# Merete Hvalshagen

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**Education** 

PMP Certification Project Management Institute, 2013

PMP Project Management Professional

Ph.D. Indiana University, Kelley School of Business, 2011

Major: Management Information Systems. Minor: Cognitive Psychology Dissertation: Harnessing Narratives to Understand User Requirements

M.B.A. Indiana University, Kelley School of Business, 2002

Majors: Strategic Management, Marketing

Executive Training Norwegian School of Management , 1999 (1/3 of the Master of Management program)

**Project Management** 

M.S. Norwegian University of Science and Technology, 1997

(Diploma Engineer) Major: Computer Information Systems

Thesis: Rosetta – A Data Mining Tool Based on Rough Set Theory

B.S. Norwegian University of Science and Technology, 1995

(Diploma Engineer) Major: Computer Information Systems

# **Academic Appointments**

Jan 2017 - Present

School of Business, University of Dayton (Clinical Assistant Professor of MIS)

## Teaching:

- MIS 301 (Information Systems in Organizations): A course where students explore the impact of information systems and technology in businesses, for individuals, and in society. Includes labs and hands-on practice with various software tools, including database and business intelligence tools.
- MBA 660/MBA 660 (2U): (Information Technology and Systems): An online course where graduate
  students are provided with the technical foundations for understanding and using various types of
  information systems (IS). Includes hands-on assignment with business technology like advanced
  spreadsheets, database applications, and business intelligence tools.
- MBA 615 (2U): (Business Analytics: Processes and Applications): An online course where graduate students are introduced to the main phases of the life cycle of analytics. Includes hands-on assignments using current BI analytics tools like Tableau and SPSS.
- MIS 305: (Introduction to Business Applications: Problem Solving with Visual Tools): Introduction to basic programming structures, graphical user interface design, and other tools using a visual programming language such as Visual Basic.net.
- *MIS 307: (Developing Spreadsheet Applications):* Application of computer programming concepts to the spreadsheet environment. Development of full-featured spreadsheet applications.
- MIS 366: (Business Intelligence): The use of computer-based data analysis tools to support managers in problem solving and decision making.
- *UDI 229: (Creative Analytics Mini-Series):* A course where students are introduced to commonly used Business Analytics (BA) methods through a series of hands-on assignments

Jan 2016 - Dec 2016

School of Business, University of Dayton (Adjunct Instructor of MIS)

## Teaching:

- MIS 301 (Information Systems in Organizations): See description above.
- MBA 660: (Information Technology and Systems): See description above.

Jan 2015 - Dec 2015

School of Business, University of Dayton (Visiting Assistant Professor of MIS)

## Teaching:

- MIS 301 (Information Systems in Organizations): See description above.
- MBA 660: (Information Technology and Systems): See description above

#### Service and Other Academic Activities:

- Master of Business Analytics: Lead the curriculum planning and development for the MIS classes within the new graduate program
- National Student Case Competition: Successfully guided several student teams in a national case competition. One team ended up as a finalist, placing third, and receiving formal recognition.

Aug 2013 - Dec 2014

School of Business, University of Dayton (Adjunct Instructor of MIS)

## Teaching:

- MIS 366/MIS 366 (Business Intelligence): This course provides students with a comprehensive
  understanding of the field of Business Intelligence (BI), and focuses on the skills needed to plan and
  execute BI initiatives in an organization. Hands-on assignment includes advanced data mining tools,
  end-user visualization, and BI life-cycle management with MS SQL Server.
- MIS 301 (Information Systems in Organizations): See description above.
- MBA 660: (Information Technology and Systems): See description above.

Aug 2010 – Jul 2012

Tabor School of Business, Millikin University (Assistant Professor of IS)

#### Teaching:

- Data Mining for Business Intelligence: Application of methods for data description and reduction, methods for building predictive models using analysis techniques like multiple linear regression, logistic regression, and k-nearest neighbors.
- Databases and Database Application Development: Information analysis, conceptual design, logical design, physical design, normalization, SQL programming, database application development.
- Introductory Programming: Windows programming with Visual Studio, C#, and programming concepts like variables, methods, event handling, file I/O, and debugging.
- Intermediate Programming: Windows programming with Visual Studio, C#, and programming concepts like classes, abstractions, specialization and inheritance, and polymorphism, database-driven applications, and error handling.
- Web Programming: Web programming using Visual Studio, ASP.net, C#, and programming concepts like HTML, server controls, cascading style sheets, master pages, skins, themes, and ADO.net.
- *Mobile App Programming:* Android application development with Eclipse and Java with focus on the Eclipse IDE, Android SDK Tools, and Android Development Tools.

#### **Service and Other Academic Activities:**

- Revised IS Curriculum: Formulated new learning goals, revised curriculum, and develop new lessons plans for a variety of IS classes to ensure an more integrated course design, to include more handson assignments, and to emphasize real-world relevance of IS.
- Supported IS Adjuncts: Provided lesson plans, guidance and support to adjuncts teaching IS classes.
- Supervised Student Internships and Directed Studies: Served as faculty advisor for students doing IS internships with local businesses. Also served as a faculty advisor for students performing directed studies by providing learning goals, material, lesson plans, and guidance.
- *Mentored Students:* Mentored and advised students regarding their academic progress and performance on a continuous basis throughout the academic year.
- Information & Technology Advisory Committee: Served as a member of the Information & Technology Advisory Committee at Millikin University.

# **Industry Experience**

Aug 2012 – Jan 2014

Sogeti, USA (Manager)

- Performed Business Intelligence maturity assessment and developed Business Intelligence roadmaps for multiple clients.
- Defined business processes and requirements for master data management programs, analytical solutions, reporting solutions, and global enterprise data warehouses.
- Participated in establishing a BI User Group for the Dayton local area.

May 2002 – Aug 2002

Megaputer Intelligence, USA (Business Consultant)

- Developed proof-of-concepts and business proposal for business intelligence solutions for clients.
- Devised a market expansion strategy for Megaputer Intelligence.

May 2001 - Aug 2001

PricewaterhouseCoopers Consulting, Norway (Internship – Business Consultant)

Consulted business clients on Customer Relationship Management (CRM) systems.

1997-2000

IF Insurance, Norway (Project Manager, IT Consultant for Data Warehouse Group)

- Lead data warehouse development projects.
- Developed analytical and business intelligence solutions for marketing.
- Participated in the M&A technical integration team.
- Planned and executed Y2K certification of information systems.
- Created user training programs and conducted training of business executives.

1996, 1995

Kalin Setterberg Data AB, Norway (Internship - Programmer)

Developed software applications (programming, client installation, user training, and maintenance).

## **Journal Publications**

Hvalshagen, M., Samuel, B., and Lukyanenko R., "Empowering Users with Narratives: Examining the Efficacy of Narratives for Understanding Data-Oriented Conceptual Models", Information Systems Research, Published Online 31st August, 2022

Hvalshagen, M., and Khatri, V. "ODAP: An Ontological Approach for Expressing Semantics of Analysis Patterns in Conceptual Modeling," Information Technology and Management (9:2) 2008, pp 121-134.

Hvalshagen, M. "Transforming the IT Organization for the State of Virginia," Information Systems Management (21:4) 2004, pp 52-61.

## Conference Proceedings

Hvalshagen, M., Samuel, B. "Conceptual Data Models and Narratives: A Tool to Help the Tool," in: 14th Symposium on System Analysis and Design (SIGSAND), Cincinnati, Ohio, 2017.

Hvalshagen, M., Khatri, V., and Venkataraman, R. "Testing the Comprehension of Use Case Narratives and Use Cases," in: Eight Symposium on System Analysis and Design (SIGSAND), Richmond, Virginia, 2009.

Hvalshagen, M., Khatri, V., and Venkataraman, R. "Understanding Use Cases: Harnessing the Power of Narratives to Comprehend Application Domains," in: 14th Americas Conference on Information Systems (AMCIS), Toronto, ON, Canada, 2008.

Hvalshagen, M., Khatri, V., and Venkataraman, R. "Helping Non-Experts to Understand Application Domains: Stories as a Substitute for Own Experience," in: Seventh Symposium on System Analysis and Design (SIGSAND), Provo, Utah, 2008.

Hvalshagen, M., Khatri, V., and Lee, C. "Meta Ontology for Describing Analysis Patterns in Conceptual Modeling," in: 15th Workshop on Information Technologies and Systems (WITS), Las Vegas, Nevada, 2005.

# **Conference Presentations**

Hvalshagen, M., "Teaching the Digital Natives in the Information Age" at: Millikin Interdisciplinary Conference, Decatur, Illinois, 2011.

# **Working Papers**

Samuel, B.; Hvalshagen, M "Multimedia approaches for presenting cardinality constraints in ER Diagrams".