

Tod A. Burnett, Ed.D. Biography

Tod A. Burnett, Ed.D. is president of the University of Alaska Foundation and chief development officer of the University of Alaska. A visionary and performance driven leader with a distinguished career in the higher education, business, government, and non profit sectors, Dr. Burnett comes to the University of Alaska. Dr. Burnett also has been an assistant professor in the doctoral program since 2010.

From 2008 to 2017, Dr. Burnett served as president of Saddleback College. As the eighth largest college in California with over 40,000 students, Saddleback has been ranked among the top colleges in the nation. Prior to Saddleback, Dr. Burnett served as vice chancellor of the California State Colleges—the nation’s largest higher education system with 113 c

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Dr. Burnett holds an Education Doctorate in organizational leadership from Pepperdine University, a Doctorate of Business Administration from University of Southern California, a Bachelor of Arts in Education from the University of California, Riverside, and a Certificate in State and Local Government from the University of California, Riverside.