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Biographies

REX TREWIN

Rex Trewin earned a bachelor's degree in Economics and Political Science and a master's from Indiana University in West European Studies. He completed his master's thesis work at Erasmus University in Rotterdam, the Netherlands in retraining downsized employees through community and government efforts. He then went on to work with people with disabilities to create employment opportunities.

Mr. Trewin began his professional career working with college students and employers in 1994 at Southern Illinois University in Edwardsville as their Job Developer for Cooperative Education. He then left to create an Employer Relations Team at Emory University in Atlanta. After several years on the college side, he left to assist Georgia-Pacific Corporation develop new college recruiting programs. From August 2000 until recently, he has been the Business Development Manager for MonsterTRAK, where he helped both employers and career centers leverage technology to improve their services. Since then, he has supported the National Career Centered Honor Society, Delta Epsilon Iota, as their national University Relations Director as well as developed, created and managed several university and diversity recruiting for programs for SAP, a business software solutions company.

TONY GERTH

Anthony Gerth earned a Bachelor of Science in Operations Management from the Kelley School of Business at Indiana University Bloomington. In addition to completing significant coursework in Germanic languages and culture, he earned his Master of Business Administration from Ashland University in Ashland, Ohio.

Mr. Gerth began his teaching career as an adjunct faculty member in the College of Business Administration at the University of Akron in 1989. His professional experience includes serving as a manager at The Timken Company from 1981 until 1993, a partner at Deloitte Consulting from 1993 to 2003, and a partner at Infosys Consulting, Inc. in both Houston, Texas and London, where he led the Enterprise Solutions practice in Europe and served clients in the U.K., France, Switzerland, and Germany from 2006 to 2007. Mr. Gerth is currently a Clinical Associate Professor in the Operations and Decision Technologies department in the Kelley School of Business here at IU. His research interests include global business practices and the changing models of organizing IT capabilities within organizations.

KALLAN PICHA

Kallan Picha grew up in Germany and Colorado, completing her undergraduate degrees in international business and German at Hastings College in Nebraska. She has studied abroad in Austria, Germany, Northern Ireland, and the Czech Republic, and her research interests include EU eastern enlargement and integration, European identity, and the German language. She is currently pursuing master's degrees in West European Studies and public affairs in European public policy through the School of Public and Environmental Affairs. Ms. Picha served as Research Intern for Benchmark Learning Products in Colorado in 2006, exploring international marketing opportunities for the firm. She is currently the graduate assistant in charge of student recruitment and alumni relations in the West European Studies department at IU.

SHARON

Sharon has worked for the Central Intelligence Agency for 24 years serving in several capacities, including five years overseas and two years as the Europe Program Manager with the Open Source Center (OSC). She earned a bachelor's degree in English from the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff and a master's in publications management from Drexel University in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Currently, she is a full-time recruiter for OSC with a focus on hiring librarians, geographers, and applicants with foreign language skills. She finds most appealing about working for the Agency is the opportunity to serve overseas, the ability to serve in several different positions, and the opportunity for life-long learning for professional and personal growth. Of all the jobs she has held in the Agency, she enjoys recruiting the most because it gives her an opportunity to interact with academia all over the United States and to make others aware of the vast career opportunities that the Agency has to offer.

ROBERT CUMMINS

Robert Cummins received his bachelor's degree from Indiana University Bloomington in Education and earned a Master of Science degree in business administration as well as a Master in Business Administration from IU South Bend.

Mr. Cummins began teaching in the Elkhart Community Schools before working for Miles Inc. in human resources from 1981-89. He then became the International Human Resource manager for Bayer AG in Leverkusen, Germany, subsequently working as Director of Corporate Compensation for Bayer Corporation in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He recently retired as Senior Vice President of Corporate Human Resources at Robert Bosch LLC and was responsible for approximately 23,000 employees in the automotive, household appliances, power tool, drive controls, packaging, and security industries. Mr. Cummins is a former U.S. Chamber of Commerce Labor Relations Committee member, served on the Board of Directors for Bosch Management Services, and was the North American Ethics Officer. He regularly conducted business in Germany as well as in other European countries.

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