Deborah DeZure
Biographical Statement

Deborah DeZure is Assistant Provost for Faculty and Organizational Development at Michigan State University (MSU). Before joining MSU in 2003, she served as Coordinator of Faculty Programs at the Center for Research on Learning and Teaching at the University of Michigan (U-M). Prior to U-M, she was Director of the Faculty Center for Instructional Excellence at Eastern Michigan University for a decade. Deborah earned her B.A., M.A., and Ph.D. (Interdisciplinary Humanities and Education) from New York University. Deborah has edited two books, entitled Learning from Change: Landmarks on Teaching and Learning in Higher Education from Change Magazine (1969-1999) (AAHE, 2000) and To Improve the Academy (POD Network, 1997). From 2002-2009, she was Contributing Editor of Change Magazine. She continues to serve on the Editorial Board of Change and four other journals on teaching and learning in higher education. She publishes and presents widely on university teaching and faculty and leadership development. As a Senior Fellow at AAC&U, she served as co-PI on the Integrative Learning Project sponsored by the Carnegie Foundation and AAC&U. Deborah and her MSU colleagues won the 2007 Midwest HR CUPA award for best practices in leadership development for the MSU Executive Leadership Academy, POD’s 2007 Robert Menges Award for Outstanding Research in Faculty Development for their study of mid-career faculty that later appeared in Change, and POD’s 2009 Innovation Award for their Orientation for Newly Tenured Associate Professors: “From Associate Professor to Professor- Productive Decision-Making at Mid-Career.” In 2009, Deborah joined an international delegation of faculty development experts (including many POD members) in Beijing, China, to explore the role that faculty development and faculty development networks can play in the growth of Chinese higher education. More recently, Deborah is a co-PI on a DeLPHE Iraq grant funded by the British Council to train teams of Iraqis academics in faculty development to build Iraq’s higher education infrastructure. Deborah and her husband Tom DeZure have two children, Jessica 34 and Adam 30.