



*Institute for Teachers*

## Staff Bios





**John F. Burns, M.A., Institute Director, is a former U.S. Navy officer and Vietnam veteran who served for many years as State Archivist of California. He has also been a history teacher and professor, education administrator, and consultant and author about California and Vietnam.**



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# Curriculum Consultants

Beth Doughty, M.A., has been teaching history since 1996, and is the 7th and 8th grade magnet gifted history and language arts teacher for the Battle Ground School District in WA.

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# Consulting Professors and Lecturers



Pierre Asselin, Ph.D., is a professor of history and the Dwight E. Stanford Chair in American Foreign Relations at San Diego State University, where he teaches courses about U.S diplomatic history, Vietnam, and the Cold War. He has published several books about the Vietnam War.

Larry Berman, Ph.D., is a professor emeritus of political science at the University of California, Davis, and Founding Dean of the Honors College at Georgia State University. He is one of the foremost authorities and authors on the Vietnam War and he is a frequent visitor to Vietnam.

John D. (Jody) Blanco, Ph.D., is an associate professor of comparative literature, Spanish and cultural studies at the University of California, San Diego, where he specializes in the Philippines during the colonial and post-colonial eras.

Gregory A. Daddis, Ph.D., is professor of history and the first USS Midway Chair of Modern U.S. Military History at San Diego State University. He is a retired U.S. Army colonel and Gulf War veteran and has written several books and articles about the Vietnam War.

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Christopher Endy, Ph.D., is a professor of history at California State University, Los Angeles, where he is a specialist and author about the Cold War era and its diplomatic history. He also conducts teacher professional development about Vietnam and the Cold War.

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Laren Metzger, M.A., is an independent scholar, archivist and specialist in Korean and East Asian history who served as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Korea, 1976-1977. He lectures and writes about Korean history and society, and has been a consultant to the South Korean government.

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H. Lawrence Serra, J.D., is an attorney, author and Vietnam veteran who served as a U.S. Naval Intelligence Liaison Officer (NILO) on the Vietnam-Cambodian border. He has also been an adjunct professor of law at the University of Arizona and the University of San Diego.

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