

Leslie Hodder

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Biography

Leslie Hodder left Stanford University to join the IU faculty in 2003. Since arriving at Kelley she has taught in every program offered at the Kelley School of Business at Indiana University: Undergraduate, Graduate Accounting, MBA, and Ph.D. Hodder hopes that by incorporating unstructured cases and emphasizing uncertainty, she creates an environment within the classroom that accentuates the process of understanding. Through the years, Hodder has earned numerous accolades for her teaching performance, curriculum development, research contributions, and advisory work. For instance, she received the Alpha Kappa Psi Teacher's Excellence Award, the Kelley School of Business Innovative Teaching Award, the Kelley School of Business Outstanding Research Award, and the American Accounting Association's Wildman Medal (for research likely to contribute to significant advancements in accounting practice). Hodder's vita reflects 14 peer-reviewed, published articles, 11 of which are published in top-tier accounting journals. The primary objective of her program of research relates to accounting measurements and how they reflect the qualitative characteristics of information described in accounting standard setters' conceptual frameworks. Much of her research has focused on current financial-reporting issues confronting standard setters, in contexts that inform conceptual accounting debates. Because of their measurement complexity and significance to the economy, Hodder's research generally focuses on financial institutions and financial instruments. Having served for three years as an editor for The Accounting Review, Hodder has been asked to chair educational committees for the Financial Accounting Standards Board. "I love accounting because it is both theoretical and practical," says Hodder, whose favorite places in nature, science, and accounting are those transition zones where one thing blends into another. "[I appreciate] where data analytics becomes accounting, where managerial accounting becomes financial, where undergraduates become graduate students, and where students become practitioners." Hodder and her spouse have four children and two cats, all of whom are accomplished and appear in class materials from time to time. Although family and work keep her busy, Hodder's hobbies include travel and gardening. "I've learned to balance these hobbies by traveling for work and learning how to install automated drip irrigation," says Hodder.

Industry Expertise

Accounting, Education/Learning, Research, Capital Markets, Banking

Areas of Expertise

Financial Accounting, Accounting Theory, Research Methods, Bank Accounting, Risk Measurement and Disclosure in Financial Institutions, Valuation, Measurement and Disclosure Issues Related to Financial Instruments, Market Risk, Capital Structure, Credit Risk and Organizational Form

Secondary Titles

Dean's Research Professorship

Education

Graduate School of Business, University of Texas at Austin
Ph.D. Accounting

Anderson School of Management, University of New Mexico
M.B.A/M.Acc. Information Systems

Anderson School of Management, University of New Mexico
B.B.A

Accomplishments

Innovative Teaching Award
2013 Awarded by the Kelley School of Business at Indiana University

Deloitte Foundation Wildman Medal Award
2009 Awarded by the American Accounting Association

Outstanding Researcher Award
2008 Awarded by the Kelley School of Business at Indiana University

Outstanding Faculty Advisor Award
2008 Awarded by the Student Accounting Society and Beta Alpha Psi

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