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#### Education

B.S., Deaf Education, 1997, Stephen F. Austin State University, Nacogdoches, TX M.S., Child Development, 2004, Texas Woman's University, Denton, TX Ph.D., Child Development, May 2012, Texas Woman's University, Denton, TX

#### **Certifications/Licenses**

Texas Teaching Certificate- 1997-Deaf Education-Lifetime BEI Interpreter License Level 1 PD Specialist for the Council for Professional Recognition

#### **Teaching Experience**

CDEC1313 Curriculum Resources CDEC1317 Child Development Associate Training I CDEC1319 Child Guidance CDEC1321 The Infant and Toddler CDEC1356 Emergent Literacy CDEC1358 Creative Arts for Early Childhood CDEC1343 Independent Study in Child Development CDEC2307 Math & Science in Early Childhood CDEC2315 Diverse/Multicultural Education in Early Childhood CDEC2322 Child Development Associate Training II CDEC2324 Child Development Associate Training III CDEC2326 Administration of Programs for Children I CDEC2328 Administration of Programs for Children II CDEC2336 Administration of Programs for Children III CDEC2341 The School Age Child CDEC2380 Cooperative Education Child-Care Provider Assistant EDUC1300 Learning Frameworks EDUC1301 Introduction to the Teaching Profession EDUC2301 Introduction to Special Populations TECA1303 Families, School, and Community TECA1311 Educating Young Children TECA1318 Wellness of the Young Child TECA1354 Child Growth and Development

# Southeastern Oklahoma State University

SPED 2123: Introduction to Individuals with Exceptionalities

#### Texas Woman's University:

FS3563 Creative Arts and Literature for Children FS4503 Program Planning in Early Childhood FS4703 Methods of Teaching Family and Consumer Science FS5223 Child Growth and Human Development

# **Professional Experience**

I began my teaching career at Dallas Independent School District in their Regional Day School Program for the Deaf. I worked as a preschool deaf education teacher for 8 years in an inclusion classroom of children ages 2-5 using a looping model and the High Scope curriculum. I was also a parent advisor for one year, and I taught staff and parent sign language classes. I substitute taught for several years for Plano ISD in all grades in all subjects.

I have been working in higher education since Fall 2008. I began as an Education and Child Development Adjunct Professor at Collin College. I participated in their NAEYC accreditation process. I was also a graduate teaching assistant at Texas Woman's University. I was teacher on record for a senior level course and an assistant on a senior level teaching methods course. In addition, I also taught as an education adjunct faculty member for Southeastern Oklahoma State University for one semester.

I am currently a full-time professor at Grayson College. I teach education and child development courses: face-to-face, hybrid and online. Our child development program is 100% online. Moreover, I am the child development program director. I am responsible for curriculum planning, programming, scheduling, advising and coordination of our advisory board. I spearheaded our NAEYC accreditation, and now I oversee and manage our NAEYC accreditation for our child development program which includes writing annual reports and collecting and analyzing data.

I collaborate with Workforce Solutions Texoma on a local match agreement and child development scholarship. I am the Grayson College contact person and oversee all

aspects of the scholarship from admission to advising to graduation. I also collaborate with Region X's Early Head Start and Head Start programs to provide the educational component of their CDA credential to their instructional assistants.

I am also the Texas Rising Star mentor for Workforce Solutions Texoma. I provide evening and weekend trainings on a variety of TRS topics as well as work in the classrooms mentoring and modeling best practices for early childhood educators.

I have reviewed an article for the Journal of Online Learning and Teaching. I have also reviewed textbooks in the field of child development.

My dissertation examined instructors' and students' perspectives in online child development courses through second culture acquisition lenses, cognitive load theory and child development. My dissertation was mixed methods, and I feel confident in both qualitative and quantitative research methods.

# Committees

- Faculty Association President 2018-2019
- Grayson College Institutional Review Board-member
- Grayson College Instructional Services Assessment Committee-member
- Grayson College Student Support Success Advisory Board-member
- Grayson College Faculty Association President
- Region X Head Start Education Advisory Board-Chair

# **Research Interests**

I have broad interests in child development, particularly language and literacy development and its interplay with cognitive development. Specifically I am interested in the role of American Sign Language to foster these developments.

I also have broad interest in online education, particularly effective online teaching strategies. For instance, I am interested in the use of applying child development strategies and principles to foster learning in the online classroom.

Other interests that have developed over the course of my teaching career include improving the educational level of early childhood professionals and increasing quality of care and instruction in childcare settings. The qualitative lens and research of the EC professionals' experiences and motivation will help develop more effective programs of study as well as examine what instructional models are working to promote best practices for the professional.

# **Current Research**

Quong, J., Snider, S., Early, J. (2018) Reducing Transactional Distance in online and blended courses through the use of a closed social media platform., DOP Journal of Educational Technology Systems. DOI: 10.1177/0047239518766654

The second article is based on my dissertation and the viewing online education through the lens of second language acquisition and how strategies of second language acquisition can help support the new online learner.

# Association Memberships

- National Association for the Education of Young Children
- Texas Community College Teacher Association

# **Professional Presentations**

2014-2019	Texas Rising Star Mentor Trainings
April 2016	Workforce Solutions Texoma: Super Saturday
	Lesson Planning: Planning for Classroom Success
August 2014	NETnet 2014 Summer Distance Learning Conference
	"Student Presence form Couch Potato to Fitness Freak"
	in Nacogdoches, TX
April 2014	Workforce Solutions Texoma: Super Saturday
	Developmentally Appropriate Practices-Those Words We Keep
	Using Them-What Do They Mean?
	Being a Child Care Provider: It's All About You
April 2013	Workforce Solutions Texoma: Super Saturday
	Technology in the Early Childhood Classroom;
	School-agers: Who they are and How to Design Supportive Play;
	Growing Your Child Care Center through Teacher Education
	in Denison, Texas
Aug 2012	Keynote Speaker @ TWU's Fall Seminar Day
July 2012	NETnet 2012 Summer Distance Learning Conference
	"Geek to Great: Successful Teacher Presence"
	in Kilgore, TX
April 2012	TWU Graduate Research Symposium
	Perspectives and Experiences in Online Child Development
	Courses: Mixed Methods in Denton, Texas
April 2012	Workforce Solutions Texoma: Super Saturday
	"Lassoing Assessment: The How-To to Informal
	Assessment"
	"Literacy Round Up! It's Not just for the Reading Center
	Anymore!" in Sherman, TX
March 2012	Society for Information Technology and Teacher Education
	"To Ning or Not to Ning: The Benefits of Social Networking in
	Teacher Education programs" in Austin, TX
November 2010	National Association for the Education of Young Children: Cognitive

	Load Theory
September 2010	Texas Association for the Education of Young Children: Authentic Assessments Austin Texas
August 2010	Child Development Continuing Education Series: Language Development in the Early Childhood Classrooms. Denison,
	Texas
October 2007	Texas Association for the Education of Young Children: " <i>Learning</i> to Speak My Thoughts: A Case Study of a 3-year-old girl" in Fort Worth, Texas
December 2006 July 2006	Velma Schmidt Conference: " <i>Literacy in a Bag</i> " in Denton, Texas Statewide Conference For the Education of the Deaf: " <i>Two Heads</i> <i>are Better than One: Collaborative Therapy in a Preschool</i> <i>Setting</i> " in Austin, Texas
November 2004	Phonak Pediatric Conference: "Implementing and Managing Digital FM Amplification in Educational Programs" in Chicago, Illinois
October 2003	Texas Association for the Education of Young Children: " <i>Boxes of Fun</i> " in Corpus Christi, Texas
July 2002 State	ewide Conference for the Education of the Deaf: <i>"Monkeys are Crazy:</i> Language Games and Fingerplays" in Corpus Christi, Texas

# Languages English

# **Professional Development**

2018 NAEYC Professional Development Institute 2017 NAEYC Professional Development Institute 2016 TAEYC 2014 NAEYC 2012, 2015 NETnet Conferences 2010-2016 Grayson College Professional Development Days 2006-2012 Doctoral work at Texas Woman's University Summer 2010, 2014 Signing Exact English Skills Workshop Nov 2008-National Association for the Education of Young Children Summer 2009 Signing Exact English Skills Workshop Oct 2007-Texas Association for the Education of Young Children July 2006-Statewide Conference for the Education of the Deaf 2007-2008 High Scope Trainings through Dallas ISD/Callier Center Staff Development 2005- SKI-HI Parent-Infant Training