Advisory and Development Council

The advisory council is comprised of industry and community leaders in the Antelope Valley. Members from the Aerospace and Defense industry at the national and state level help guide our engineering programs and ensure highest-quality education, internships and career opportunities for students.

The council’s mission:

- To form a liaison between the university and industry and to keep administration and faculty informed of modern engineering practice
- To assist the Antelope Valley Engineering Program in keeping its curricula and programs up-to-date
- To advise on internship and placement opportunities for students and graduates as they arise before and after graduation
- To support the Antelope Valley Engineering Program’s needs for equipment and funding

2017-2018 Members

- Dr. Michael Peters, Test Manager - Northrop Grumman Corporation, Aerospace Systems
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