

THUMBNAIL VITA: WILLIAM G. TIERNEY

TITLE

University Professor & Wilbur-Kieffer Professor of Higher Education,
Director, Center for Higher Education Policy Analysis,
Rossier School of Education, University of Southern California

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Administration and Policy Analysis, Stanford University
M.A. Anthropology, Stanford University (concurrent with Ph.D.)
M.ED. Education, Harvard University
B.A. English, Tufts University

PREVIOUS POSITIONS

Professor & Senior Scientist, Center for the Study of Higher Education, Pennsylvania State University
Senior Associate, National Center for Higher Education Management Systems (NCHEMS)
Academic Dean, Fort Berthold Community College, North Dakota
Teacher, Peace Corps, Morocco

RECENT BOOKS

The impact of culture on organizational decision-making: Theory and practice in higher education.
Trust and the public good: Examining the cultural conditions of academic work
New players, different game: Understanding the rise of for-profit colleges (with Guilbert Hentschke)
Building the responsive campus: Creating high performance colleges and universities
Urban high school students and the challenge of access (with Julia Colyar)
Faculty productivity: Facts, fictions and issues
Building communities of difference: Higher education in the 21st century
Representation and the text: Reframing the narrative voice

SELECTED PAPERS

Globalization, international rankings and the American model: A reassessment.
Social mobility and stratification in the knowledge society The Europa World of Learning
Academic freedom and the parameters of knowledge Harvard Educational Review
An anthropological analysis of student participation in college Journal of Higher Education
The parameters of affirmative action Review of Educational Research
Organizational culture in higher education Journal of Higher Education
Reforming faculty work: The dilemma of organizational change Teachers College Record

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY

Elected Fellow of American Educational Research Association, 2009
Winner of Phi Kappa Phi Book of the Year Award for New players, different game, 2009
Scholar-in-residence, University Sains Malaysia, 2008
Executive Board, American Educational Research Association, 2006 – 2009
President, Association for the Study of Higher Education, 2001 – 2002
Fulbright Scholar to Australia, 2001 & Central America, 1993
President, Academic Senate, University of Southern California, 1999 – 2000
Division Chair, Education Policy and Administration, Rossier School of Education, USC, 1996 – 1999
Winner of “Distinguished Research Award” from ASHE, 1997
Vice President, Division J, American Educational Research Association, 1994-1996