

LuAnn Piccard, PMP, is a passionate and visionary leader with a proven ability to inspire collaboration, drive strategic results, and advance project management excellence. As professor and chair of the Project Management Department at the University of Alaska Anchorage, she is dedicated to shaping the next generation of project management professionals by fostering applied and forward-thinking learning environments, emphasizing creativity, agility, and accountability.

With over 20 years of senior executive experience, Ms. Piccard has led complex, high-stakes enterprises across the technology sector, including Hewlett-Packard, Agilent Technologies, and Advanced Energy Industries. She delivered impactful business outcomes, including advanced technology, profitable growth, streamlined operations, and accelerated time-to-value for global markets. Her ability to envision and implement innovative solutions transformed operations and elevated customer satisfaction globally. Extensive international travel and living abroad further enriched her perspective, enabling her to lead culturally diverse teams to success.

As a dedicated 19-year Project Management Institute volunteer, Ms. Piccard has played a key role in shaping the profession. As a former PMI Board Director from 2019 to 2021, and again from 2022 to 2024, Piccard previously served as Chair of the PMI Board of Directors and leader of strategic committees. In these roles, she strengthened global standards, championed innovation and life-long learning, and promoted the power of community. Her work as Chair of the PMI Global Accreditation Center advanced academic excellence and set benchmarks for project management education worldwide.

She is equally passionate about social impact with service on 10 nonprofit boards, including Habitat for Humanity of Anchorage, where she strengthened governance structures and championed affordable housing initiatives. Known for her contagious enthusiasm and stakeholder-focused leadership, she inspires teams to embrace creativity, tackle challenges, and drive meaningful, lasting change.

Ms. Piccard holds BS and MS Engineering/Product Design degrees from Stanford University, PMP® certification, and a Lean Six Sigma Green Belt. Her leadership philosophy centers on creating cultures of innovation, continuous improvement, and social responsibility that deliver lasting, global impact.