

Dr. Richard (Rick) Jerz

Who is Rick Jerz?

- “Jerz”, as in New Jers (ey)
- Born in **Chicago**
 - Northwest side of the city – Albany Park
 - Hibbard Elementary, Von Steuben middle school, Roosevelt High
- **My youth**
 - Sports and outdoors
 - Math
 - A good student
 - Worked every summer starting at age 13
- **Goal: Get a good education and do well in life**

Education

- **BSIE** from Illinois Institute of Technology
- **MBA** from St. Ambrose University
- **Ph.D.** in IE from The University of Iowa

Early Work Experience

- **Swim Instructor**
- **Summer Jobs**
 - **Playboy Distribution Center**
 - **Littell Machine**
 - **Continental Can**
- **Candle Maker**
- **John Deere: Co-op Student**

Industrial Work Experience After Graduation

- **John Deere Waterloo Component Works**
- **John Deere Administrative Center**
- **John Deere Technical Center**
- **John Deere Finance**
- **Columbus, Ohio**
- **Software Generation, Inc.**

College Teaching Work Experience

- **St. Ambrose University:**
 - Adjunct Professor
 - Full-time Professor
- **The University of Iowa**
 - Adjunct Professor
 - College of Engineering
 - College of Business
 - **Full-time Lecturer**

My Professional Interests

- **Manufacturing technologies**
 - **Process Evaluation and Selection (RCM)**
- **Computer technologies**
- **Teaching technologies**

- **Additional Information**
- **My website – Professional activities**

Living Situation

- **Chicago**
- **Quad Cities**
 - **Rock Island, Bettendorf, Davenport, and Moline**
- **Columbus, OH**
- **LeClaire, IA**
- **Bloomington, MN**

Activities and Interests

- **Tennis**
- **Skiing**
- **Travel**
- **Cooking**
- **Family**
- **Home improvement**