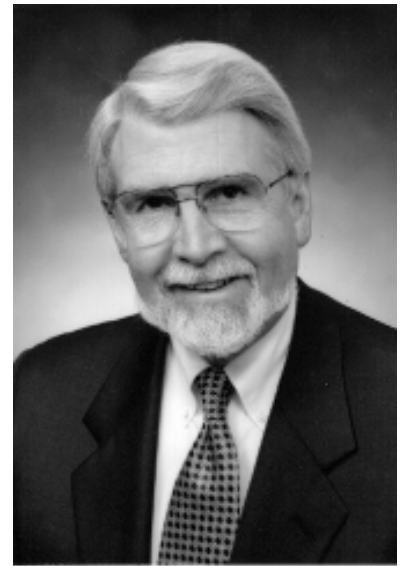


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Helped by circumstance to freedom and opportunity, Stan founded the American Language Academy (ALA) in Washington, D.C., in 1970, to provide intensive English language training to students and professionals entering the US for further study, career development, or special short-term programs. That single teaching program has grown to fourteen in the USA, and a broad network in eastern Germany. In the early 1980's, ALA entered the field of computer-assisted language learning (CALL), and, with its patented audio software, is now the premier American producer of high-quality software for English language learning.



A native of Minnesota, where he sails on a lake when not otherwise sailing on the Chesapeake, Stan is a graduate of Harvard College and the Harvard Business School Owner/President/Manager Program. He has taught in English as a second language programs in the US and Turkey, and has directed programs in the US. He is active in Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages and NAFSA: Association of Intentional Educators, and was for nine years a Trustee of the Accrediting Council for Continuing Education and Training, a national educational accrediting agency.

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