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Christensen brought her expertise to IAUP where she served as Treasurer from 2017 to 2021.

She holds an M.B.A. from the University of North Texas and earned her doctorate in Business Ethics and Cultural Foundations from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

At Arcadia University (2007-2017), she served with distinction leading strategic development initiatives which propelled the university to a status recognized for exceptional education and became President of the University in 2013. As Vice President, Chief Operating Officer, and President she built impactful strategic alliances, led pioneering efforts in global education, drove record high recruitment efforts, implemented a new capital plan and was responsible for innovative and effective restructuring across the institution.

Prior to this, as Executive Director of New York University Global Programs, she was responsible for a network of overseas campuses that extended the university's presence across the world. Before moving to NYU, Christensen was at Guilford College for 13 years where she combined roles as tenured Professor in Business Management, Department Chair, and Director of International Education.

In her distinguished career she was awarded a Fulbright-Hayes Scholarship to study in East Asia, the first AIEA Neal Presidential mentor for International Education, Smart CEO Brava Award in Pennsylvania and named Outstanding Businesswoman to Watch. She has served on many boards, speaks publicly at both the national and international level and has been involved in several global initiatives for the United Nations, including the Special Olympics and the Commission on Disarmament Affairs.