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Brian Hawkins, University of Colorado, Boulder

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Brian Hawkins, University of Colorado, Boulder

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Leslie Cintron, Washington and Lee University

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Jason Mazaik, Mass Bay Community College

About the Author

Diana Kendall received a Ph.D. from the University of Texas at Austin, where she was invited to membership in Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society.

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