

1996 ITAA Fellow – Antigone Kotsiopoulos



Antigone Kotsiopoulos, Colorado State University, is considered one of our most well-rounded ITAA members, excelling in intellectual leadership, professional competence, curricular development, and research. As ITAA President, Antigone encouraged by-law changes focusing on strategic planning to prepare ITAA for the next century. Antigone's exceptional leadership in enriching merchandising programs is based on interfacing theory with industry issues and personnel. She has created workshops for retail practitioners and a departmental program, which is a model for community outreach. *Merchandising Mathematics*, a successful Fairchild publication and computer program coauthored by Antigone, simplifies a subject critical to merchandisers. The merchandising program at Colorado State University received the first ATMI Award for Excellence in recognition of its undergraduate experience under Antigone's leadership as coordinator. Antigone has been recognized as an outstanding teacher and has won awards for the quality of her research. Antigone is "Skilled in balancing visionary thinking with pragmatism; a creative, motivational leader with 'can do' style; and a colleague, mentor, and friend to many".