Annette Proebsting  
*Lecturer in Accounting*

“I am always interested in new experiences,” says Annette Proebsting, who earned her bachelor’s degree in business with honors from the University of Texas at Dallas before receiving her Master of Library Science from Indiana University. “And I love to explore learning opportunities.”

It’s no surprise, then, that Annette has devoted herself so completely to IU’s business school and the students that IU seeks to educate. Hired in August of 1996, she has worked as a lecturer in the Department of Accounting, teaching introductory financial accounting to over 2,000 students.

In the 11 years that she has been at IU, she has always gone the extra mile to help her students learn, achieve, and prosper. For instance, she regularly incorporated illustrations to help students visualize tricky accounting concepts. She also concentrated on basics and an incremental approach to accounting by using special vocabulary and language of accounting materials. Annette’s students greatly appreciated her knowledge, support, insight, and dedication in helping them succeed.

In addition to lecturing, Annette’s main departmental service activity included coordinating the accounting course schedule each semester for up to 50 faculty members. She also coordinated the department’s public relations media.

Though Annette was known to stay late at school to get the job done, she is very much looking forward to the time she’ll spend outside of the office when she packs her bags and moves to Seattle to be closer to her children and grandchildren. Her suitcase, however, will no doubt be logging many more miles beyond the trip to Washington. For starters, she’s headed to Europe next year to enjoy one of those “new experiences” she lives for.

Though her colleagues hate to say goodbye to such a treasured member of the department, they take comfort in knowing that Annette’s grandchildren will have their beloved grandmother nearby so that together they can explore many more learning opportunities.

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