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### Education

- 2016 Doctorate in Education, Marshall University, Huntington, WV  
Curriculum & Instruction with an emphasis in Early Childhood Education.
- 2013 Education Specialist, Marshall University, Huntington, WV  
Curriculum & Instruction with an emphasis in Early Childhood Education.
- 1992 Instructor Academy for Apprenticeship for Child Development Specialist, Marshall University, Huntington WV
- 1984 Masters of Education, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA  
Curriculum and Instruction  
Concentration in Elementary/ Early Childhood Education.
- 1977 B.A. Degree in Early Childhood Education  
Hood College, Frederick, MD

### Experience

- Fall 2014 - present Assistant Professor, Marshall University, Huntington, WV
  - Teach undergraduate classes in early childhood education.
  - ECE 101 Wellbeing
  - ECE 322 Language and Literacy
  - ECE 323 Early Childhood Assessment
  - ECE 324 Science Math and Technology
  - ECE 325 Play and Creativity
  - ECE 102 Early Childhood Programs
  - ECE 204 Parenting
  - ECE 215 Family Relationships
  - ECE 420 Infant Toddler Relationships and Environment

- 1995 - 2014  
Education Specialist, Southwestern Community Action Council, Inc.,  
Huntington, WV  
Supervise education staff at designated Head Start sites. Consists of daily mentoring and coaching  
Assist teachers in implementing curriculum and individualization.  
Formulate policies and plans to support Head Start Performance Standards.  
Work collaboratively with staff and community to ensure quality early childhood programming.
- Fall 2009 -  
Spring 2013  
Adjunct Instructor, Mountwest Community and Technical College,  
Huntington, WV  
Instruct students pursuing an AA in early childhood  
EDUC 101- Healthy Environments for Young Children  
EDUC 204- Parenting  
EDUC 215-Child, Family, & Community
- Fall 2010  
Adjunct Instructor, Marshall University, Williamson, campus, Williamson, WV  
Instruct students pursuing a BA in early childhood.  
ECE 204 Parenting
- 1994 - 1995  
Social Service/Parent Involvement Coordinator, Southwestern Community  
Action Council, Inc., Huntington, WV  
Supervised Family Service Specialists who provided social service support to families in assigned communities.  
Facilitated family involvement in selected public schools in Cabell and Wayne counties.  
Worked collaboratively with staff and community to ensure quality programming.
- 1993 - 1994  
Director, St. Joseph's Nazareth Home Day Care Center, Huntington, WV  
Supervised teachers, aides, and substitutes  
Developed and assisted in implementing developmentally appropriate curriculum.  
Responsible for budgeting, collecting fees, and daily bookkeeping.  
Coordinated parent activities.
- 1992 - 1996  
Instructor for Apprenticeship for Child Development Specialist, Cabell, Wayne,  
and Lincoln Counties, WV  
Instruct apprenticeship students in child development, early childhood curriculum, behavior management, management techniques, parent communication, diversity, and professional development ethics.
- 1986 - 1992  
Lead Teacher, Early Learning Child Development Center, Huntington, WV  
Lead Teacher in pre-kindergarten classroom  
Supervised aides, cooks and volunteers  
Administrative duties as assigned  
Edit center newsletter
- 1985 - 1986  
Education Coordinator for Parents in Education Project, Monticello Area  
Community Action Agency, Charlottesville, VA  
Facilitated home/school relations with parents by providing support and encouragement to assist them to be involved in their child's education.  
Collaborated with the Charlottesville City School personnel to increase parent involvement.  
Coordinated contacts with family service agencies

- 1983 - 1985 Parent Involvement Coordinator, Head Start, Monticello Area Community Action Agency, Charlottesville, VA  
 Coordinated parent activities at seven Head Start centers.  
 Developed and conducted parent trainings on child development, job skills, and parenting.  
 Coordinated volunteer program  
 Served in an advisory capacity to the Policy Council
- 1980 - 1983 Teacher, Westminster Child Care Center, Charlottesville, VA  
 Plan and implement a developmentally appropriate curriculum for four year olds.  
 Staff representative to the Westminster Child Care Center Board of Directors

## Related Activities

- May 2016 - present Member of the West Virginia Early Childhood Advisory Council  
 This committee is responsible for revising Training and Technical Assistance Competencies for West Virginia Early Childhood Educators
- June 2016 EarlyEDU Meeting, West Virginia Team, Seattle, WA
- May 2015 EarlyEDU Meeting, West Virginia Team, New York, NY
- June 2016 Attended NAEYC Professional Development Institute, Baltimore, MD
- June 2015 Attended North American Reggio Emilia Alliance, Pittsburgh, PA
- April 2014 Presented workshop at the Huntington Area Early Childhood Conference: "ABC's of Observation and Assessment"
- December 2015, December 2014, December 2013 Completed CLASS training with reliability rating
- 2012 - present Member of the West Virginia Professional Development and Early Learning Standards Committee.  
 This committee is responsible for revising the Core Competencies for West Virginia Early Childhood Educators.
- June 2012 Attended the 11th Head Start Research Conference, Washington, DC
- April 2012 Presented workshop at the Huntington Area Early Childhood Conference: "Watch, Listen, & Learn". An overview of observation and assessment.
- October 2011 Submitted for publication "'mind AND heart" Caring Learning Communities Bridge the Testing Divide" to Journal of Educational Change.
- April 4, 2011 River Valley Child Development Services Providers Training: Observation and Reflection: The Key to Responsive Teaching with Dawn LeGrow.
- March 13, 2011 Appalachian Studies Association Conference  
 Presented a summary of research: Creating a Caring Learning Community in an Appalachian School, Richmond, KY with: Dr. Linda Spatig, Cheryl Jeffers, Ashley Stephens.
- March 4, 2011 Marshall University Early Childhood Outreach Program: Inquiry Approach for Parents, Parkersburg, WV, with Dr. Janet Dozier.

February 15, 2011	Association of Teacher Educators: An Approach to the Classroom that Models Compassionate Accountability, Orlando, FL with: Dr. Calvin Meyer, Cheryl Jeffers, Georgia Porter.
April 2010	Presented workshop at Huntington Early Childhood Conference, Huntington, WV — “Fostering Friendships”
Spring 2010	Published “Fostering Friendships” in West Virginia Early Childhood Quarterly
April 2008	Completed CLASS training with reliability rating, Charleston, WV
September 2007	Attended “Supervision for Education Managers”, Charleston, SC
April 2007	Presented workshop at Huntington Early Childhood Conference, Huntington, WV — “I am Moving, I am Learning”
June 2006	Attended Teaching Strategies Summer Institute, Las Vegas, NV Guiding, Evaluating, and Sustaining Curriculum Implementation Literacy: The Creative Curriculum Approach
December 2004	Attended Region III Head Start Training “I am Moving, I am Learning” Charleston, WV
October 2004	Presented at the West Virginia Head Start Association Meeting: “Linking the Creative Curriculum’ Developmental Continuum to Child Outcomes, Charleston, WV
October 2004	Presented workshop “Curriculum and Ongoing Assessment”, Lincoln County Pre-k staff, Hamlin, WV

## Memberships and Affiliations

Member, National Association for the Education of Young Children

Member, Southern Early Childhood Association

West Virginia Association for Young Children

Member of local ACDS council, Cabell/Wayne County

West Virginia STARS Trainer

Member of West Virginia STARS Advisory Committee