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BIOGRAPHY

Thomas J. Kull is a Professor of Supply Chain Management at Arizona State University's W. P. Carey School of Business and a recognized expert in supply chain risk, behavioral sourcing, and socio-technical systems. His work focuses on how complexity, human behavior, and strategic design interact to shape supply chain performance—particularly under disruption.

Kull has published extensively in leading journals such as *Journal of Operations Management* and *Production and Operations Management*, and his research has informed both academic thinking and real-world decision-making. His books extend this impact, including work on how people, processes, and culture jointly determine the success of lean transformations, as well as a widely used operations and supply chain management textbook that translates core principles into practical managerial frameworks. He has advised organizations ranging from U.S. federal and state agencies to global firms including Boeing and Dell Technologies.

Beyond research, he is an innovator in executive and experiential learning, serving as the principal inventor of multiple supply chain simulations used worldwide, including tools for contract negotiation and healthcare logistics in developing regions. His work bridges theory and practice, helping leaders better understand—and strategically manage—the risks and opportunities embedded in traditional and non-traditional supply chains.

