

## **Vicky Young**

Vicky Young was a military wife for 20 years, living across the world, including the Philippines and Iceland. Starting as a Prescott College assistant registrar, she earned her BA (1995), then two MEd degrees in Ed Leadership and Counseling from Northern Arizona University, and a MA and PhD (2007) in Human and Organizational Systems from Fielding Graduate University. In 2004, she donated her kidney to a Native American former colleague. Her dissertation was about living kidney donors' experiences. She was recruited for the United Network of Organ Sharing board overseeing U.S. policies for organ transplantation. Under aegis of the Center for Indian Bilingual Teacher Education, Vicky represented PC on the Navajo Nation Teacher Education Consortium. For two decades, she guided students from over 15 Southwest sovereign nations to become bilingual and bicultural teachers applying their indigenous language, history, and culture in the reservation and border town classrooms. She designed curriculum to create one of the first Arizona early childhood teacher certification programs and served numerous years on the AZ Department of Education Early Childhood Program Reviews. Vicky was selected to work in Jakarta, Indonesia, on a Ministry of National Education and World Bank project aimed at providing rural educators with college credit for their academic work in isolated island community schools. Currently, Vicky teaches online undergraduate and graduate human development and psychology courses, such as Community Psychology, Learning Theories, and Living with Loss: Studies of Grief and Transitions. Vicky is a mother of three and grandmother of eight (plus).