

# FACULTY INFORMATION PACKAGE

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## Career Speaker and Author Coming to Campus Needs Your Support!

Dear Faculty Member,

You have been given this packet because a colleague at your university, college or high school believes that you and your students may benefit from my coming visit to your school.

My name is Stephen Banick (“The Career Catalyst”). I’m a professional speaker, published author, international entrepreneur and educational (e-Learning) product vendor. I will be coming to your campus soon, and since the very nature of my programs pertains to all occupational fields, I hope that you – as the primary influencer of student’s careers – will be able to attend my presentation(s). I generally make myself available for most of the day, and often attend multiple functions (classes, lectures, etc.) while on campus.

Enclosed you will find some information about me and what I can offer. For more information, please don’t hesitate to check out my very “rich” website, [www.superglobalcareers.com](http://www.superglobalcareers.com).

I am committed to connecting with as many students as possible while on your campus. I ask that you consider making this program required for your students or at least offering extra credit to those who attend. If you feel that your students could benefit from me making a personal visit to your classroom please let me know.

Contact information for reaching me is on the cover page. Thank you for taking the time to read this letter and I look forward to working with you!

Very best regards,

Stephen Banick

Professional Presenter, [The Career Catalyst™](#)

CEO, The Gulliver Project®, Inc.

Founder, [MAX™](#) ("Marketing and Excellence in Global Business")

Author, [The Student Guide to the Coolest New Jobs and Hottest New Industries: 71 Careers Promising Passion, Profit and Fun](#) and [The Student Roadmap to the Global Workplace: Creating Your Ideal Career in a Rapidly Changing World](#)

## Stephen Banick Profile

Stephen Banick, “The Career Catalyst,” is the founder and CEO of The Gulliver Project, Inc., an educational empowerment company committed to creating a generation of leaders who are *aware, informed and connected* with the emerging Global Workplace.

As an entrepreneur, “edu-tainer” and author, Steve’s unique and colorful presentations draw upon his experiences – both on-the-job and as an adventure traveler – spanning six continents and three decades of “cross-cultural collisions.” He’s had a rich and wild ride: an owner of an award-winning international Natural Foods company; a manager of sales, marketing and recruiting in the IT consulting industry; a director of business development in the healthcare industry; an engineer with a Fortune 50 company; and a foreign-based English teacher. He even sold student textbooks door-to-door and dabbled in politics (he was sixth grade home room president).



Steve now travels North America introducing college, high school and professional audiences to cutting-edge careers; powerful global trends and innovative “world-changing” business practices; cross-cultural organizational/teamwork secrets; and other practical tools for fostering passionate, profitable and fun careers.

He’s the author of four books, including [The Student Roadmap to the Global Workforce: Creating Your Ideal Career in a Rapidly Changing World](#) and [The Student Guide to the Coolest New Jobs and Hottest New Industries: 71 Awesome Careers Promising Passion, Profit and Fun](#). He’s also the creator of “MAX” (“Marketing and Excellence in Global Business”), a lively online Learning Management System for classrooms and campus career centers committed to 21<sup>st</sup> Century business, marketing, international affairs, career development, entrepreneurship, diversity and leadership.

Steve earned a Bachelor of Science in Industrial Engineering from Georgia Tech and was honored as “Outstanding MBA Student” by Boise State University, the guys with the blue football field. However, as a self-professed “student of the world,” he’s quick to point out that his greatest learning experiences have come far from the ivory towers of Academia U. or the polished floors of Corporation, Inc.

Foremost, Steve’s a story teller. He can’t help it – perhaps it’s his travels, or maybe it’s just his bohemian-twin taking center stage, but he believes that a good story’s worth a hundred text books and a good joke’s better than a dozen sermons. After all, how can anything as demanding and serious as career development and global business/marketing be received and internalized if it’s not, well, fun and interesting!?

## What most students aren't learning at most schools...

Despite the current recession, the truth is that we're living on the threshold of – indeed already enmeshed in – one of the most transformative periods in history. World-shrinking communication tools, medical and engineering breakthroughs, globalization, shifting societal priorities, post 9/11 security concerns and imminent environmental threats are coming together like the “perfect storm” – a storm offering unprecedented opportunities for those who are positioned right, and daunting challenges for those not “aware, informed and connected.”

Consider:

### ◆ The Cool New Careers and Hot New Industries

Welcome to a New World of...Nanotechnology (projection: 5-10 million jobs generating \$2-3 trillion\$ by 2020: *various sources*) ...Cyber-criminology (cyber-crime is a \$119 billion annual racket: *MarkMonitor*)... Legal E-Discovery (300% annual growth; \$20 billion revenues in 2011: *About.com*) ... Carbon trading (8,000% growth over the next several decades: *Deutsche Bank*)...Robotics (3,000% growth by 2025: *Scientific America*)...Wind Farming (“the petroleum engineer of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century”)... Space Tourism (five million passenger rides; \$multi-trillion revenues by 2030 – *International Symposium on Space Tourism*)...Medical Genetics (50% of positions unfilled: *American Board of Medical Genetics*)...eTherapy (“Distance Counseling”, just accredited in 2004)... And many, many more exciting fields which can position your grads for incredible leadership positions at a very early age.

### ◆ The “Global Office”

Whether we like it or not – or even realize – we're already in a global workplace, or rather, the “Global Office.” A new grad entering the workforce (even in their hometown factory) may have: a boss from Germany...an employer from Japan...a co-worker from Brazil...a customer in India...a vendor in South Africa...a business partner in New Zealand...an investor in Dubai...a distributor in Mexico...and competitors from everywhere. What do they all have in common? They think, act, manage, plan, organize, communicate, task and even “value” differently than North Americans!

While the opportunities to create powerful, profitable exchanges with these “markets, merchants and maniacs” are immense, the truth is that:

☞ “They” know a lot more about us than we know about them

- ☞ U.S. Math and Science test scores have fallen to 29<sup>th</sup> and 34<sup>th</sup> respectively out of the top 35 industrialized countries (*Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development*)
- ☞ 50% of American 18-24 year-olds cannot find New York City on a map – and 10% can't even find the U.S. (*National Geographic / Roper 2006 Geographic Literacy Survey – statistically accurate within four percent error*)

### ◆ **World-Lifting tools (e.g. new ways of conducting business and/or impacting others)**

It's not only the careers and the playing field that are rapidly changing, it's the very way business is done. From *conscientious capitalism* to *voluntourism*; from *co-opetition* and *vocationeering to social entrepreneurialism* and *social responsibility management*, some of the most successful organizations and people in the world are demonstrating entirely new approaches to achieving successful business and uplifting others. Some call it the “Triple-bottom line” of ‘People, Profit and Planet.’ Like Archimedes and his lever, students entering the workforce now have an amazing array of tools and strategies – some ingeniously simple – at their disposal for maximizing their career effectiveness and impacting their “global stakeholders.”

### **How Steve's Presentations Will Benefit Your Students**

Steve's colorful presentations will “open student's eyes” to how they can have empowered careers and become effective leaders in a rapidly changing world.

- ☞ Steve “goes deep” into career opportunities in many fields, including business and marketing; technology; legal and criminology; health sciences and healing/healthcare; real estate/property/resource management; lifestyle, arts and culture; entertainment and tourism; internationally-oriented careers and many other sectors;
- ☞ Steve introduces students to *how* the new paradigms are reshaping society, including the impact of : Nanotechnology, the “Green Wave,” the Human Genome Project, Social Networking and the “Death of Distance.”
- ☞ Students receive a humorous and insightful introduction to how people from other cultures behave (or not!) in the workplace- and the secrets to creating successful relationships with them.
- ☞ Students gain an appreciation of how many other countries – including some real “surprises” – are positioning themselves to dominate many traditional and new, emerging fields.
- ☞ Most students readily admit that they're not sure if their intended major/career speaks to their passions and talents. Steve shares his story of (multiple!) career discontent and breakthrough, and how it is possible – and more achievable than ever – to position

ourselves for a passionate, principled, profitable and playful careers – but only if we’re aware, informed and connected to the possibilities!

- ☞ Steve’s an “Edu-tainer.” Don’t let the engineering and MBA backgrounds fool you – he’s a student of the world, an inveterate traveler/explorer and trivia sponge, and incorporates a plethora of cross-cultural stories, fables and jokes (especially about his own “cross cultural collisions”) to drive home points with direct relevance to the 21<sup>st</sup> Century workplace. By demystifying this “global office”, and making it compelling and inviting, Steve helps educators and employers groom young people (and not-so-young!) for enjoyable and productive contribution to society.

## Steve’s Speaking Programs

### *Cool New Careers; Hot New Industries...No One’s Telling You About*

The ‘Green Wave’...Nanotechnology...the Human Genome Project... Vocationeering & Vacationeering... welcome to a very New World of *culinary lifestylists, E-discoverers, carbon-traders, digital historians, distance counselors, forensic accountants, Space tourists, localization translationists, retail climatologists, and virtual concierges...* HUH?

**FACT:** Thousands – *Millions* – of exciting, high-paying jobs are being created in dynamic new industries and fields that *literally did not exist a few short years ago...*

**FACT:** Knowing how to “get in on the ground floor” can position you for *incredible success at a very young age...*

**FACT:** Most of these awesome new careers are rarely mentioned in job fairs, classrooms – or at campus career centers – *because they don’t know...!*

This eye-opening presentation introduces students and other career seekers to amazing and powerful careers that are developing right in front of us – with little fanfare. Steve tackles head-on one of the most interesting – and promising – topics of our time:

- ☞ Why – believe it or not – we’re living in one of the most awesome times in history for enjoying passionate, profitable and fun careers. We’ll look at how society’s “megatrends” have formed these incredible opportunities – and challenges.
- ☞ How it is that our well-intended institutions, career counselors and even many employers have not been able to keep up with these developments
- ☞ A close-up view of sweeping changes and exciting new jobs opening up in many fields, including Healing & Caring...Technology...Health Sciences...Business,

Marketing and Finance...Legal & Criminology...Real Estate & Property Management...Lifestyle, Arts & Culture...& International Services...and more

- Specific steps that job seekers of any change can take to investigate the fascinating world of new careers, “who’s doing what,” and preparation steps for transforming their lives.

### ***“The ‘Global Office’ and You” (or, “Prospering with the Markets, Merchants and Maniacs”)***

Don’t look now, but you’re already working – or will be soon – in a “Global Office.” It doesn’t matter if we go half-way around the world to work for an international employer, or just stroll across the street to work in a factory in our hometown: “They” – our global colleagues and competitors – are everywhere. You need a scorecard to name the players – and a strategy for protecting and expanding your career...

**FACT:** We live in an increasingly interconnected global workplace, where a North American employee may well have a boss from Germany...an employer from Japan...customers from Brazil...vendors from South Africa...business partners from Argentina...distributors from Thailand...investors from Dubai...colleagues from India...and competitors from “everywhere.”

**FACT:** They all think, manage, plan, communicate, organize, prioritize, task and *even* “value” differently than we do!

**FACT:** North American youth – and many career changers – are woefully unprepared for the impact that these noisy new neighbors *are already having*...

This fascinating presentation introduces audiences to a “flat world” that’s already impacting careers of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, whether we like it or not – *or are even aware of it*. Steve takes crowds into a revealing look at:

- How Globalization – the “Good, Bad & Ugly” – is shaping the world of 21<sup>st</sup> Century employment with unprecedented opportunities and challenges
- Our busy neighbors – eye-opening developments from around the world; how other countries are positioning themselves to dominate both traditional and new industries
- Cross-cultural communication secrets: How to avoid the fate of “The Blind Men and the Elephant,” and how to create productive (business and personal) relationships in a workplace resembling the “Tower of Bable.”
- Cutting-edge careers poised to benefit from international commerce/exchange.

- Specific measures that educators, students and career changers can take to prepare themselves for fuller participation in the emerging Global Office

### ***“People, Profit & Planet: Powerful, Proven New Ways of Changing the World”***

Want to *really* “change the world” – while enjoying yourself? From incredibly effective new business models to life-affirming personal practices, there’s a refreshing number of ways that employees, organizations and just every-day citizens can live powerful and more meaningful careers (lives) while serving others in a huge way. Lofty idealism? Not according to some of the world’s most successful people and organizations – who are already doing it.

**FACT:** Profitability, social & environmental responsibility, and employee loyalty are not only compatible, they form an incredible “Triple Bottom Line.”

**FACT:** Entire companies, communities and *nations* have been transformed by ingeniously simple initiatives – with lasting effect

**FACT:** The lines between “work” and “play” are increasingly blurred, as more and more people crave (including in *non-“First World”* countries) fun, expression and a sense of “higher calling” in their work.

Steve takes audiences deep into the philosophies, practices and proven results reflecting a new mindset of “doing business” while honoring their own desires for passion, principle, compensation, service and recreation. From the trans-national to the individual, Steve addresses:

- The new forces of *Conscientious Capitalism, Social Entrepreneurship, Co-opetition and Sustainability Management* that are demonstrably changing the world
- The practical business ingenuity behind *The Golden Rule* – and what we can all learn from the world-shakers who practice it
- “Enlightened Self-Interest”: Paradox? *NOT*
- How creative sabbatical programs, “volun-tourism” and “vocationeering” are refreshing employees’ psyches – and being increasingly utilized by wise employers as *productivity*
- Careers poised for phenomenal growth reflecting the “Triple Bottom Line”

## Testimonials

### Colleges & Universities

*“Stephen’s program clearly illustrates exactly what I keep hearing from employers and reading about in the media: today’s workers are entering a “boundary-less” workplace where they will interact with global colleagues, cutting-edge colleagues and where the ‘coolest’ careers combine profit, purpose and sustainability. Every career counselor should become familiar with Steve’s enlightening list of 71 ‘Coolest New Jobs and Hottest New Industries.’ ”*

Julie Collier, Career Counselor & Co-operative Education  
Coordinator, Career Center, Sacramento State University (CA)

*“Recently I had the pleasure of attending Stephen Banick’s presentation entitled ‘Get Globalized.’ I was quite impressed with Steve’s knowledge of trends and developments around the world, as they relate to career education, and I found the presentation to be both enlightening and inspiring. I went away with something new to offer the students on my campus about the things they need to consider as they prepare for life after graduation.”*

George Barton, Director, University Career Center,  
University of Texas at El Paso

*“Steve’s presentation “Connecting with the New World” was well-received and of great benefit to our audience”*

Chris Kyselka, Associate Director, Office of the Vice-President  
and Executive Vice Provost, Arizona State University`

*“Stephen Banick is a dynamic presenter. Our teachers loved his timely and interesting information regarding the changing global market in which their students will be competing.”*

Debbie Henney, Economics Instructor Mesa (AZ.) Community College;  
(& Program Director, Arizona Council on Economic Education)

### High Schools

*“Steve’s commencement presentation was definitely not the usual “carry the torch of knowledge” droll; it was a lightning bolt of inspiration and substance to prepare grads for a world very different than previous generations. Whether he’s describing new careers or making a playful jab at the increasingly competitive playground of “markets, merchants and maniacs,” Steve introduced our young leaders-in-the-rough to a future – and a global neighborhood – that’s already here, now.”*

Christian Housel, Principal, Meridian (ID.) Technical Charter High School

*“A riveting wake-up call for college and high school students getting ready to take their place - rather, MAKE their place - in a very “New World”!*

Vince del Vecchio, DECA Marketing Coordinator, Chaparral High School, Scottsdale, AZ

## **Business & Civic**

*“Stephen Banick’s presentations utilizing his colorful detail of his extraordinary travel experiences melded together with timely new world information helps his audiences understand how to relate, communicate, and integrate best business practices for acceptance and success . He is a “must see” for those interested in doing business across their borders!”*

Charlotte Hodel, Vice President Business Development & Public Affairs,  
Chandler (AZ.) Chamber of Commerce

*“If you are seeking to grow your business globally, you certainly need a Guru like Steve Banick of the Gulliver Project – now entertaining the world with his treasure of knowledge... a great inspiration”*

Dr. P. N. Misra, Indo-American Chamber of Commerce

*“Steve Banick is a storyteller with a great story...a timely message for our age.... I highly recommend him to get your audience inspired and thinking about the future!”*

(former ) Arizona State Representative Mark Anderson, Mesa, AZ.

*“Very charismatic and speaks from the heart...a lot of good feedback from our audience.”*

Angela Markel, (the) Building Office and Management Association

## FREE Resources:

Mr. Banick's Report / white paper named "10 Global Trends Impacting the Careers of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century" is available for download from the homepages of both [www.superglobalcareers.com](http://www.superglobalcareers.com) and [www.marketingandexcellence.com](http://www.marketingandexcellence.com). The report is 9,000 words / 24 pages in length, and is highly applicable to the missions of:

- University and College professors/researchers/administrators of any discipline
- Career Center Directors, guidance counselors, Co-op/Intern directors
- Standards-based Career & Technical Education chapters (e.g., BPA, DECA, FBLA, HOSA, FFA, ACSCI, TSA, SkillsUSA, etc..)
- Collegiate programs in International Business and/or Global Studies (public policy, international relations, International Baccalaureate, etc.
- Any programs promoting entrepreneurialism and leadership (i.e. Junior Achievement).
- College Adult-education programs offering business (related) / marketing and career-oriented curricula.
- Human Resource professionals (SHRM)

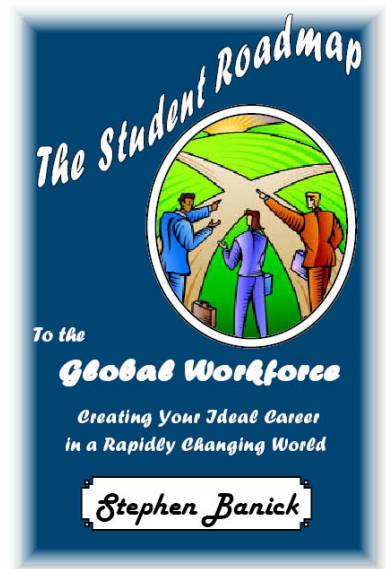
## Books by Stephen Banick

### *The Student Roadmap to the Global Workforce: Creating Your Ideal Career in a Rapidly Changing World*

208 pgs., © 2008 Gulliver Publishing ISBN 978-0-9777151-1-4

[www.thestudentroadmap.com](http://www.thestudentroadmap.com)

"...delightfully entertaining...peels back the layers of the global workplace by demonstrating how 'students' of all ages can pursue passionate, profitable and fun careers in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century...filled with inspirational, hard-hitting practical tips and suggestions." – *Lorin Toepper, Ph.D., Executive Director, Economic and Workforce Development, Madison (WI.) Area Technical College*



### What You'll Learn

- ✦ How globalization, multiculturalism and the "Death of Distance" are impacting world commerce, societal interactions and people's careers;
- ✦ Incredible new technologies that are creating entirely new industries and millions of new jobs;

- ✦ Evolving new business models that are creating sustainable win-win-win results and changing the world through the “triple bottom line” of *People, Profit and Planet*;
- ✦ Cutting-edge technologies and smart new branding techniques that are enabling us to “maximize our ROI” and “minimize our TMI;”
- ✦ Specific steps and resources that students and/or professionals may take to become more aware, informed, and connected to the “Global Office.”

### What You’ll Find

- ✦ Stacks of facts and eye-opening data (with a comprehensive Index);
- ✦ Short and easy-to-read chapters with “What this means to you” reviews at the end of key learning points;
- ✦ An enjoyable and fun “dialogue.”

## ***The Student Guide to the Coolest New Jobs and Hottest New Industries:*** ***71 Awesome Careers Promising Passion, Profit and Fun***



92 pgs., © 2008 Gulliver Publishing ISBN 978-0-9777151-1-2

[www.coolnewjobshotnewcareers.com](http://www.coolnewjobshotnewcareers.com)

“Steve Banick’s ‘Coolest New Jobs and Hottest New Industries’ is a must-read for high school and college students, career professionals, teachers and parents. This is an incredible time for launching dynamic and high-paying careers in exciting new industries – if one knows where to find them! A book like this is long overdue, and highly recommended!” – *James Malinchak*, “Two-Time College Speaker of the Year;” author, *From College to the Real World*; co-author, *Chicken Soup for the College Soul* [www.Malinchak.com](http://www.Malinchak.com)

### What You’ll Learn

- ✦ Why we’re on the threshold of – and already living in – the most opportune time in history for enjoying fascinating and lucrative new careers;
- ✦ How the Green movement, Nanotechnology, the Human Genome Project, Space Tourism, Voluntourism, and shifting social, legal and lifestyle values will be – are already – creating *millions of new jobs* in amazing new *multi-trillion \$ industries*;
- ✦ What these amazing new jobs are, and why most career counselors or job fairs haven’t even heard of them.

## **What You'll Find**

- ✦ A broad, diverse collection of cutting-edge new careers – either in brand new industries, or greatly expanded and evolved jobs within traditional industries;
- ✦ Job responsibilities, necessary studies/preparation, industry associations, statistics (how many, growth prospects, compensation, etc.);
- ✦ Credible professional references.

## Stephen Banick CV/Resume

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**SUMMARY:** Dynamic expert on emerging careers, the impact of globalization on today's (and tomorrow's) workforce, and entrepreneurial & leadership tools to create empowered careers for a better society. Thirty (30) years of executive/managerial, operational/technical and business development roles encompassing a wide variety of industry sectors, including manufacturing, information technology, education/teaching, public health, consumer goods (natural foods) and publishing. International entrepreneur and world traveler (six continents, over 40 countries), four-time published author, professional speaker and top-of-class MBA. Specializes in "bridging the gap" between employers, career centers, students, and the challenging demands and opportunities of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century workplace.

### **FUNCTIONAL HIGHLIGHTS:**

#### **Career (and Personal Growth) Writer**

Author of:

- ✦ *The Student Guide to the Coolest New Jobs and Hottest New Industries: 71 Awesome Careers Promising Passion, Profit and Fun* 2008
- ✦ *The Student Roadmap to the Global Workforce: Creating Your Ideal Career in a Rapidly Changing World* 2008
- ✦ *The New Gullivers: Shaping the Mindscapes, Soulscapes & Landscapes of a New World* 2007
- ✦ *Accidental Enlightenment: The Extraordinary Travels of a Modern-Day Gulliver* 2007

#### **Professional Speaker (The "Career Catalyst")**

Keynotes, presentations and workshops to educational and professional organizations, including campus career centers, high school and college CTE (career and technical education) associations and leadership/entrepreneurship programs, business schools, diversity programs, etc.

#### **E-Learning Product Vendor**

Founder/Creator of "MAX" ([www.marketingandexcellence.com](http://www.marketingandexcellence.com)), a Virtual Classroom of lesson modules preparing students and adult-ed career changers for empowering new careers and successful cross-cultural teamwork in the "Global Office." (launched in 2009)

#### **International Entrepreneur**

Partner/Owner of an award-winning Natural Foods importer/agency, specializing in high quality organic food products from Scandinavia and Asia. Company/product selected as one of the top six (6) out of 1,500 new products introduced into North America in 1996 (awarded by the National Natural Food Association)

#### **Business Development and Recruiting Director**

Grew the most profitable (and longest tenured) IT consulting operation out of nine (9) regional operations, providing software development, training and systems integration to Fortune 1000.

## **Top-of-Class MBA**

“Outstanding Student” award (1986/87) from Boise State University.

## **EXPERIENCE:**

- The Gulliver Project, Inc.** Scottsdale, AZ 2006–pres.  
*Educational empowerment company preparing students and professionals for exciting careers and effective leadership roles in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century ‘Global Office’*  
(CEO/Founder) Speaker, Author and e-Learning Product Development
- Information Technology International**, Phoenix, AZ; and Salt Lake City, UT. 1997-2005  
*Commercial software products (public health); consulting, training & systems integration*  
Director of Business Development
- 7 Seas Traders, Inc. (dba Nordic Farmers)**, Salt Lake City, UT, and London, UK. 1995-1997  
*Agent/importer of specialty organic foods*  
Partner / Owner
- ProData, Inc.**, Boise, ID., and Salt Lake City, UT. 1987-1995  
*Multi-regional provider of IT consulting services*  
Regional Sales/Marketing Director; and Regional Recruiting Director
- Hewlett Packard, Inc.**, Boise, ID. 1981-1986  
*One of HP’s largest worldwide facilities, shipping more than \$1 billion annually*  
Industrial Engineer

## **EDUCATION:**

- M.B.A.**, Boise State University, Boise, Idaho 1987  
(Outstanding Student Award)
- B.S.**, Industrial and Systems Engineering, Georgia Tech, Atlanta, Georgia 1981

## **CERTIFICATIONS & TRAINING:**

- Candidate Status, National Speaker’s Association, Tempe, AZ. 2006
- Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL) Certificate,  
Bridge-Linguathec Institute, Santiago, Chile (while on sabbatical) 2003
- Curriculum for Living series, Beginning Forum and Advanced Forum, Landmark Education 1997
- Effective Negotiating Certification, Chester Karras series, via Hewlett Packard 1982
- Sales and Marketing Seminars: (Techniques, trends, training, etc.) (Many: 1987 - 2000’s)

Quality Control, Material Handling, Statistical Process Control training (Many: 1981-85)  
Co-op Engineering grad/cert., Union Carbide Nuclear Division, Oak Ridge, TN 1980

**SABBATICAL / LEAVE OF ABSENCES:**

- Africa (9 countries, 7,000 miles by truck over 3 months; climbed Kilimanjaro);
- South America (5 months living and exploring Chile and Argentina);  
(Taught English as a Foreign Language (TEFL) in Santiago, Chile) 2002-2003
- New Zealand and Australia via hitchhiking, trekking, and bus/trucking 1987