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Academic Background

Ed.D.

1991

University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Philosophy of Education, minor in Rhetoric & Composition

Teaching Associate

1988-90

UMass, Amherst

College Teaching Consultant

B.A. (Summa Cum Laude, Valedictorian)

1982

UMass, Amherst

Individual Concentration: Philosophy of Education

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1972-3

Hampshire College

Philosophy

Courses Taught

EDP 610 PhD Core I: Philosophy and History of Education

EDP 699 Dissertation Supervision

FNED 346 Schooling in a Democratic Society

FNED 502 Current Issues in Education

FNED 541 Comparative Philosophies of Education

FNED 546 Contexts of Schooling

Research Interests

Critical Theory and Pedagogy

Eastern and Western Conceptions of Enlightenment

Existentialism, Hermeneutics, Poststructuralism, and Praxis

Modernism/Postmodernism

Moral and Spiritual Education

Pragmatism and Progressive Education

Current Research

“Postmodern Skepticism, Transformative Education, and the Ideal of Human Unity”

Publications

"Teaching as a Moral Enterprise." *Encounter: Education for Meaning and Social Justice*. Summer 2001.

"Piaget's Transactionalism." *Journal of Advanced Composition*. Winter 1994.

"Belief as a Condition of Knowledge: The Need for a Philosophical Perspective in Higher Education Reform." *Philosophy of Education 1990: Proceedings of the Forty-Sixth Annual Meeting of the Philosophy of Education Society*. David P. Ericson, ed. Normal, IL: Philosophy of Education Society, 1991.

"Critical Thinking as Transfer: The Reconstructive Integration of Otherwise Discrete Interpretations of Experience." *Educational Theory*, Winter 1990.

"Justice and Caring and the Problem of Moral Relativism: Reframing the Gender Question in Ethics." *Journal of Moral Education*, May 1989.

Policy Documents

Author: *Developing Reflective Practitioners: A Conceptual Framework*. Feinstein School of Education and Human Development, Rhode Island College. 1999.

Primary Co-Author: *Literacy for ALL Students: The Rhode Island English Language Arts Framework*. Rhode Island Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. 1996.

Primary Co-Author: *Developing a Common Core of Learning: A Report on What We Heard*. Rhode Island Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. 1994.

Co-Author: *Handbook for Teaching Assistants*. Center for Teaching. University of Massachusetts, Amherst. 1989.

Awards

Rhode Island Educator of the Year. Kappa Delta Pi, Education Honor Society. Rhode Island College Chapter. 2010.

Mary Tucker Thorp Professorship Award for Distinguished Teaching. Feinstein School of Education and Human Development & School of Social Work. Rhode Island College. 1999.

Faculty Appreciation Award. Kappa Delta Pi, Education Honor Society. Rhode Island College Chapter. 1996.

Professional Organizations

Philosophy of Education Society