



The School for Ethics and Global Leadership

faculty profiles

Noah Bopp

Director, English, Ethics and Leadership
BA, Oberlin College
MAT, Duke University
EdM, Columbia University

Noah Bopp has twelve years of teaching experience, most recently at the Mountain School of Milton Academy, where he directed the History program and served as a dorm parent. From 2002-7 he led the Duke University TIP Global Dialogues Institute, which he created as a “pilot” for SEGL; he also co-led the Duke TIP in Paris program, which he co-created in 2001. He began his teaching career at St. George’s School in Newport, Rhode Island, where he taught history and philosophy, and chaired the school’s Community Service Council. He is a graduate of the Klingenstein Private School Leadership program at Teachers College, Columbia University.

A school focused on ethics and leadership has always been welcome but now, in the wake of the epochal events of the first years of 21st century, it is essential. The plans for the new School for Ethics and Global Leadership are highly promising and I'm eager to follow its course in the coming years.

—Howard Gardner, Harvard University

Gray Pedersen

Academic Dean, Dean of the Faculty, History
BA, Reed College
MA, Wesleyan University

Gray Pedersen joins SEGL after a distinguished career at The Lakeside School in Seattle, Washington, where he served in many roles, including fifteen years as History Department Chair and over a decade as college counselor. A graduate of Reed College and Wesleyan University, he has taken a leadership role nationally with the College Board AP program. His work with the College Board includes serving on the AP Government and Politics Test Development Committee, and as national Exam Leader for the AP Government and Politics examination. He also has extensive experience training other educators to teach AP courses. Among many teaching awards, he was the recipient of a William Robertson Coe Fellowship at Stanford University in 1980, and was named a Most Influential Teacher by the Presidential Scholars Program in 2005.

Ai Miura Caine

Japanese
BA, Kanazawa National University
MS Ed., Northern Illinois University
Ai joined the SEGL staff in 2010. A native of Japan, she started her teaching career as an English instructor there before moving to the Washington, D.C. area. She taught at the Potomac School, where she developed a highly successful Japanese language program over the span of 15 years. Besides providing translation services for government agencies, Ai has also taught at St. Albans School. In addition, she has served as a language instructor at the college level at both American and George Washington Universities.

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Alanna Copenhaver

Ethics and Leadership, Development, Assistant to the Director

BA, Haverford College

Alanna Copenhaver comes to SEGL after an AmeriCorps fellowship year with Samaritan Ministries, where she managed the caseloads of sixty homeless or near-homeless clients. She is a graduate of Haverford College, where she studied in Northern Ireland, Kenya, and South Africa, taught with the Center for Peace and Global Citizenship, and doubled the revenues of the college's student café. She has worked with the Grameen Bank in Dhaka, Bangladesh, Search for Common Ground in Washington, DC, and Gun Free South Africa in Johannesburg, South Africa.

Heather Haines

Science

BA, Wellesley College (Sigma Xi)

MA, Boston College

Heather Haines previously taught at Newton North High School in Newton, Massachusetts, and has research experience at Wellesley College and the University of California at Berkeley. She is a 2008 recipient of a five-year, \$150,000 grant from the Knowles Science Teaching Foundation. The award honors 9-14 promising science teachers across the United States each year.

James Kessler

Arabic

BA, Cornell University

MA, University of Chicago

James Kessler teaches History at the Potomac School in McLean, Virginia. He has taught at Francis Parker School in Chicago and was a founding faculty member at Conserve School in Land O'Lakes, Wisconsin. Next year he will join the faculty at the American School in Khartoum, Sudan.

Charlotte Koeniger

Math, Admissions Director, Business Manager

BA, Haverford College

Charlotte Koeniger is an honors graduate of Haverford College, where she captained the women's squash team, founded the rock climbing club, and studied in Italy and Ghana. She began her teaching career at the Second Nature Wilderness Program in Utah, where she worked with troubled teenagers. She has tutored at Seth Boyden Elementary School and Haverford Friends School. Aside from SEGL Founder Noah Bopp, she was SEGL's first full-time employee.

Xiaoping (Megan) Linzer

Mandarin

BA, Hebei University (China)

MA, China Communications University

MA, Northern Illinois University

Megan Linzer has taught high school students in San Antonio, Texas and college students in Beijing, China. She has served as an interpreter for the Department of Justice, the Department of Homeland Security, the United States Immigration Court, as well as numerous insurance companies, banks, hospitals, and the 911 service. She has researched Chinese education best practices with the China National Institute for Educational Research. In 1989, Megan was present at the pro-democracy demonstrations in Tiananmen Square. Megan also teaches high school Mandarin at Thomas Jefferson High School in Fairfax, Virginia.



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Henry Pedersen

Ethics and Leadership, Physical Education, Operations Manager

BA, Columbia University

Henry Pedersen recently returned from a Fulbright Fellowship in India, where he studies Camelid genetics in Bikaner, Rajasthan. He is a graduate of Columbia University, where he served as Music Director of the Kingsmen *a cappella* group, and Composer, Lyricist, and Musical Director of Columbia's 113th Annual Varsity Show, *Insufficient Funds*. He composed incidental music for the major motion picture, *The Good Shepherd*, starring Robert De Niro, Matt Damon, and Angelina Jolie. In high school, he was a National Merit Finalist.

Maylén Rafuls Rosa

Spanish, Math

BA, Princeton University

Maylén Rafuls Rosa comes to SEGL after two years with the Peace Corps in Nouadhibou, Mauritania. In Mauritania, Maylén managed and taught at a resource center for girls that offered academic, extracurricular, and vocational training. Prior to teaching overseas, she worked with the UN High Commissioner for Refugees and the Comisión Española de Ayuda al Refugiado, both in Madrid, Spain. A *magna cum laude* Princeton University graduate, she was born in Cuba and grew up in Miami, Florida. She is fluent in English, French, and Spanish, and has a working knowledge of Italian and Hassānīya Arabic.

Robert Ross

Residential Assistant, Admissions Representative

BA, Harvard University

Robert Ross joins SEGL as an honors graduate of Harvard University, where he majored in Social Studies (with a concentration in Human Rights and Development in Africa), served as founder and President of the Coalition for Ugandan Peace, sang with the Harvard-Radcliffe Veritones, and won the Ames Award for Leadership, Character, and Service. He is a board member of The Child is Innocent, a non-profit organization dedicated to helping Northern Ugandan children become leaders. Robert grew up in Rochester, New Hampshire; in high school he was Class President, Valedictorian, and a National Merit Scholar.

Susan Somers

French

BA, Oberlin College

MPA, Harvard University

JD, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law

Susan Somers works at the World Bank, investigating allegations of fraud and corruption around the world. From 1996-2007, she prosecuted perpetrators of mass atrocities at the United Nations International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia, in The Hague, Netherlands. She has served as Assistant Attorney General of Ohio and as Legal Advisor to the Florida Dept. of Law Enforcement, where she advised on organized crime and corruption cases. She is fluent in Russian and French, and nearly fluent in Spanish, Serbo-Croatian, Hebrew, and Dutch.

James Warren

Latin

BA, Cambridge University

MA, Cambridge University

JD, Harvard University

James Warren is Counsel at Shearman and Sterling, where he practices international tax law. In addition to teaching Latin (which he studied at Cambridge University in England), James serves as General Counsel to the Boards of SEGL and King's Academy in Madaba-Manja, Jordan.

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