



2024-2025

The Illinois Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators, Inc.

ILASFAA CANDIDATE ACCEPTANCE

Name of Candidate:

Robert Bielmeier

Candidate is running for office of:

Executive Vice President

Candidate's EDUCATION background -- degree, institution, year (year is optional):

Master of Science (Student Affairs in Higher Education)
Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO May 2021

Bachelor of Science (Organizational and Professional Development)
Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, IL August 2018

Associates of Applied Science (Office Professional)
Parkland College, Champaign, IL May 2015

Candidate's PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (please list current position first):

Associate Director, Financial Aid
Parkland College Jan 2024 – Present
Director, Financial Aid
Arizona College of Nursing – Tucson Jan 2022 – Nov 2023
Financial Aid Advisor/Student Loan Coordinator
Parkland College Dec 2018 – Nov 2021
Financial Aid Assistant
Parkland College Aug 2015 – Dec 2018

Candidate's PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES – years and activities:

ILASFAA: Facilities Committee Member Nov 2019 – Mar 2020
ILASFAA: Facilities Co-Chair Mar 2020 – Nov 2021
ILASFAA: Sector Vice President for Community Mar 2021 – Nov 2021

What contribution do you envision ILASFAA making to the financial aid profession?

I envision ILASFAA playing a crucial role in the financial aid profession by offering tailored training and professional development opportunities, fostering leadership and networking to assist our members in advancing within their careers; All while continuing the organizations strong commitment to promoting diversity and inclusion. These efforts will contribute to the

financial aid professionals within our organization by continuing to empower them to fortify the role of financial aid in higher education and ensure equitable, affordable access to education.

How would you support financial aid professionals as we move into the future for ILASFAA?

My primary focus would be on strategically aligning ILASFAA's mission and goals with the quickly evolving landscape of financial aid. I would strive to ensure that ILASFAA continues to provide cutting-edge training and professional development opportunities to keep our membership up to date with the latest knowledge required to successfully navigate the intricacies and changes we're seeing this this year, and into the future.