Charlene Beckmann, Ph.D.

“Our entire faculty group is constantly working to refine teaching techniques in order to make mathematics more meaningful and practical to our students.”

Charlene Beckmann has a special ability to take complex mathematical concepts and make them understandable. She says it’s all about knowing her students well enough to find common areas of knowledge. It also has something to do with caring enough about them to make learning real, practical, and meaningful. The Michigan section of the Mathematical Association of America would seem to agree. They presented Charlene with their 2002 Award for Distinguished University Teaching of Mathematics in recognition of “extraordinary successful teaching.”

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