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Dr. Kerns joined Governors State University in 2014 after 18+ years' experience in Operations & Supply Chain Management. Her professional career includes industries in third party logistics, operations, manufacturing, materials/inventory, distribution, warehousing and transportation. She has led teams located in the United States and China. Her past experience includes working for companies such as *Kuehne & Nagel, Cooper Industries, Focal Point Lighting, Palladium Energy, Bimba Manufacturing and Monarch Designs.*

Dr. Kerns academic background includes a Doctor of Education (EdD) degree from Olivet Nazarene University, a Master of Business Administration (MBA) from Governors State University and a Bachelors of Arts in Business Administration (BA) from Governors State University.

She earned a Lean Six Sigma Black Belt from Purdue University and is ASCM (Association of Supply Chain Management) CPIM (Certified in Planning and Inventory Management) and CLTD (Certified in Logistics, Transportation and Distribution) certified. She also earned a Council of Supply Chain Management Professional (CSCMP) SCPro™ Level 1 certification and is CPSM® (Certified Planning, Supply Management) certified with ISM (Institute of Supply Management). Dr. Kerns participates as an industry expert with ASCM, as a Committee Chair for their certification committee.

Dr. Kerns is the Associate Director of the Supply Chain Innovation and Business Incubator, a member of the Illinois Innovation Network. With training and consulting, Dr. Kerns works directly with companies to improve performance and quality. She teaches certification courses to the public and local corporations. Classes include Lean Six Sigma Green Belt, Introduction to Supply Chain Management, Time Management, LS³C Lean Six Sigma for Supply Chain and Leadership.