Dr. Kenneth E. Kendall has been a champion of The PhD Project Information Systems DSA for 20 years. He has served as a presenter for our Information Systems Doctoral Students Association conference since its inception in 1996. Dr. Kendall has been recognized as an inaugural member of The PhD Project ISDSA’s Circle of Compadres. Dr. Kendall refers to the students and graduates of the PhD Project as his family.

Dr. Kenneth E. Kendall is a Distinguished Professor of Management in the School of Business-Camden, Rutgers University. He is one of the founders the International Conference on Information Systems (ICIS) and a Fellow of the Decision Sciences Institute (DSI). He served as President of DSI and the Chair of IFIP Working Group 8.2. Dr. Kendall has been named as one of the top 60 most productive MIS researchers in the world; and he was awarded the Silver Core from the International Federation of Information Processing. He has published over 100 research articles. He served as Program Chair for both DSI and AMCIS (Americas Conference on Information Systems). He recently co-authored a text, Systems Analysis and Design, 9th edition, which has been translated into many languages. Dr. Kendall also edited the book Emerging Information Technologies: Improving Decisions, Cooperation, and Infrastructure. He served as Associate Editor for the journal Decision Sciences for 12 years, and currently serves as Associate Editor or on the editorial boards of many other scholarly journals in information systems.

Ken, whose doctorate is from SUNY Buffalo, has participated with minority students and faculty in the PhD Project Information Systems Doctoral Students Association Conference as a presenter and mentor since ISDSA began in 1996. He has particularly enjoyed developing interactive workshops with his wife and co-author, Dr. Julie E. Kendall, a fellow Hall of Fame inductee. These workshops have been identified as a favorite of doctoral students participating in the Information Systems DSA throughout the years.

Dr. Kendall was named the 2010 Educator of the Year in Information Systems by the Education Special Interest Group of the Association of Information Technology Professionals and received the 2014 Dennis E. Grawoig Distinguished Service Award from DSI. Dr. Kendall’s research interests include systems analysis and design, emerging IT, organizational engagement with open source communities, and IT project management. Having graduated from Canisius College with an undergraduate degree in math, he now writes about metaphors, myths, and storytelling in the business world. Dr. Kendall loves the theatre and opera and has also published numerous articles about performing arts management. Ken and his wife Julie have written gender-neutral lyrics for the Rutgers Alma Mater, sung annually at commencement.