

Don Simmons Biography

Don Simmons has been writing grants since 1976, and has been teaching Grantwriting for almost that long! As faculty in Humanics at Fresno State, he teaches courses in philanthropy, grantmaking, grantwriting, CBO leadership and volunteer administration. He serves on the boards of the Whitney Foundation, Arte Americas, MADventurer U.S.A. and the collegiate chapter task force of AFP as well as serving for the past 10 years on the City of Fresno Historic Preservation Commission. As President of Creative Potential Consulting and Training, he consults and trains with local, national and international organizations and government agencies in strategic planning, grantsmanship, volunteer management and teamwork. Don did his Ph.D. at Texas A&M University in organizational leadership, M.P.A. at University of San Francisco in CBO management and post-doctoral work in public organizational management at Yale University.