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EDUCATION:

- 2005 North Carolina A & T State University
Degree: **Master of Art**
English
- 2000 South Carolina State University
Degree: **Doctor of Education**
Administration
- 1997 South Carolina State University
Degree: **Education Specialist**
Administration
- 1989 University of North Carolina at Greensboro
Degree: **Master of Art**
Reading K-12
- 1986 High Point University
Degree: **Bachelor of Art**
Elementary Education

CERTIFICATIONS:

Superintendent
Principal (Grades K-12)
Reading Specialist (Grades K-12)
Curriculum Specialist
Elementary Education
English Supervisor

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES:

- 08/06-present Assistant Professor and Reading Coordinator, Winston-Salem State University, Winston-Salem, NC
- 05/03-08/06 Assistant Professor, Winston-Salem State University, Winston-Salem, NC
- 10/00-05/03 Instructor, Winston-Salem State University, Winston-Salem NC
- 8/96-10/00 Assistant Principal, Davidson County School System, Lexington, NC
- 8/94-6/96 Elementary Teacher, Davidson County School System, Lexington, NC
- 6/95-8/95 Coordinator for Star Academy, Davidson County School System, Lexington, NC
- 8/92-6/94 Reading Teacher (K-12), Davidson County School System, Lexington, NC
- 8/90-6/92 Chapter 1 Teacher, Davidson County School System, Lexington, NC
- 8/88-6/90 Reading Teacher, Winston-Salem Forsyth County School System, Winston-Salem, NC
- 8/86-3/87 Elementary Teacher, Lexington School System, Lexington, NC
- 1/84-6/85 Teacher's Assistant, High Point City Schools, High Point, NC

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:

College Language Association
National Council of Teachers of English
North Carolina English Teachers Association
Phi Delta Kappa
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority
International Reading Association
North Carolina Reading Association
The Assembly on Literature for Adolescents of NCTE
Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development

PROFESSIONAL COURSES TAUGHT:

Methods of Teaching English
English Student Teacher Supervisor
World Literature 1
Black Writers
Composition 1 and 2
Children's Literature
Adolescent Literature
Reading Diagnostics and Corrections

UNIVERSITY AND DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE:

BEAMS Committee
Departmental Curriculum Committee
Lyceum Committee
Faculty Senate Committee
Faculty Assembly Delegate
Planning, Program & Administration
E-Learning Task Force
WSSU Search Committee for Dean of the School of Education
WSSU Search Committee for English Faculty
Chaired WSSU Search Committee for English Faculty

ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

Co Presenter North Carolina English Teacher's Association
October 2005
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October 2004
Chaired sessions during the College Language Association
Convention 2001-2007
Presenter for Women's Assembly Agenda
Past member of School Improvement Team
Past member of SMART Team
Past member of Minority Task Force
Past recruiter for Davidson County Schools
Secretary for SCSU Alumni
Teacher Advisory Board
College Forum Committee
Coordinator for Teacher Education
Assistant Supervisor for English Major Student Teachers
Supervisor for English Major Student Teachers
Member of committee for elementary SACS reaccreditation self-study
Past member of Davidson County Principal/Assistant Principal Association
Reviewer for an education program November 2005
Reviewer for an education program November 2007

Member of committee for university NCATE reaccreditation self-study committee 2000-2001

North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, 2003

Trained as a N.C. state reviewer for education program approval

Trained as a Supplemental Instruction Leader

Member of committee for university NCATE reaccreditation self-study committee 2005-2006

Participated in an educational tour to Kenya, Africa 2006

VOLUNTEER SERVICE:

Participated in a Read-in-Chain community activity

Served as a community leader fundraiser for The Polio and Meningitis Society

Served as a community leader fundraiser for the American Heart Association

Served as a community fundraiser leader for the Leukemia and Lymph Society

Read to an elementary class at Konnoak Elementary School

Served as a discussion leader at the Forsyth Public Library for On the Same Poem 2003-2007

Served as a judge for a community/church competition