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Over the last 39 years, Steve has been part of, or co-founded eight Silicon Valley startups. These have run the gamut from semiconductors, video games, personal computers, and supercomputers. (MIPS, Zilog, Rocket Science, SuperMac, Convergent Technologies, Ardent, ESL) Steve's last company was E.piphany, an enterprise software company.

Steve is a past board member of California League of Conservation Voters (CLCV), Audubon California, Peninsula Open Space Trust (POST) and Startup Weekend. He served as a governors appointee to the California Coastal Commission.

Steve currently teaches entrepreneurship at U.C. Berkeley- Haas Business School, Columbia University, and Stanford University. In 2009 he was awarded the Stanford University Undergraduate Teaching Award in the department of Management Science and Engineering. In 2010, he was awarded the Earl F. Cheit Outstanding Teaching Award at U.C. Berkeley Haas School of Business. In 2011 the National Science Foundation adopted his Lean Launchpad class as the U.S. standard for commercializing bas...

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- Chief Innovation Officer Fortune 1000 Company.

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- CEO Fortune 1000 Company.

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