Audrey Holm-Hansen received an AS in Electrical Technology from Champlain College in 1994 as a part-time student and full-time IBM employee, after having already received a BS in Physics from RPI and an MS in Computer Science from UVM. She started at Champlain by taking a few classes in order to become more valuable in her job, but enjoyed the learning experience so much that she continued on to complete her degree.

Two of her favorite professors then were George Bradford and Richard Harter because both were able to take difficult course material and not only keep it from being boring, but actually made it a lot of fun.

When Audrey's dad died a couple years after graduation, which coincidentally was when she hit the reflective age of 40, she realized his life's example had shown her the importance of life-long learning. Being impressed by the quality of a Champlain College education, she endowed a scholarship in his memory: the Werner F. Michaelis Memorial Scholarship Fund, providing assistance to non-traditional students with work experience. Audrey has been an avid supporter of Champlain ever since. Volunteering for the Alumni Council is another vibrant way Audrey has continued her support.

Before retiring from Vermont's Air National Guard last year, Audrey used their tuition discount benefit to once again study at Champlain College, this time in the Legal Studies Program. Audrey earned her Paralegal Certificate in 2011 and remained impressed by the quality of education here as she learned the law from practicing attorneys Jillian Kaplan, David Casier, Jim Fry and Kerin Stackpole. She is currently using this education by serving pro bono as condo board president and Planned Residential Development board treasurer.