

# **Jean Boreen**

**Dean of Humanities and Social Sciences at Southern Utah University**

Cedar City, UT, US

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## **Biography**

Dr. Jean Boreen is the Dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences at Southern Utah University. She is responsible for the oversight of the programs in anthropology, communication, criminal justice, English, languages, history, philosophy, political science, psychology, public administration, secondary education, and sociology. Dr. Boreen is a strong advocate for the humanities and social sciences and is dedicated to helping students understand why a degree from this college is an excellent foundation for their future. She has over two decades of experience in administration and service at the university level, with past academic appointments including Associate Dean for the College of Arts and Letters, chair of the English Department, and coordinator of the English education program at Northern Arizona University. As faculty in the English education program, Dr. Boreen taught methods courses focused on the teaching of literature in the secondary classroom and was instrumental in securing national recognition for the program during NCATE/CAEP accreditation. Dr. Boreen's scholarship has focused primarily on the mentoring of beginning teachers, both during the student teaching experience and in the first three years of teaching; she has co-authored several books and articles on this topic. Dr. Boreen also has a deep knowledge of young adult literature and has authored several articles on its use in secondary classrooms. Dr. Boreen has been a leader in professional organizations at the state and national level related to the teaching of English/Language Arts; further, she obtained approximately \$500,000 in funded grants in support of professional development for Arizona English teachers. Dr. Boreen earned a BA in English and an MA in English (Literature) from Iowa State University. She earned a Ph.D. in English Education from The University of Iowa.

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## **Industry Expertise**

Education/Learning, Writing and Editing

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## **Areas of Expertise**

Methods of Teaching Literature in Higher Education, Methods of Teaching English, Female Protagonists in Adolescent Historical Fiction, Student Teaching, English Education, Teaching Literature to Adolescents, Language Arts, First Three Years of Teaching, Young Adult Literature, Mentoring New Teachers, Methods of Teaching Literature, Teaching Young Adult Literature

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## **Affiliations**

Arizona PARCC, Assembly on Literature for Adolescents of the National Council of Teachers of English, The Council of Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Editorial Review Board, The ALAN Review,, International Reading Association, National Council of Teachers of English, NCTE Standing Committee on Affiliates, SCOA Affiliate Excellence Award Committee, SCOA Student Affiliate Awards Committee, The Young Adult Assembly of the National Council of Teachers of English

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## **Education**

**The University of Iowa**  
Ph.D. English Education

**Iowa State University**  
M.A. English

**Iowa State University**  
B.A. English/Secondary Education

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## **Accomplishments**

**Distinguished Service Award - Shared**  
Arizona English Teachers Association, 2005

**Distinguished Service Award**  
Arizona English Teachers Association, 2008, 2016

**Distinguished Professor of the Arts and Sciences**  
2004

**Moral Courage Award, Nominee**  
Martin-Springer Institute, 2002

**English Department Outstanding Teacher Award**  
1997

**Outstanding Academic Title Award for Mentoring Beginning Teacher: Guiding, reflecting, coaching**  
Current Reviews for Academic Libraries (CHOICE), 2001

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