



## Eileen Walker

**ESC Consultant Since:** 2019

**Education:**

Masters in International Management/M.B.A.,  
American Graduate School of International  
Management (Thunderbird)  
B.A., Communication, University of Colorado,  
Boulder

**AREAS OF EXPERTISE:** Nonprofit leadership and management, higher education, strategic planning, marketing, economic development, consulting

**GOVERNMENT EXPERIENCE:** Eileen served as a Fulbright Specialist with the Fulbright Commission of the U.S. Department of State, supporting the placement of U.S. university faculty and professionals to serve as expert consultants at academic institutions abroad. As a Specialist with Fulbright Colombia, Eileen worked with the Universidad Antonio Nariño in Bogotá on the creation of a governance structure and strategic plan for their university research park.

**HIGHER EDUCATION NONPROFIT EXPERIENCE:** Most recently, Eileen was appointed to lead the international Association of University Research Parks, working with major research universities on economic development initiatives. Prior to this role, she served in leadership roles at Arizona State University Research Park where she led strategic initiatives and partnership efforts between the University Research Park and industry companies including Motorola and Iridium Satellite, along with nonprofit partners including the North Central Association (now known as the Higher Learning Commission) and the Institute for Supply Management.

**NONPROFIT VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE:** Eileen was a member of the Advisory Board of the Committee on Innovation, Competitiveness and Economic Prosperity of the American Public and Land Grant Universities (APLU), where she advised on regional economic development strategies and was honored with the 2016 APLU Outstanding Service Award. She also served for many years in volunteer leadership positions for the American Graduate School of International Management (Thunderbird), culminating in service on the Thunderbird Global Advisory Board. Eileen has served on the Board of Directors of Habitat for Humanity Tucson. She currently volunteers regularly with GreySave Pasadena.

**EXAMPLES OF ESC CLIENTS:** St. Barnabas Senior Services

**INTERESTS:** Practitioner of Iyengar yoga, meditation, greyhound adoption