

# Academic Preparation that Science & Technology Industries Seek for a Productive Workforce





## Bio – Corinne Kanaly

- Inspiration – high school math teacher
- Plan – non-typical career path
- Interest – Computer Science
  - Opportunity in high school for summer class at SD City JC
  - Look for summer internships, volunteer positions, or internal departmental assignments for potential inspirations!
- SDSU Graduate – AB Liberal Arts & Sciences
  - Major – Mathematics; Minor – Business
- Currently – Manager, QCT Technical Publications

\*\* Recommend on-campus recruiting \*\*



## Essential Skills for Productive Employees

- Good attitude
- Enthusiastic
- Ability to multitask & set priorities
- Flexible
- Tool knowledge
- Teachable
- Take initiative
- Willing to ask questions
- Intuitive
- Dependable/responsible



## Curriculum Suggestion

### - A Required Technical Writing Course

- All jobs require employees to write
  - Test plan
  - Presentation
  - Specification
  - Design document
- Topics to include
  - Templates & tools
  - Document contents
  - Basic grammar (ESL)
  - Configuration Mgmt
  - Where to get document help
  - XML & databases (CMS - Content Mgmt System)