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Education

Masters Degree, Teaching and Teacher Education, Early Childhood Education, University of Arizona, May 2013.

BA, Elementary Education, American Primary Experience

University of Vermont, Burlington, VT

As a graduate of the APEX program, I was a student in a nationally recognized, two-year teacher preparation program focusing on constructivist education.

Chronology of Employment

Assistant Professor of Practice, College of Education, TTE.

August 2014 – present .50 FTE University of Arizona Tucson AZ

- Teach undergraduates, Foundations of Early Education, Social Studies Methods for a Multicultural Classroom
- Supervise student teachers.
- Serve on the Academic Programs Committee
- Site Coordinator at Ocotillo School.
- Serve on Equity and Social Justice Committee
- Serve on ECE professor search committee

Graduate Associate, College of Education, Great Expectations Grant

August 2012-present University of Arizona Tucson, AZ

- Recruit and support MA and PhD students to the ECE program
- Support BA students in the ECE program
- Create pathways for Pima College AA students to transfer to BA CREATE program at the U of A.
- Participate as an assistant coordinator in the First Things First, Great Expectations community of practice.

Principal of Lower School, Kindergarten – Fifth Grade.

July 2009 – June 2012 Green Fields Country Day School Tucson, AZ

- Guide and support faculty in the education of 92 students.
- Supervise and direct curriculum development.
- Maintain a high functioning relationship with students and families.
- Assure the emotional and physical safety of students and faculty.

- Review all student reports.
- Responsible for Lower School admissions.
- Responsible for Lower School budget.
- Review scholarship applications and make awards.
- Direct repair and maintenance of buildings and equipment.
- Manage Lower School supply budget.
- Lead weekly staff meetings
- Annually review all handbooks and policies
- Write for Green Fields publications
- Staff and manage an after-school enrichment program
- Attend weekly administrative meetings to collaborate with the Middle and Upper School.
- Hire and conduct annual evaluations of teachers and assistant teachers
- Represent Green Fields professionally in the community.
- Create and organize Lower School activities and events such as After School enrichment classes, Fifth grade graduation, Talent Show, Rodeo Days field trip, Open House, Back to School Night, and serve in a supportive role for *Spring into Reading* week.

Director Tucson Community School, Tucson, AZ
2000-2009

- Direct high quality parent co-operative preschool/kindergarten.
- Responsible for hiring, training, professional development, supervising and evaluating 10-13 staff members.
- Supervise and direct curriculum development.
- Responsible for sustained enrollment of 85-95 students.
- Review all children's mid-year and end of year report.
- Guide and counsel parents as necessary.
- Maintain DHS licensing and NAEYC accreditation.
- Assist in preparing annual budget.
- Responsible to parent board of directors and guide their fundraising efforts, budget control, and maintenance of physical plant.
- Write and edit monthly school newsletter.
- Coordinate placements for student teachers.
- Present at NAEYC and SAZAEYC annual conference

Specialized Education and training

FERPA certified, August 2013

CITI (Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative) Certified, Sept 2013.

CLASS training, ECE Classroom Assessment, certification December 2012.

Southern Arizona Writers' Project, fellow, June 2012.

Chase Emergent Leaders Program, A full year selective leadership program sponsored by the Governor's office specifically for Early Educators. 2006

S*ceeds Registered Trainer level V-C

Central Arizona College

Leadership of ECE Programs

Voss Folkhogskule, Voss, Norway

Culture and language immersion program including elementary classroom observations. 1977-1978.

Teaching Experience

Associate Professor of Practice

University of Arizona Tucson, AZ

Substitute Teacher

Tucson Community School Tucson, AZ

Kindergarten Assistant Teacher

Sunrise Elementary School Tucson, AZ

Preschool teacher

Adventure School Tucson, AZ

First/Second grade combined classroom student teacher.

Williston Central School Williston, VT

Research Experience

Social class, schooling, and the enactment of curriculum: A replication of Jean Anyon's (1980) classic study in the new social context of education

Research assistant: Dr. Luis Moll and Dr. Mary Carol Combs.

Preschool as an Entry Point for Immigrants: a case study of how a local preschool creates a zone of reception and networking opportunities for immigrant families; and how this process impacts students' success.

Group work in Preschool: this qualitative pilot research project observed existing systems for utilizing groups and their impact on higher order thinking skills.

Dean's committee on UA ECE Lab School: I helped design a plan for a UA Lab School that remains in the development stage.

Professional Presentations

International Presentations

November 2014 RECE Conference, Kent, OH, *De-CLASS-ified: A Genealogical Analysis of the CLASS Assessment Tool*

National Presentations

January 17, 2015, Imagine Possibilities for Early Childhood Teacher Education, *New Roles and Relationships in Preparing Early Educators*

NAEYC Conference, Chicago, IL.

Parents in your School: how to build a Community of Support

NAEYC Conference, Anaheim, CA.

Parents in the classroom: a community of Support

Regional Presentations

ECE Panelist, Phoenix AZ, FCCLA (Family Career and Community Leaders) Fall Conference, November 2015.

SAzAEYC, Tucson AZ, 2015 DAP for Adults.

ADE Leading for Change, Tucson AZ, Technology for Twos Who's Teaching the Children, with Kimberly Flack

United Way Tocqueville Society, Delivered speech describing United Way's impact on professional development in Early Education in Southern Arizona.

Southern Arizona AEYC Conference, Tucson, AZ

The Early Writer.

Emergent Leaders Project. *Early Explorations, A Science Day at Tucson Community School, Tucson, AZ.* Created and presented an experiential science day for Early Educators.

Southern Arizona AEYC Conference. *The Outdoor Classroom.*

Awards and Honors

Exceptional Master Leader

Exchange Leadership Initiative

Significant Conference Attendance

November 2015 NAEYC National Conference

Delegate to National Dialogue

June 2013 NAEYC Professional Development Institute, 3-day conference, San Francisco.

August 2012 First Things First Summit. 2 day conference
Patricia Kuln, Adele Diamond, and others

January 2012 Professional Development Institute - Building Leaders from the Start; A Systems Approach to Developing Young Minds.

- A conference and pre-conference evening with Ellen Galinsky

Volunteer Experience

Board Member 2001 - present

Southern Arizona Association for the Education of Young Children

- Vice President for Organizational Development
- Co-Chair Annual Awards Brunch
- Coordinator of EduFun, a professional development series
- Member of Annual Conference Committee with attendance of 700+

President and Past-President 2008-2010

Southern Arizona Association for the Education of Young Children

- Presided at monthly board meetings
- Represented SAzAEYC at the state and national level.

Vice President Volunteer Opportunities 2001-2006

Southern Arizona Association for the Education of Young Children

- Announce volunteer opportunities.
- Secure volunteers for SAzAEYC events.

Board of Trustees Member

2002-2006

Green Fields Country Day School

- Served on Long Range Planning Committee.

Choir Member, Catalina United Methodist Choir 1990 - Present

- Attend weekly rehearsals.
- Sing weekly on Sunday morning.
- Carnegie Hall Concert, May 2007

Catalina Foothills High School Accountability Committee 2002-2006

- Attend monthly meetings.
- Reviewed activities and educational process at this high school.

Board Member, Young Audiences of Southern AZ 1990-1998

- Selected and guided teaching preparation of performing artists for school performance.
- Fundraised to support these performances.
- Coordinated public performances.
- Assisted with Step Into the Arts (a children's arts festival).
- Served as Board President for two years.

Member, Foster Care Review Board

1984 -1989

- Reviewed assigned foster care cases.
- Made recommendations to interested parties and the Court in the best interest of the foster children.