Melinda joined Shasta College as a part-time geography instructor in 2006. Since that time, this PhD recipient from the University of California of Los Angeles has established herself as an excellent instructor who is deeply committed to student learning. She is a campus leader in online instruction, serving on the Distance Ed Committee and representing Shasta College on the statewide Online Education initiative. She has worked diligently to promote the geography/GIS program and has repeatedly stepped in to help when the need arose.

Beyond the classroom Melinda has authored books (Walking with Your Ancestors: A Genealogist’s Guide to Using Maps and Geography), numerous scholarly articles, and she is a recognized expert in many specialized resources, including cartography, Federal records, the Gold Rush, land records, genealogy, and neighborhood reconstruction. A regular volunteer at the Whiskeytown Environmental School, her interests have recently taken her as far afield as Lexington, Massachusetts, where she presented at the Scottish Rite Masonic Museum. Her colleagues write of her, “Dr. Kashuba is a treasure and a credit to this institution. We are honored to work alongside her.”

Terrie has been an instructor for the ADN program for the last 35 years making her the most senior of the current faculty. She came to us from Michigan in the Fall of 1980 when her family relocated here to Redding. Terrie has her Master’s of Science in Nursing and is also a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner. Throughout her time at Shasta College, Terrie has received approval from the Board of Registered Nursing to teach in all six disciplines of nursing. She has participated in the nursing education of 1,790 students who graduated from the ADN nursing program from 1980 to Fall 2014. Terrie is noted for her desire to have fun as part of her work. You never know when she will break into song, dance or a rap as part of her class content, to relieve tension in meetings, or at the Nursing Pinning Ceremonies. Her dedication to her students cannot be questioned, but Terrie has also been dedicated to the community of Redding. She is an active partner in healthcare forums in the community and participates in many of the events that focus on the future of healthcare.