Introduction for Speaking Engagements
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Cathy Bowen is a professor and extension specialist in the Department of Agricultural and Extension Education at Pennsylvania State University. Bowen’s work focuses on helping Pennsylvania residents address perennial consumer issues such as budgeting, using credit, recordkeeping, consumer rights and responsibilities and teaching kids about money. Bowen oversees a volunteer income tax assistance site (VITA) where law and accounting students serve as volunteers. She teaches a course Consumer and Financial Skills (AYFCE 270) that is ideal for students who want to learn how to make key decisions early in life that can secure their financial future. Bowen’s work has received national awards by professional organizations as well as been featured on NPR, National Public Radio and CNN’s Open House.


Bowen earned a bachelor's degree from North Carolina Agricultural and Technical (A&T) State University in Greensboro, North Carolina and completed her master’s and Ph.D. at The Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio.

Interesting Personal Information
• Native of and reared in North Carolina
• Has lived in: Virginia, Ohio, Mississippi, and Pennsylvania
• Guiding quote posted in office, “Treat everyone the way you wish to be treated.”