

Sierra Nevada College Team
North Lake Tahoe-Truckee Truckee Leadership Program – 2015

Biographies



Shannon Beets
Facilitator

Interim President and Provost

Beets came to Sierra Nevada College six years ago as Registrar. Since her arrival, Beets has held various positions including Dean of Enrollment Services, Assistant Provost, Associate Provost for Graduate Programs and, most recently, Vice President of Institutional Effectiveness. Beets also left Lake Tahoe for two years to run the Las Vegas branch of the Sierra Nevada College campus in her capacity as the Dean of Teacher Education. In 2007, Beets was awarded the Distinguished Service Award at Sierra Nevada College for her work on accreditation and she led the campus in their preparations for the NWCCU Comprehensive Evaluation visit in April 2012. Beets worked closely with the SNC faculty to develop core themes based on the academic mission and is deeply committed to working with the campus community to strengthen and develop the liberal arts, professional preparedness, entrepreneurship and sustainability at the college. In addition to her administrative responsibilities, Beets has also been Assistant Professor in the Department of Humanities where she teaches classes in ethics, critical thinking, women's studies, religion, Nevada Constitution, American history and popular culture. Beets earned a B.A. in Religion and Philosophy from the University of La Verne and an M.A. in Women's Studies in Religion from Claremont Graduate University. Prior to coming to Sierra Nevada College, Beets spent 14 years in higher education administration at various institutions. Concurrent with her administrative career, Beets also had the pleasure of teaching undergraduates at the University of La Verne and California State University, Fullerton before arriving at Sierra Nevada College.