

Meet Your Mentors

WINTER 2022 SESSION



BENITO SELI

Benito is a medically-retired law enforcement officer, having served nearly two decades for a prestigious Southern California municipal police department. Benito is a two-time "Officer of the Year" awardee. He earned both his Bachelor of Science and Master's (Public Administration) degrees from California State University, Northridge.



CHELSEA MAKELA

Chelsea Makela is the Head of the Literary Department & a talent manager at Discover Management. She also founded and is the CEO of "Make LA Productions". She is a producer, grew up acting in theatre, TV & film & she's a pediatric brain cancer survivor & advocate. She has worked in the entertainment industry for over 19 years.



RUFUS DORSEY

Rufus Dorsey earned a Bachelor's degree and studied acting. He has appeared in numerous films and tv shows such as: "Ali", "Pearl Harbor", "Rise of the Planet of the Apes", "Gimme Shelter", "Alien Hunter," "Dukes of Hazzard II", The L Word, The Secret Lives of Second Wives, The District and numerous commercials.



WENDY WALLSTROM

Senior Designer/Project Manager for J S D A, Inc. We are a registered B Corporation, woman owned and driven. We imagine and design corporate interiors with sensitivity to client's spatial needs and environmental concerns. I am also an artist, working with pastels, watercolor and acrylics primarily. I enjoy utilizing my three areas of university study including art, business and interior design.



DR. ALEX GARFIO

Dr. Alex Garfio has 16 combined years of experience and serves as the Director of Strategic Alliances for Sify Digital Learning, where he focuses on developing key partnerships. Dr. Garfio was a member of the leadership team responsible to the \$300 million Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum renovation. Dr. Garfio holds a B.A. from UC Davis, an M.Ed. and an Ed.D. from the University of Southern California.

**SANFORD WILLIAMS**

Sanford graduated from Newark Academy in New Jersey in 1983 and then enrolled at Cornell University at the age of 15, where he earned his Undergraduate Degree in Operations Research & Industrial Engineering and an MBA from the Johnson School of Management. Sanford is currently the Deputy Managing Director for the FCC and is teaching a course this semester at the UCLA School of Law.

**ALEX CARRILLO**

Alex Carrillo is the founder of ALCAR, Inc. - An international business consulting firm. Born and raised in LA, CA, he is a proud first generation Mexican American. Alex has tremendous experience in business development and in building strategic relationships between companies to collaborate on projects, locally and abroad.

**CASSIDY COOK**

Cassidy Cook has a 15-year experience in Family Office, Hybrid-Real Estate Agent. Her background is progressive and experienced in commercial and residential real estate management, planning, acquisition, and disposition and leasing. Cassidy' excellent, negotiating, analytical, communication, collaboration, organization and process skills, help her break through this highly competitive market to acquire add value,



CHAD TEW

Chad Tew is an education entrepreneur and founder/CEO of LearnCollab®. He is a life-long educator, who has also held college leadership positions in admission and marketing. He has taught courses at UCLA in Marketing and Business Plan Development, is a co-founder of the K-8 Wesley School in North Hollywood, and early in his career customized enrollment marketing software for the MIT Sloan School and Georgetown University.



JORDAN FENN-HODSON

Jordan Fenn-Hodson is a social impact strategy and campaign consultant. Jordan has provided her nonprofit and marketing knowledge across a variety of cause-based, corporate, and celebrity clients, including the Clinton Foundation, Everytown For Gun Safety, Born This Way Foundation, The Walt Disney Company and more. She graduated from the Johns Hopkins University and was a Howard J. Read Scholar.



GREGORIO GUTIERREZ

Gregorio Gutierrez is a content strategist who believes in the power of research and storytelling. Gregorio has helped Fortune 500 companies, national nonprofits, and philanthropists articulate their social impact vision, develop meaningful partnerships, and launch initiatives around civic engagement, racial equity, STEM education, workforce development, economic opportunity, and more. He also holds a degree in Political Science from UCLA.



ANNEMARIE PEACOCK

Annemarie Peacock attended UC Berkeley, where she majored in Environmental Science. She interned at the NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory for nearly a year and then was hired on as a fulltime employee almost two years ago. At JPL, Annemarie works for a scientific radar instrument called UAVSAR, which is used to gather data for different earth science studies on earthquakes, fires, glaciers, and forest change.



CHRISTINE DOLAN

Christine Dolan has worked in a variety of industries with various Not-for-Profit companies in the Accounting and Finance role in San Diego, serving many diverse communities. Currently acting as a Consulting to CFO for multiple Not-for-Profits in California, Christine now brings her knowledge as a CFO to the Kollab and looks forward to providing guidance and clarity to Kollab's financial story. She obtained her Masters Degree in Business Administration from Western Governors University.



BRIAN BARRY

Brian Barry is CEO of Lighthouse Leadership Group, a Past President of the Dale Carnegie Global Corporate Solutions, and the National Human Resources Association Board of Directors. Brian has founded several start-ups, and honored for ground-breaking diversity & inclusion, and entrepreneurship. He has over 30 years of diversified international experience in performance improvement, curricula design, leading cross-functional teams in and numerous sectors.