

Dr. Helen Barrett biographies
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Helen Barrett is on the faculty of the College of Education at the University of Alaska Anchorage. She has been researching strategies and technologies for electronic portfolios since 1991 and is the Assessment Coordinator for ISTE's National Educational Technology Standards.

Bio for SETDA (2002)

Dr. Helen Barrett is on the faculty of the College of Education at the University of Alaska Anchorage and has been researching electronic portfolios since 1991, publishing a website on Technology and Alternative Assessment since 1995 (<http://electronicportfolios.com>). Dr. Barrett has been involved in Educational Technology and Staff Development in Alaska since 1983, first as Staff Development Coordinator with the Fairbanks School District and now with the University of Alaska Anchorage. She was in charge of Educational Technology programs for the School of Education and coordinated the development of UAA's New Media Center for campus-wide faculty development.

As the Assessment Coordinator for the International Society for Technology in Education's National Educational Technology Standards for Teachers (ISTE NETS•T) Project, she has been developing strategies and resources to assess teacher technology competence. She also serves as Vice President for Assessment and E-Portfolios for the Society for Information Technology and Teacher Education (SITE). Through the Educause/NLII/AAHE Community of Practice, she is providing leadership to define pedagogical specifications for online portfolio systems.

Over the last three years, Dr. Barrett has written several successful federal technology grants, the most recent through ISTE to support technology and assessment in teacher education programs throughout the United States, providing training and technical assistance on using electronic portfolios to assess achievement of teaching standards. She is on loan to ISTE on a full time basis for the duration of this PT3 Catalyst Grant (2001-2004). Part of this project is planning and coordinating ISTE's new series of national and regional institutes on Assessment and Technology.

Dr. Barrett's presentations at numerous regional and national conferences have explored the emerging field of technology and alternative assessment and her authoritative articles have appeared in books, journals and proceedings published by ISTE, AACE, AAHE, and WCCE. She recently produced a multimedia CD-ROM-based Electronic Portfolio Handbook. Her research about electronic portfolios began with a study of K-12 student e-portfolios for the Alaska Department of Education in the early 90s. In the mid-90s, her research focus changed to electronic teacher portfolios, and she is currently exploring both high school graduation portfolios and family involvement in e-portfolio development in early childhood education. This newest research focuses on how schools can meet the Parent Involvement goal of NCLB through the collaborative development of electronic portfolios to communicate authentic student learning related to standards, goals or outcomes.

80-word bio (1999)

I have been involved in Educational Technology and Staff Development in Alaska since 1983, first with the Fairbanks School District and now with the University of Alaska Anchorage. I am in charge of Educational Technology programs for the School of Education and I coordinated the development of UAA's New Media Center for campus-wide faculty development. I have made presentations at numerous regional and national conferences and have published articles in Learning & Leading with Technology. I am currently writing a book on Learning with Electronic Portfolios.

100-word bio (2000)

I moved to Alaska in 1975, and spent my first seven years providing training and technical assistance to rural village corporations. I have been involved in Educational Technology and Staff Development in Alaska since 1983, first with the Fairbanks School District and, after receiving my doctorate in Human Development from the Fielding Institute in 1991, now with the University of Alaska Anchorage. I am in charge of Educational Technology programs for the School of Education and I coordinated the development of UAA's New Media Center for campus-wide faculty development. I have made presentations at numerous regional and national conferences and have published articles in Learning & Leading with Technology. I am currently writing a book entitled, Learning with Electronic Portfolios.

Home page: <http://cwolf.uaa.alaska.edu/~afhcb/home.html>

Electronic Portfolio page: <http://transition.alaska.edu/www/portfolios.html>

50 word bio:

Dr. Helen Barrett is an assistant professor in the University of Alaska Anchorage Educational Technology program. She teaches applications, telecommunications, multimedia, and electronic portfolio courses, and is the director of UAA's PT3 grants. She has been researching electronic portfolios since 1991. Dr. Barrett can be reached at afhcb@uaa.alaska.edu or through her website: <http://electronicportfolios.com>.

2 sentence bio:

Dr. Helen Barrett is on the faculty of the University of Alaska Anchorage where she is in charge of the Educational Technology program, teaches computer applications, telecommunications, multimedia, and electronic portfolio courses, and has directed two federal PT3 grants. She has been researching electronic portfolios since 1991 and can be reached at afhcb@uaa.alaska.edu or through her website: <http://electronicportfolios.com>.

Bio for AAHE ePortfolio book (2001):

Helen Barrett is assistant professor in the School of Education at the University of Alaska Anchorage. She has been researching electronic portfolios since 1991, publishing a website on Technology and Alternative Assessment since 1995 (<http://electronicportfolios.com>) and is the Assessment Coordinator for the International Society for Technology in Education's National Educational Technology Standards for Teachers.

Bio for WCCE book (2001):

Helen Barrett is on the faculty of the School of Education at the University of Alaska Anchorage. She has been researching electronic portfolios since 1991, publishing a website on Technology and Alternative Assessment since 1995 (<http://electronicportfolios.com>) and is the Assessment Coordinator for the International Society for Technology in Education's (ISTE) National Educational Technology Standards for Teachers (NETS•T). She has written three successful Preparing Tomorrow's Teachers to use Technology (PT3) federal grants, the most recent being a Catalyst Grant that will provide materials development and dissemination to support technology use in assessment and electronic portfolio development in teacher education programs throughout the United States in 2001-2002.

Bio for NLII (2002)

Helen Barrett is on the faculty of the College of Education at the University of Alaska Anchorage. She has been researching electronic portfolios since 1991, publishing a website on Technology and Alternative Assessment since 1995 (<http://electronicportfolios.com>) and is the Assessment Coordinator for the International Society for Technology in Education's (ISTE) National Educational Technology Standards for Teachers (NETS•T). She has written three successful Preparing Tomorrow's Teachers to use Technology (PT3) federal grants, the most recent being a Catalyst Grant that will provide materials development and dissemination to support technology use in assessment and electronic portfolio development in teacher education programs throughout the United States in 2001-2004, where she will be on loan to ISTE on a full time basis for the duration of this PT3 Catalyst Grant.

Brief Vita

VITA
HELEN C. BARRETT, Ph.D.

AFFILIATION: University of Alaska Anchorage
TITLE: Assistant Professor, Educational Technology

EDUCATION

MA Human Development - 1988 - The Fielding Institute, Santa Barbara, CA
Ph.D. Human Development - 1991 - The Fielding Institute, Santa Barbara, CA

POSITIONS

Assistant Professor & Coordinator, Educational Technology – University of Alaska Anchorage
School of Education-- September, 1991 to present
Owner - Micro Management Systems (Electronic Learning Training & Consulting)-- 1982 to
present
Staff Development Coordinator - Fairbanks North Star Borough School District - July, 1985 to
June, 1991
Part-time instructor - Computer Literacy classes -- Tanana Valley Community College &
University of Alaska Fairbanks -- September, 1982 to May, 1991
Community Computer Lab Facilitator & Microcomputer trainer – Fairbanks North Star Borough
School District (F.N.S.B.S.D.) - Community Schools program.-- April, 1983 to July,
1985
Vice President, Administrative Services -- Interior Village Association (I.V.A.), Fairbanks,
Alaska -- June, 1976 to April, 1983

OTHER RELEVANT RESPONSIBILITIES AND HONORS

International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE), National Educational Technology
Standards for Teachers (NETS•T). Member of writing team to draft teacher standards,
January, 2000; Member of writing team to write curriculum materials to support teacher
standards, July, 2000; Leadership Team Coordinator of Assessment, August, 2000-
present
University of Alaska Anchorage (UAA) University Technology Council (UTC) representative,
1998-present; Faculty Senate At-Large Representative, 2000-2002; Academic
Computing, Distance Learning & Instructional Technology Committee Chair, 2000-
2001; publisher of internationally-known web site on electronic portfolios:
<http://transition.alaska.edu/www/portfolios.html>
Alaska Society for Technology in Education (ASTE) -- Conference Program Chair (1997) -
President (1992-93); Acting Director, Alaska Computer Consortium (1991-92);
Conference Program Committee and Program Chair (1988-89); Treasurer and Interior
Board Member (1983-86); Computer-Using Educator of the Year, 1990.

CURRENT AND RECENT PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION INVOLVEMENT

Member ISTE, AACE, AERA, PDK, ASCD