

APWA Public Works Leadership Skills | A Class of the Northwest Public Works Institute

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Roster of Instructors

John Ostrowski - Committee Chair

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John Ostrowski is a management consultant who established JOMC in 1999 after more than 30 years in various phases of public works administration at the state, county and city level. He spent 17 years as Public Works Director in Vancouver, Washington. He was also Acting City Manager in Vancouver and Interim Executive Director of C-TRAN, the countywide bus system in 1998 and again in 2006. He has received numerous awards including APWA Top Ten Public Works Leader of the Year and has authored and co-authored articles and speeches on public works and financing issues at conferences and seminars. He is the administrator of the Northwest Public Works Institute and has taught Public Works Institute classes in Washington, Oregon, California, Kansas City and Arizona. John also has served as a site reviewer for the APWA Public Works Accreditation Process. He was a member of the Washington State Transportation Performance Audit Board. His books, "Everything You Need To Know To Be A Public Works Director", "Survive and Thrive", "Lessons from the Life of Jack Pittis", "Axioms and Outlooks" and "More than Everything You Need To Know To Be A Public Works Director" are published by APWA. He also co-chaired the publication and wrote the Managing People chapter of the "Public Works Administration" textbook.

Instructor; Jeanne Nyquist

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Jeanne Nyquist is the President of Nyquist and Associates, Inc., a management consulting firm providing services to public, private and non-profit organizations. Jeanne holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business and Management from Marylhurst University. Jeanne is an accomplished speaker and trainer who uses her managerial and life experiences to illustrate leadership concepts that will enhance organizational, personal and professional development.

Instructor; Dan Boss

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Dan Boss has been in public works for over 40 years, 34 of those in Tualatin, Oregon as Operations Director. In 2007 Dan spent 9 months as the City's Interim Finance Director. In 1989 Dan led the effort to establish Tualatin's Road Utility (one of the nation's first) and develop their first Emergency Management Plan. He helped establish the Oregon Chapter Scholastic Foundation; received the 2000 William Bowes Award (the chapter's highest); was the 1995 Chapter President, Tualatin's 2003 Business Person of the Year, 2001 Most Valuable Partner Award from the Business Education Compact and was recognized in 2004 as an APWA Top 10 Public Works Leader of the Year. In 2012 Dan retired from the City of Tualatin and is pursuing other endeavors that include Public Works Education. Dan is currently on the Chapter Board, serving as the National Delegate for Oregon.

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Instructor; Brian Richardson

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Brian Richardson loves communication and being authentic with those we serve. He's currently the Public Affairs Manager for Eugene Public Works, a role he's filled since 2016. Brian works with project managers to improve transparency and meet project goals through consistent and strategic communication.

Brian's formal education was broadcast journalism. He graduated from Missouri State University in 2006. Upon graduation he worked as a reporter and anchor for more than half a dozen television stations. He uses that background to help deliver clear and concise messaging, whether working with residents or local media.

Brian serves on several committees with the Oregon Chapter of the American Public Works Association and is a member of the Public Relations Society of America.

Instructor; Kim Bria

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Working with public agencies, Kim connects private sector technical expertise to rapidly changing bureaus. An active APWA member, Kim completed the NWPWI program in 2015, values the growth opportunities it provides, and wants to give back support to APWA. She thrives outdoors playing on the slopes, the river or the garden.