

LEWIS P. SEGO
1935-2016
IN MEMORIAM

Lewis P. Segó joined the faculty at Indiana State in 1965 as an instructor in the Department of English. He completed the Ph.D. in English, Educational Psychology and Instructional Systems Technology from Indiana University in 1974 and attained the rank of associate professor in 1978. Upon his retirement from the Department of Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics in 2004, Dr. Segó was the longest-term faculty member of the College of Arts and Sciences.

Segó taught literature and writing courses in the Department of English. His love was supporting student learning and writing. In the 1980s he developed some of the earliest computer-assisted learning programs to develop students' English writing skills. He also served on several university-wide committees related to computer-assisted instruction.

In the Department of Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics, Segó developed and taught a course entitled 'Exploring Language' for non-majors who wanted to gain a deeper understanding of human communication. Segó spoke several languages and taught beginning Spanish, French and Chinese, as well as English as a Second Language for international students and a course in cognitive linguistics. In order to help initiate ISU's partnership with Liaoning Normal University in Dalian, Segó also taught a semester in China. Segó earned the respect of his peers for his teaching and favorable evaluations of his students.

Throughout his career, Segó's scholarly interests spanned across disciplines from creative writing and literature to cognitive linguistics, and he published and presented papers at conferences of diverse organizations such as the International Congress of Cognitive Linguistics. In 1997 he founded the Pedagogical Quarterly of Cognitive Linguistics as an on-line journal at ISU. Segó was also a member of the review board of the International Cognitive Linguistics Association for several years.

In his retirement, Segó and his wife, Kathleen, moved to Minnesota to be nearer to their children's families. He continued to write and present papers for a number of years. On his many travels, many involving bicycling, Segó developed the ability to converse in French, German, and Chinese. In addition to his love of language, Segó also played several musical instruments and sang in a barbershop quartet.

Sego is survived by his wife of 55 years, Kathleen S. Brown Sego, their five children and 12 grandchildren as well as his sister, Dianne Snyder, and a nephew.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Faculty Senate of Indiana State University express to his family its sincere sympathy and condolences, and that it further express its appreciation for the service, care, and dedication which he gave to his students, the Department of English, the Department of Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics, and the University.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this testimonial be placed in the minutes of the Faculty Senate and that a copy be transmitted to his family.

N. Ann Rider, Chairperson and Assoc. Professor of German
on behalf of the Department of English and Department of
Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics