Doermer School of Business (DSB) is characterized by dedicated faculty and administrators, motivated and eager-to-learn students, and a vibrant and supporting business community. Our faculty members are continually being recognized with both teaching and research awards. Our faculty members are consistently updating their knowledge, winning awards for presentations at conferences, and publishing books, including two this year related to teaching economics and green supply chain management. We have a very diverse faculty population that allows our students to learn about international business practices from professors who have experienced it first-hand.

Dean Otto Chang states, “Business has to be global these days. A business graduate without global exposure and international perspective is doomed to fail miserably in today’s business environment. Compared to many business schools in our region and in this nation, DSB has the best capacity to help our students succeed in the global economy because of our talented and caring international faculty.”

With these qualities, it is no wonder that the Doermer School of Business is the only business school in northeast Indiana accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB). This organization periodically reviews the business programs of more than 1600 business schools in the United States and accredits approximately 30 percent of them. IPFW is proud to have earned this recognition, which is the same accreditation held by Indiana University and Purdue University. We were also recognized by U.S. News and World Report in 2012 as one of the best regional business programs in the country.

As a graduate of the Doermer School of Business, students earn a diploma from Indiana University. They have had many opportunities, both inside and outside the classroom, to gain the skills and knowledge needed to be a successful business leader. Chang explains, “DSB emphasized experiential-based learning in most of our courses. We challenge our students with real life business problems and ask them to derive innovative and practical solutions to those problems. Before they graduate from the school, students have plenty opportunities to serve as business consultants to local firms in marketing research, strategic positioning, and product innovation through our Curriculum Connection Initiative.” Many of the DSB students participate in an internship, externship, or a co-op.