Faculty Profile

Pamela D. Sherer, Ph.D.

• Professor of Management

Academic Background

• University of Massachusetts, Isenberg School of Management, Amherst, MA – Ph. D., Management, 1986

• Clark University, Graduate School of Management, Worcester, MA – MBA, 1980

• Southern Illinois University, Department of Higher Education, Carbondale, IL – M.S. Higher Education Administration, 1973

• Carthage College, Kenosha, WI – BA Sociology, 1971

Sample Courses Taught at Providence College

Teaching activities include courses in Organizational Theory, Managing Workplace Diversity, Comparative Management

Teaching Philosophy

A rich learning environment should afford students the opportunity to explore complex ideas and tools that they can build upon in their future academic pursuits and continue to use in their professional and personal lives. The students in my courses are future businesswomen and men, health care professionals, teachers, lawyers, scientists, politicians and others who will shape our future. It is essential to provide those students with a combination of theoretical foundations and real life situational experiences. Therefore, participation is a way of life in my courses. This is accomplished by creating learning environments where students, working individually and in teams, are actively engaged in their learning through case studies, simulations, negotiations, role-plays, field investigations and scholarly research.

Research & Interests

These bridge many fields. Research activities focus on: organizational development and change in both academic and corporate settings; pedagogy and technology; faculty development practices; and collaborative learning.
Selected Publications


Selected Scholarly Presentations and Activities


• Sherer, P. & Shea, T. (2007). *Undergraduate Student-Faculty Collaborative Research: Creating a Win-Win for Students, Faculty and Business Schools.* AACSB International Undergraduate Programs Conference, Baltimore, MD.


Selected Appointments and Awards

- Founding Director of the Providence College Center for Teaching Excellence 1994-1997
- Invited Faculty, College of Worcester Consortium Certificate in College Teaching program, Fall 2004 – Present
- Visiting Professor, University of Pittsburgh’s Institute for Shipboard Education, Semester at Sea Program, Summer 2001.
- Visiting Scholar (Sabbatical), Escuela de Postgrado en Administration de Empresas (ESPAE) of Escuela Superior Politechnica del Literal in Guayaquil, Equador. Fall, 1998.
- New England Faculty Development Consortium Board Member, 1998-2006
- The John McMahon, O.P. Award, "Exemplary Service and Dedication to the Providence College Community," Providence College, 1995
- Outstanding Achievement in Teaching, Commencement Award, College of Management Science, University of Massachusetts Lowell, 1989
- Outstanding Graduate Faculty Teaching Award, All University Graduate Student Association Award, University of Massachusetts Lowell, 1988