

President’s Search Committee Volunteer

Name	Division	Department/Area	Status
Edward J Ahrens II (Ed)	BCAT	CIS	Part-time
	35 year p/t faculty, retired HP Director of Mergers and Acquisitions, member of IPBT, past member of Academic Senate Executive Committee. More than willing to give back to the school which has given me so much.		
Karen Chow	LAD	English	Full-time Tenured
	I am currently in my 3rd year of my 2nd term as Academic Senate President (first term was from 2010-2012). I have been a full time English instructor at De Anza since 2002. I get the most satisfaction from collaborations with others to engage student learning and build community. I started my service to our campus in planning committees such as APA Heritage Month (later termed APAX), and Women's History Month. Over the years, my service has included being English Department Chair, an instructor and peer mentor faculty coordinator for IMPACT AAPI, an instructor for LEAD, an Equity reviewer on Curriculum Committee, organizer of one of the Teaching and Learning Conferences, and faculty co-chair of DARE (Developmental and Readiness Education task force).		
Monica Ganesh	Language Arts	Counseling	Full-time NOT Tenured
	I currently serve in English Performance Success program as a Counselor working with mainly first-to-college and non-traditional populations, including historically underrepresented populations such as African-Americans, Filipino, Latinx and Southeast Asian students. My passion for serving students is guided by principals of equity, diversity and inclusion. I am also an active member of the AB705 Steering Committee, where we have worked in conjunction with other divisions to best serve our students needs and meet the new AB705 requirements. I also participate as a member of the Appeal Review Committee to provide students with an opportunity to appeal for exceptions. I am interested in participating in the President’s Search Committee as a joint effort to find the best candidate while bringing the student services perspective.		
Valerie Greene	BHES	ESCI	Full-time NOT Tenured
	My name is Valerie Greene and I am a full-time instructor in the Environmental Science Department. I teach both face-to-face and online courses. I was hired in 2016 and will complete Phase III of tenure this quarter. I currently serve as the BHES Division representative to the Curriculum Committee. I have held this position for 2 years. Prior to teaching, I worked as a biologist at the US Geological Survey researching water quality and plankton population dynamics in the San Francisco Estuary. Identifying candidates that support underrepresented population in STEM		

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	subjects will important. I am looking forward to hear what they have accomplished and what ideas they can bring to De Anza. In addition to face-to-face courses, I also teach online courses. It will be important for the committee to identify candidates who embrace and support new technologies and modalities of teaching that will increase college enrollment and student success.		
Melinda Hughes	Student Development	EOPS	Full-time Tenured
	I have served on numerous hiring committees as well as chaired tenure committee. Currently serving on the Faculty Association Executive Council Committee. In addition, I am currently the President of the Black Faculty ,Staff Association.		
Cynthia Kaufman	Equity and Engagement	VIDA	Full-time Tenured
	I would like to be on the hiring committee for the college president because I have a strong commitment to equity, I am willing to speak up and say difficult things when necessary, and I have a deep sense of the explicit and implicit politics of the campus. I have worked effectively with many of the people who will be on the committee. I can be blunt when needed, but I also am good at being strategic and focused on how best to be effective. I have been at De Anza for 28 years. In all of that time I have worked hard for fair and inclusive campus. I have served on many hiring committees, including several high level ones. I want to be a strong voice for an open and fair process that will hire a president who is respectful and has a collaborative approach to leadership.		
Sarah Lisha	Language Arts	English	Full-time Tenured
	I love De Anza College, so I am thrilled to apply for the President's Search Committee. Since I was a wee child tagging along with my dad to work at De Anza, I have dreamed of working here. My commitment to the campus grew when I came here as a student, and only increased when I achieved my dream of becoming an instructor here. Since then, I have worked with faculty and staff on Curriculum, LinC, IMPACT/AAPI, Jumpstart, DARE, and Title 3 to name a few. As for many of you, De Anza is home to me. My unique perspective as a former student and instructor has given me deep insight, appreciation, and dedication to the campus. If chosen for this committee, I look forward to helping De Anza maintain its bright future.		
Richard Lopez	PSME	Math	Full-time Tenured
	Instructor at De Anza for over 21 years. Served on numerous faculty and staff hiring committees. OE rep training within the last two years. Worked for several years in special programs such as the MPS (Math Performance Success) program.		
Roseanne Giannini Quinn	Language Arts	English	Full-time Tenured

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	<p>I have a long history of working with our students that I have cherished. I came to De Anza 31 years ago as a part-time instructor, returning four different times, before becoming tenure-track in 2010. Most recently, I served as English department chair during the demanding time of implementing AB 705. From 2013-2018, I worked in the Office of Equity as the Faculty Coordinator for Women, Safety, and Inclusion. I grew up in a bi-lingual, working-class, immigrant Italian household; I am the first in my family to go to college and the only person with a Ph.D. I am also a member of our campus LGBTQQIA+ family. If selected, I would bring my personal identity experiences along with the privilege of my decades of often working with our most under-represented student populations to the forefront -- with an eye toward integrity, collaborative fair-mindedness, inclusive excellence, equity praxis, and intersectional process.</p>		
Tim Shively	Language Arts	English	Full-time Tenured
	<p>As the President of the Faculty Association, I am perhaps in the best position to represent the interests of faculty as they pertain to our contract and working conditions generally, an important consideration in choosing a college president.</p>		
Maristella Tapia	SSH	Sociology	Full-time Tenured
	<p>I am part of the largest division on campus, have been teaching full time in the district for 15 years. I am the faculty coordinator for the first-year experience and served as faculty coordinator of the basis skills initiative (DARE) and also as sociology Dept chair.</p>		
Ismael Tarikh	SSH	Political Science	Part-time
	<p>Firstly, allow me to apologize for the brevity of this sincere appeal to serve. Under my immediate circumstances this is the best I can do to make the deadline. You all know some of my work from the Executive Committee. I vow to be open minded, fair, and thorough.</p>		
Susan Thomas	Social Science & Humanities	Psychology	Part-time
	<p>I have served De Anza students as adjunct faculty in the Psychology Department since January 2016. I have demonstrated my commitment to students, to equity, and to the De Anza community through continuous involvement, including Academic Senate Executive Committee since 2018; Chancellor’s Equity for Excellence Committee since its inception; and Faculty Advisor to the DA Active Minds Club (promoting student mental health and wellness). I have also participated consistently in professional development, including Teaching Men of Color in Community College; Promoting a Growth Mindset; and multiple professional conferences to live my value of consistent improvement. Finally, I am EO Representative trained. I believe I could make future contributions to the DA campus by seeking a President who is inclusive of all faculty, both PT and FT; actively</p>		

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	present and engaged in campus matters, and embodies the qualities the Senate desires. Please support me in representing faculty on this committee.		
Wendy R. White, PhD	Social Science & Humanities	Humanities, History, (Philosophy)	Full-time Tenured
	I am an African American, female/lesbian identified. I have been teaching at De Anza for 15 years. I teach Humanities, History and sometimes Philosophy. I have a demonstrated commitment to equity and educational innovation, and I actually made the suggestion to Chancellor Miner and a member of the Board of Trustees to engage in a "cultural assessment" and "visioning process" with regard to selecting our next President. I have served on the General Education committee. I was a representative of the Academic Senate. I was a member of the Enrollment Task Force committee. I was the faculty adviser for the Black Student Union for five years. And, I took the EO training during the spring quarter of this year.		
Erik Woodbury	PSME	Chemistry	Full-time Tenured
	I have been a faculty member in the Chemistry Department for 7 years and remain passionately devoted to the support of our instructional mission in service of all our students. I believe we need to find new and innovative ways to engage and support our diverse student body while also recognizing and honoring the work that our faculty do on a daily basis. In addition, I have also served as the Co-Chair of our Curriculum Committee, as a member of IPBT and Academic Senate, and on various hiring and tenure committees. This experience has given me an appreciation for the various roles that administrators inhabit on campus and how they work together to support De Anza’s Institutional Core Competencies. I would like the opportunity to represent all De Anza faculty on this committee and pledge to help find a candidate that can actively lead us through the coming decades.		