## MARGIT TEMPER

## **BCC ACHIEVEMENTS:**

- AA DEGREE IN BUSINESS
- BUSINESS CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT
- 2017 SALUTATORIAN



Margit Temper, Salutatorian for Berkeley City College's Class of 2017. Coming to California and enrolling in BCC was the best decision she ever made. As a native of a rural farm town in Austria, Margit arrived in the United States with her husband with no big plans. "Like every other poor person, my life was scheduled. I never thought I could go to college or achieve more and live a dream - I had no dreams," Margit says.

Now working part time as a Student Assistant for Web Design at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, Margit says this would not have been possible without BCC.

But moving to a new country was only one adjustment Margit needed to make. At 40 years old, Margit

says she needed to learn how to study again having been away from a classroom for more than 23 years. It was difficult at first when she enrolled at BCC, but Margit gives credit to BCC counselors and faculty for their encouragement and support. "It was a big challenge, but I worked closely with counselors and other students. And, I learned that there are people studying here of all different ages and backgrounds," she said. With her AA in General Business, Margit says she is open to all possibilities.

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