Sandra Kauanui, Ph.D.

Expert in entrepreneurship and business management at Florida Gulf Coast University Fort Myers, FL, US

Sandra Kauanui helps the entrepreneurial-minded build businesses, generate revenue and earn degrees.

Biography

Sandra Kauanui is a professor of entrepreneurship at Florida Gulf Coast University. Kauanui led the team that created the curriculum for the entrepreneurship master's program and the undergraduate major and minor at FGCU. She also planned and executed the Runway Program incubator, which helps students from across campus to start and build their businesses while pursuing degrees. Kauanui is also a professor emerita of management and human resources at California State Polytechnic University. Prior to her life in academia, Kauanui started and ran her own successful business for 20 years, providing financial, strategic planning and accounting services to entrepreneurial firms.

Areas of Expertise

Organizational Behavior & Culture, Seed-stage investing, Entrepreneurial Brand & Product Management, Entrepreneurship & Community Innovation, Venture Capital and Angel Capital, Business & Leadership, Lean Startup Method, Spirituality and Entrepreneurship, Startup Businesses, Entrepreneurship

Affiliations

Roundtable of Entrepreneurship Educators of Florida : Board Chair, United States Association for Small Business & Entrepreneurship : Member, International Council of Small Business & Entrepreneurship : Member

Selected Event Appearances

A partnership grounded in entrepreneurship Gov. DeSantis' Business Development Mission to Israel

Catalyzing Deep Change in Regional Communities: Making a Dent in the Universe Together Sobey School of Business

The Spiritual Entrepreneur Indian Institute of Management International Conference

Education

George Washington University Ph.D. Organizational Behavior

The College of William and Mary MBA

Virginia Wesleyan College B.A. Management

Accomplishments

Woman of the Year Awarded by Gulfshore Life magazine

Wilford L. White Fellowship

"Selection as a Wilford L. White Fellow is the highest recognition that the International Council for Small Business (ICSB) gives to individuals who have made an outstanding contribution to the development, furtherance and benefit of small and medium sized businesses."

Professor Emerita, Management and Human Resources Awarded by at California State Polytechnic University

Presidential Award

"Chosen by the [International Council for Small Business] President in consultation with the ICSB Chair, this award stands to represent individuals who feel a higher mandate to not just succeed, but rather to bestow their heart into the work that they produce."

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