL programs and Bilingual Authorization & CTEL credential programs, has asked me to chair an Advisory Board for the TESOL, CTEL & Bilingual Authorization programs.

I am writing to you because we believe that, in your position in the TESOL and/or K-12 community, you would be able to provide us with valuable insights and perspectives on the state of English language teaching and English language learners in the California education system.

Therefore, we would like to invite you to become a member of the Alliant TESOL/Bilingual Authorization & CTEL Advisory Board. This board will meet by telephone conference call two times per year, for one hour each meeting.

At the first meeting we would like to discuss topics such as what the board members feel are needs of second language learners in the California education system, how your particular institution involves parents and/or the local community, how Common Core impacts your role with English Language Learners, and so on. Your views on these issues will be valuable in assisting Alliant in meeting the needs of our program candidates and making a difference in the lives of the students that they serve.

If you agree to serve on the Advisory Board, please reply to this email and provide your current title and position, as well as a brief paragraph outlining your professional background and experience. You will be emailed with specific day and time when the meeting is scheduled.

Thank you for your consideration. It is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



CTEL Advisory Board Members

The following educators have accepted an invitation to serve on the board:

- Jin-Suk Byun, Assistant Professor, Alliant TESOL program (Advisory Board Chair)
- Ken Kelch, System-wide Director, Alliant TESOL Programs, Director of Bilingual Authorization & CTEL Program (Advisory Board Vice Chair)
- Rachel Scherba, Diegueno Middle School in Encinitas, California, Alliant CTEL instructor since its inception in 2008 (Advisory Board Member)
- Mary Ellen Butler-Pascoe, Professor Emeritus in TESOL, Alliant International University (Advisory Board Member)
- Julie Goldman, San Diego County Office of Education, Coordinator in College and Career Readiness (Advisory Board Member)
- Stephen Cochrane, System-wide Director, Alliant Teacher Education Programs (Advisory Board Member)
- Shirley Baker, System-wide Director, System-wide Director, Alliant Educational Leadership and Management, CTEL instructor since its inception in 2008 (Advisory Board Member)
- Tony Serafin, 2nd grade teacher, Torrey Pines Elementary School (Advisory Board Member)
- Michael Chavez, Director Pre K-12 Educational Services, Duarte Unified School District (Advisory Board Member)
- Eliana Santana-Williamson, Director of ESL, Southwestern Community College (Advisory Board Member)
- Yuki Yamamoto, Instructor, San Diego Community College system ESL programs (Advisory Board Member)
- Mariano Rodriguez, ESL Instructor, Cajon Valley Adult School (Advisory Board Member)
- Lisa Basista, Dean of Academics, Director of International Student Services, Army and Navy Academy (Advisory Board Member)