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EDUCATION

Ph.D. (Special Education), 2003, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

M.Ed. (Early Childhood/Special Education), 1999, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

B.A. (English Language and Literature), 1988, Huazhong University of Science and Technology

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS AND OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

Professor, Graduate Faculty, School of Education, Virginia Commonwealth University, 7, 2016 - Present

Director, Asian American Educational Studies Center, School of Education, Virginia Commonwealth University, August, 2019 – Present

Associate Professor, Graduate Faculty, School of Education, Virginia Commonwealth University, 7, 2009 – 6, 2016

Assistant Professor, Graduate Faculty, School of Education, Virginia Commonwealth University, 8, 2006 – 6, 2009

Assistant Professor, Graduate Faculty, School of Education, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 8, 2004 – 7, 2006

Visiting Assistant Professor, College of Education, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, 5, 2003 – 7, 2004

Graduate Assistant, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, 1, 1999 – 5, 2003

Adjunct Faculty, College of Education, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, 9, 2000 – 8, 2002

Co-Teacher, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, 9, 2001 – 1, 2002

Guest Speaker, Community College of Southern Nevada & University of Nevada, Las Vegas, 5, 1999 – 8, 2002

Teacher, Child Development Center, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, 5, 1998 -8, 2002

Cultural Representative, Walt Disney World, Orlando, Florida, 12, 1995 – 8, 1996

Associate Director, Foreign Affairs Office, Guilin Medical College, 5, 1994 – 12, 1995

Lecturer and Assistant Professor, College English Department, Guilin Medical College, 8, 1990 – 12, 1995

AREAS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

- Culturally and linguistically appropriate assessment and intervention;
- Family involvement in early intervention/early childhood special education for young children with disabilities or high risk for developmental delays and children from culturally and/or linguistically diverse backgrounds;
- Social interactions of students with limited English proficiency and children with diverse backgrounds;
- Adult-facilitated peer tutoring and adapted peer tutoring for teaching students/children with special needs and students/children with diverse cultural/linguistic backgrounds;
- Teacher preparation for teaching children with disabilities, children in poverty, and children with diverse cultural/linguistic backgrounds

SCHOLARSHIP

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- Chen, C., & Xu, Y. (October, 2019). *Investigating factors and intervention strategy development associated with learning of academically diverse students*. Paper presented at JU-VCU Joint Conference, Wuxi, China.
- Zhang, F., Xu, Y., Chen, C., & Washington, M. (October, 2019). *A systematic review of the influence of peer interaction on preschool English learners' language and literacy development*. Paper presented at JU-VCU Joint Conference, Wuxi, China.
- Xu, Y., Scott, L., & Wright, J. (April, 2019). *Effects of class-wide cultural heritage exploration on pre-service teachers' intercultural sensitivity*. Paper presented at the 2019 Annual Conference of the American Educational Research Association (AERA), Toronto, Canada.
- Xu, Y., & Liu, L. (April, 2019). *Investigating the contextual validity in young children's vocabulary assessment*. Paper presented the 2019 Annual Conference of the Chinese American Educational Research and Development Association (CAERDA), Toronto, Canada.
- Xu, Y., De Arment, S., Coleman, H. M., & Huennekens, M. E. (October, 2018). *Promoting young English learners' language skills through teacher-facilitated peer tutoring*. Paper presented at the 2018 Annual Conference of Division for Early Childhood (DEC) of the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC), Orlando, FL.
- De Arment, S., Xu, Y., & Coleman, H. (October, 2018). *Interdisciplinary EI/ECSE and related services preparation for serving children with high-intensity needs*. Paper presented at the 2018 Annual Conference of Division for Early Childhood (DEC) of the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC), Orlando, FL.
- Xu, Y., De Arment, S., & Coleman, H. M. (July, 2018). *Interdisciplinary and intensive intervention personnel preparation*. Paper presented at the 2016 Project Officer's Meeting, the U.S. Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP), Washington, D.C.
- Xu, Y., Scott, L., & wright, J. (April, 2018). *Using cultural heritage exploration to prepare special educators for multicultural educational settings*. Paper presented at the 2018 Annual Conference of the American Educational Research Association

(AERA), New York City, NY.

Coleman, H., & Xu, Y. (April, 2018). *Investigating the relationship between syllabi components and program goals in EI/ECSE personnel preparation*. Paper presented at the 2018 Annual Conference of the American Educational Research Association (AERA), New York City, NY.

Xu, Y. (March, 2018). *Social and cultural implications in assessing children from high-need communities*. Paper presented at the 2018 Conference on Research Innovations in Early Intervention (CRIEI), San Diego, CA.

Xu, Y., Coleman, H., & De Arment, S. (October, 2017). *Empowering culturally diverse families to identify concerns, priorities, and resources for intervention*. Paper presented at the 2017 Annual Conference of Division for Early Childhood (DEC) of the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC), Portland, OR.

Xu, Y. (April, 2017). *Investigating the effects of cultural heritage exploration on teacher candidates' intercultural competence*. Paper presented at the 2017 Annual Conference of the American Educational Research Association (AERA), San Antonio, TX.

Xu, Y. (April, 2017). *Using convergent assessments for effective and meaningful intervention*. Paper presented at the 2017 Annual Conference of the Council for Exceptional Children, Boston, MA.

Xu, Y. (June, 2017). *The power of families and the success of children*. Paper presented at the 3rd Annual Evelyn Reed Symposium on Early Childhood Research and Practice. Richmond, VA 23284.

Xu, Y., Coleman, H., De Arment, S., Onorato, P., & McWhorter, G. (July, 2017). *Collaborating with culturally diverse families in assessment and instruction*. Paper presented at the 2017 Creating Connections to Shining Stars (CCSS) Conference, Roanoke, VA.

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Heather, C., & Xu, Y. (April, 2017). *Systematic syllabi review for an early*

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Xu, Y. (February, 2016). *Investigating the effects of a summer program on early literacy skills of children at-risk for developmental delays.* Paper presented at the 2016 Conference on Research Innovations in Early Intervention (CRIEI), San Diego, CA.

Xu, Y., De Arment, S., & Huennekens, M.E. (October, 2016). *Linking assessment to instruction through convergent assessment approach.* Paper presented at the 2016 Annual Conference of Division for Early Childhood (DEC) of the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC), Louisville, KY.

Huennekens, M. E., & Xu, Y. (October, 2016). *Trauma informed care: Implications for EI/ECSE providers.* Paper presented at the 2016 Annual Conference of Division for Early Childhood (DEC) of the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC), Louisville, KY.

Xu, Y., & De Arment, S. (August, 2016). *Formative assessment for personnel preparation.* Paper presented at the 2016 Project Officer's Meeting, the U.S. Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP), Washington, D.C.

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Xu, Y., Coleman, H., Goodwin, T., & You, L. (April, 2016). *Preparing culturally responsive early intervention and early childhood special education professionals.* Paper presented at the at the 2016 Annual Conference of the American Educational Research Association (AERA), Washington, D.C.

Xu, Y., De Arment, S., & Huennekens, M.E. (April, 2016). *Enhancing the community-based practice of a teacher education program to serve children from high-need communities.* Paper presented at the at the 2016 Annual Conference of the American Educational Research Association (AERA), Washington, D.C.

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Huennekens, M. E., Xu, Y., & De Arment, S. (April, 2016). *Increasing the effectiveness of an EI/ECSE program to build pre-service teachers' capacity for community-based practice*. Paper presented at the 2016 Annual Conference of the Chinese American Educational Research and Development Association (CAERDA), Washington, D.C.

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Huennekens, M.E., & Xu., Y. (March, 2012). *Enhancing English language skills among young ELLs through shared storybook reading*. Paper presented at Virginia Association for Early Childhood (VAECE), Hampton, VA.

Hooper, B., Reed, E., Ivey, C., & Xu, Y. (November 19, 2011). *Transforming teacher preparation using practitioner perceptions: redefining the work of the ECSE teacher*. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of Division for Early Childhood (DEC), National Harbor, MD.

Xu, Y., & Huennekens, M. E. (October 28, 2011). *Social, cultural, and political influence in preparing young children for schools in China: Contradictions and balance*. Paper presented at the 19th Reconceptualizing Early Childhood Education Conference, University of East London, London, UK.

Xu, Y., Dell, K., & Fritton, S. (April 28, 2011). *Preparing highly qualified special education teachers: An integrated model*. Paper to be presented at the 2011 Annual Conference of the Council for Exceptional Children, National Harbor, MD.

Xu, Y., Hooper, H., Huennekens, M. E., & Pang, Y. (April 27, 2011). *DEC recommended strategies for assessing young children with disabilities in inclusive programs*. Paper to be presented at the 2011 Annual Conference of the Council for Exceptional Children, National Harbor, MD.

Xu, Y., Hutchinson, C., Reed, E., & Chin, C. (April 9, 2011). *Effects of explicit literacy instruction on early language skills of preschoolers from low income families*. Paper presented at the 2011 Annual Conference of the American Educational Research Association, New Orleans, LA.

Xu, Y., Vo, A., Hooper, B., & Harvey, J. (July 2010). *Assessing children in inclusive early childhood programs: DEC recommended practices*. Shining Start Early Childhood Conference, Virginia Beach, VA.

Xu., Y., Huennekens, M. E., O'Brien, E., & Lee, K. (July 14, 2010). *Assessing English language learners within culturally/linguistically responsive contexts: An alternative approach*. Paper presented for "Embracing Inclusive Approaches for Children and Youth with Special Education Needs" Conference, Riga, Latvia.

Xu, Y., Chin, C., Reed, E., & Hutchinson, C. (May 3, 2010). *Formative and summative evaluation of an Early Reading First project in promoting preschoolers' school readiness*. Paper presented for 2010 American Educational Research Association (AERA) Annual Conference, Denver, CO.

Kuznetsova, M., Molzhon, A., Xu, Y., & Chin, C. (April 10, 2010). *Examining the*

relationship between preschoolers' language ability and social skills. Poster presented at the 2010 Conference on Human Development, NY.

- Xu, Y., Reed, E., Ivey, C., & Kuti, L. (October 17, 2009). *Teaching young English language learners within framework of universal design for learning.* Paper accepted for 2009 Annual DEC Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and Their families, Albuquerque, NM.
- Xu, Y. (April, 2009). *The effects of empowering primary caregivers on the social and development outcomes of infants with low birth weight.* Paper presented at 2009 American Educational Research Association (AERA) Annual Conference. San Diego, CA.
- Xu, Y. (April, 2009). *Using Tablet PC to provide effective feedback for online/hybrid graduate courses.* Paper presented at 2009 American Educational Research Association (AERA) Annual Conference. San Diego, CA.
- Xu, Y., O'Brien, E., Lee, K., & Gelfer, J. (April, 2009). *A descriptive analysis of evaluation methods for assessing preschool-age English language learners.* Paper presented at 2009 Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) Annual Conference. Seattle, WA.
- Xu, Y., Reed-Victor, E., Gelfer, J. (March, 2009). *The effects of empowering primary caregivers in assessment on parent-child interaction and children's development outcomes.* Paper presented at 2009 Association for Childhood Education International (ACEI) Annual Conference. Chicago, IL.
- Xu, Y., Garner, D., & O'Brien, E. (December, 2008). *Positive behavior supports during transition for children and youth with severe disabilities.* Paper presented at 2008 TASH Annual conference, Nashville, TN.
- Xu, Y., & Hyatt, K. (December, 2008). *Inclusive early intervention: Using the Double ABCX model to develop IFSP outcomes.* Paper presented at 2008 TASH Annual conference, Nashville, TN.
- Rhodes, J., Xu, Y., & Cho, S. (December, 2008). *The impact of a Response to Intervention model on the prediction and comprehension ability of English language learners and native English speaking remedial readers.* Paper presented at the National Reading Conference, Orlando, FL.
- Xu, Y., & O'Brien, E. (September, 2008). *Needs and challenges for assessing preschool-age English language learners.* Paper presented for 2008 Virginia Educational Research Association (VERA) Annual conference, Charlottesville, VA.
- Lee, K., & Xu, Y. (April 4, 2008). *How cognitive learning helps students with English as*

the second language. Poster presentation at 2008 Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) Annual conference, Boston, Massachusetts.

Xu, Y., & Chin, C. (March 24, 2008). Examining the impact of learning contexts on reading development of children with different linguistic backgrounds. Paper presentation at 2008 American Educational Research Association (AERA) Annual conference, New York City, NY.

Reed-Victor, E., & Xu, Y. (November 9, 2007). *Community scholars: Key partners in recruitment, retention, and induction in personnel preparation*. Teacher Education Division (TED) 2007 Annual Conference, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Xu, Y., & Chin, C. (September 14, 2007). *Challenges in the assessment of child outcomes within private preschool programs*. Paper presented at the 2007 Virginia Educational Research Association (VERA) Conference, Charlottesville, Virginia.

Xu, Y., Hooper, B., Reed-Victor, E., & Conroy, M. (July 12, 2007). *Adaptations and accommodations for young children with significant disabilities*. Paper presented at Shining Stars: 2007 Early Childhood Conference, Virginia Beach, VA.

Xu, Y., Filler, J., & Hyatt, K. (May 4, 2007). *Facilitating diversity in inclusive early Childhood programs: Involving families through the MAPS process*. Paper presented at 2007 Association of Childhood Education International (ACEI) Annual conference, Tampa, FL.

Xu, Y., Gelfer, J., & Lee, K. (April 20, 2007). *Collaborating with culturally diverse families of young children with disabilities: A family-centered approach*. Paper presented at 2007 Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) Annual conference, Louisville, KY.

Xu, Y., & Drame, E. (April 9, 2007). *Culturally appropriate context: Unlocking the potential of Response to Intervention for English Language Learners*. Paper presented at 2007 American Educational Research Association (AERA) Annual conference, Chicago, IL.

Xu, Y., & Zhang, B. (April 10, 2007). *Developing dynamic assessment for children with Diverse backgrounds*. Paper presented at 2007 American Educational Research Association (AERA) Annual conference, Chicago, IL.

Drame, E., Martell, S. T., Mueller, J., Oxford, R., Wisneski, D. B., & Xu, Y. (April 10, 2007). *"We make the road by walking": A collaborative inquiry into the experiences of women in Academia*. Paper presented at 2007 American Educational Research Association (AERA) Annual conference, Chicago, IL.

Hyatt, K., Filler, J., & Xu, Y. (November 10, 2006). *Differential impact of social skill*

instruction on teacher and child behaviors. Paper presented at the 2006 TASH Annual conference, Baltimore, MD.

Xu, Y., & Gelfer, J. (October 21, 2006). *Empowering culturally diverse families of Preschoolers with disabilities: The Double ABCX Model.* Paper presented at the 22nd DEC Annual International Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and their Families, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Xu, Y., & Stone, M. (October 20, 2006). *Using digital library to enhance learning of young English learners.* Paper presented at the 22nd DEC Annual International Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and their Families, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Xu, Y. (April 13, 2006). *Celebrating inclusion: Challenges of curriculum adaptations in Preschool classrooms.* Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the Association of Childhood Education International (ACEI), San Antonio, TX.

Xu, Y. (April 6, 2006). *Using skilled dialogue to reach families with diverse cultural and linguistic backgrounds.* Paper presented at the UW-System Institute on Race and Ethnicity Conference: Enriching Racial/Ethnic Studies: Health, Education, and Cultural Knowledge, Milwaukee, WI.

Xu, Y. (November 10, 2005). *Adaptations and accommodations for young children with severe disabilities in inclusive setting.* Paper presented at the 2005 TASH Annual conference, Milwaukee, WI.

Xu, Y. (October 14, 2005). *Empowering families of premature infants through linked assessment and intervention.* Paper presented at the 21st Annual DEC Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and Their families, Portland, Oregon.

Xu, Y., & Gelfer, J. (March 23, 2005). *Developing communication strategies for teaching children who are English language learners.* Paper presented at the 2005 ACEI Annual International Conference & Exhibition, Washington, D.C.

Xu, Y., Filler, J., Hyatt, K., & Chia, G. L. (December 7, 2004). *Comparing American and Chinese caregivers' interactions with preschoolers during transition time.* Paper presented at the 20th Annual DEC Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and Their families, Chicago, IL.

Xu, Y., Haytt, K., & Filler, J. (December 6, 2004). *Using alternative assessment methods to identify young children's learning difficulties.* Paper presented at the 20th Annual DEC Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and Their families, Chicago, IL.

Xu, Y., & Draper-Rodriguez, C. (November 13, 2004). *Preparing pre-service teachers*

With alternative programs in early childhood special education. Paper presented at Teacher Education Division (TED) 27th Annual Conference, Albuquerque, NM.

Xu, Y., Perkins, P., & Gelfer, J. (November 13, 2004). *Assessing young children's play behavior for early identification of learning disabilities.* Paper presented at Teacher Education Division (TED) 27th Annual Conference, Albuquerque, NM.

Gelfer, G., Filler, J., Xu, Y., & Perkins, P. (November 12, 2004). *An alternative Undergraduate teacher preparation program in early childhood education.* Paper presented at Teacher Education Division (TED) 27th Annual Conference, Albuquerque, NM.

Xu, Y., Gelfer, J. I., Perkins, P., & Filler, J. (April 15, 2004). *Developmental outcomes of low-birth-weight children and early intervention.* The CEC 2004 Annual Convention and Expo, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Xu, Y., Gelfer, J. I., Filler, J., Perkins, P., & Lyons, C. (April 14, 2004). *Using peer tutoring for social interactions of children with diverse backgrounds.* The 2004 ACEI Annual International Conference & Exhibition, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Xu, Y., Gelfer, J. I., Perkins, P., & Hunter, D. (November 15, 2003). *Social interaction behaviors of English language learners and peer-mediated instruction.* Teacher Education Division (TED) 26th Annual Conference, Biloxi, Mississippi.

Xu, Y., & Filler, J. (November 14, 2003). *Family-focused early intervention on developmental outcomes of low-birth-weight children.* Teacher Education Division (TED) 26th Annual Conference, Biloxi, Mississippi.

Xu, Y., Gelfer, J. I., Filler, J., Perkins, P., & Lyons, C. (October 14, 2003). *Classwide peer tutoring and social interactions of children with limited English proficiency.* The 19th Annual DEC Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and Their families, Washington, DC.

Gelfer, J. I., Xu, Y., & Filler, J. (April 16, 2003). *A collaborative effort in developing an alternative teacher education program.* ACEI 2003 Annual International Conference & Exhibition, Phoenix, Arizona.

Xu, Y. (April 13, 2003). *Comparing classwide peer tutoring in two second grade classrooms.* Nevada Early Childhood Education Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada.

Xu, Y., Gelfer, J. I., & Filler, J. (November 1, 2002). *An alternative undergraduate teacher training program in early childhood education.* Teacher Education Division (TED) Conference of the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC), Savannah, Georgia.

- Xu, Y., & Babbitt, B. (October 11, 2002). *Early identification of learning disabilities through assessing young children's social skills*. The 24th International Conference on Learning Disabilities, Denver, Colorado.
- Xu, Y. (April 5, 2002). *A comparison between American and Chinese preschoolers' reactions to separation from parents*. ACEI 2002 Annual International Conference & Exhibition, San Diego, California.
- Xu, Y. (December 3, 2001). *Different parental attitudes towards children's school success among Chinese American families*. The 17th Annual DEC Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and Their families, Boston, Massachusetts.
- Xu, Y. (April 19, 2001). *Advantages and pitfalls of distance education in teacher training programs of special education*. Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) Annual Convention and Expo, Kansas City, Missouri.
- Xu, Y. (April 11, 2001). *Software programs for teaching children with ADD/ADHD in inclusive settings*. Nevada Early Childhood Conference, Las Vegas Nevada.
- Xu, Y. (April 5, 2001). *Parents' expectations for school and children's academic achievement*. ACEI 2001 Annual International Conference & Exhibition, Toronto, Canada.
- Xu, Y. (November 8, 2000). *Using distance education for teacher training program in early childhood special education*, Twenty-third Annual Conference of the Teacher Education Division (TED) of Council for Exceptional Children (CEC), Las Vegas, Nevada.
- Xu, Y., & Sileo, N. M. (November 9, 2000). *Alternative licensure in early childhood education: innovations in theory and practice*. Twenty-third Annual Conference of the Teacher Education Division (TED) of Council for Exceptional Children (CEC), Las Vegas, Nevada.

NON-REFEREED PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS/INVITED KEYNOTE SPEECHES

- Xu, Y. (October, 2019). *When East meets West: What are the sparkles, roadblocks, and icebreakers?* Keynote presentation at JU-VCU Joint Conference, Wuxi, China.
- Xu, Y. (December 14, 2017). *The impact of family empowerment: Power of families and success of children*. Jiangnan University, Wuxi, China.
- Xu, Y. (December 11-15, 2017). *Designing and conducting educational research*. Jiangnan University, Wuxi, China.
- Xu, Y., & Thompson, A. (May 28, 2013). *Multicultural perspectives in education: A*

global view. Jiangnan University and Wuxi Institute of Commerce, China.

Xu, Y. (May 9, 2013). *Assessment and evaluation development and implementation for early childhood programs*. Norfolk Public Schools, VA.

Xu, Y. (March 24, 2011). *Response to intervention: How has it been effective?* Virginia Academy of special Education, Virginia Beach, VA.

Xu, Y. (October 21, 2010). *Rewards and challenges of collaborative research-Multidisciplinary team*. Invited Panel Presentation. Northeastern Educational Research Association, Rocky Hill, CT.

Xu, Y. (August, 2010). *Assessment and evaluation: Outcome reports*. SEELLS (Supporting and Ensuring Early Language and Literacy Success) Summer Institute, Richmond, VA.

Xu, Y. (July, 2009). *Assessment and evaluation: Outcome reports*. SEELLS (Supporting and Ensuring Early Language and Literacy Success) Summer Institute, Richmond, VA.

Xu, Y. (July, 2009). *Purpose and function of evaluation and assessment*. SEELLS Summer Institute, Richmond, VA.

Xu, Y., Kennedy, L., Adams, S. (February, 2008). *Hop into the world of English language learners* Metro READY Literacy Symposium, Richmond, Virginia.

Xu, Y. (October, 2007). *Writing functional IEP goals and embedding learning opportunities*. Training & Technical Assistance Center Old Dominion University (T/TAC ODU). Norfolk, VA.

Xu, Y. (September, 2007). *Prevention and intervention for pre-school and early elementary-aged children*. The 6th Annual VTSF Grantee Training Conference, Newport News, VA

Xu, Y. (March, 2007). *Developing meaningful IEPs in Early Childhood Special Education*. Training & Technical Assistance Center Old Dominion University (T-TAC ODU). Fredericksburg, Virginia.

GRANTS AND CONTRACTS

Internal Grants:

Examining the impact of COVID-19 on international students from China at VCU. VCU COVID-19 Rapid Research Funding Award, 2020, amount awarded: \$20,000.
My role: Principal Investigator

Interventional collaboration in education through teacher education exchanges. VCU Quest Global Impact Awards, 2016-2017, amount awarded: \$9,800.00
My Role: Principal Investigator

Developing an internationally collaborative Ph.D. program within the multicultural/global context. VCU Quest Global Impact Awards, 2014-2015, amount awarded: \$20,000.00.
My role: Principal Investigator

Diversity and Disability: An inside look through a global perspective. VCU Quest Global Impact Awards, 2014-2015, amount awarded: \$20,000.00.
My role: Co-Principal Investigator

Collaborative Research in Special Education within the Global Context. International Strategic Initiative Award, Global Education Office, VCU, funded in March 2013, Amount awarded: \$12,000.00, 2013-2014.
My role: Principal Investigator

Examining the Effects of Classwide Peer Tutoring on Social and Language Skills of Young English Language Learners. VCU Presidential Research Incentive Program (PRIP) Award, funded in July 2010, Amount awarded: \$50,000.00. 2010-2011.
My role: Principal Investigator

Developing Dynamic Classroom Measurement for Young English Language Learners. Research Initiation Award (RIA), School of Education, Virginia Commonwealth University, submitted in March 2007. Funded in spring 2007, \$5,000.
My role: Co-Principal Investigator

Comparing English language learners and English-only remedial readers in reading comprehension: The effects of response to intervention (RTI). School of Education Research Grant, Virginia Commonwealth University. Funded in January 2007, \$5,000.
My role: Co-Principal Investigator

Increasing Non-traditional Students' Engagement in Academic Work with TabletPC Feedback in a Hybrid Special Education Graduate Course. Virginia Commonwealth University Center of Teaching for Excellence. Funded in January 2007, \$2,700.
My role: Principal Investigator

Examining mother-infant interactions through linked assessment and Interaction. Institute for Excellence in Urban Education (IEUE), School of Education, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. Funded March 2006, \$15,000.00 for one year.
My role: Principal Investigator

Empowering families of premature, low-birth-weight infants. University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Graduate School Research Award (2005-2006). Funded July 1, 2005, \$15,000.00 for one year.
My role: Principal investigator

Early childhood special education collaborative online master's program. University of Wisconsin System/Waisman Center. Fund March 2005, \$30,000.00 each year for three years.
My role: Online course development and implementation committee member

External Grants:

A unified set of birth to five standards for statewide use: Sharing best practices, of the Preschool Development Birth to Five (PDG B5) Grant. Virginia Department of Education. Amount awarded: \$80,000.00. September 2019-June 2020.
My role: Principal Investigator

Project 3IP: Interdisciplinary and Intensive Intervention Preparation for Professionals Serving Young Children with Significant Disabilities. Office of Special Education Programs, U.S. Department of Education (CFDA 84.325K). Amount awarded: \$1,090,947.00. 2017-2022.
My role: Principal Investigator

Project KSR: Preparing knowledgeable, skilled, and responsive early intervention/early childhood special education personnel for high-need communities. Office of Special Education Programs, U.S. Department of Education (CFDA 84.325K). Amount awarded: \$1,248,776. 2013-2019.
My role: Principal Investigator

External Evaluation for Norfolk City Public Schools Early Reading First Project. Amount awarded: \$95,500. February to September 2013.
My role: Principal Investigator

Project PREP (preparing Reflective and Evidence-based Practitioners). Special Education Preservice Training Improvement Grants (CFDA 84.325T), funded in July 2008, Amount: \$499,057. 2008-2013.
My role: Co-Principal Investigator

Supporting and Ensuring Early Language and Literacy Success (SEELLS), Early Reading First grant sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education, funded in July 2008. Amount: \$4,500,000. 2008-2011.
My role: Evaluator

Preparation and retention of early intervention/early childhood special education

personnel for high-poverty, linguistically-diverse communities (Project EI/EC PREP). U.S. Department of Education, Personnel Preparation to Improve Services and Results for Children with Disabilities; Combined Priority for Personnel Preparation: CFDA 84.325K. Amount awarded: \$800,000. 2006-2010.

My role: Co-director

Reexamining the appropriateness of assessment tools in identifying disabilities of young children with diverse cultural and linguistic backgrounds. Institute on Race and Ethnicity, University of Wisconsin System, Funded summer 2006, \$3,500.00.
My role: Principal investigator

TEACHING AND ADVISING

COURSES TAUGHT

At VCU

August 2006 to Present

- SEDP 711—Single Subject Research Methods
- SEDP 771—Research Internship
- SEDP 706—Personnel Development in Special Education
- TEDU 708—Designing, Funding, & Conducting Research in Special Education
- TEDU 681—Doctoral Seminar: Principles of Single Subject Design
- TEDU 681--Multicultural/Global Perspectives in Special Education
- SEDP 651—Multicultural and Global Perspectives in Education
- ECSE 601-- Assessment of Infants and Young Children with Disabilities
- ECSE 602-- Instructional Programming for Infants and Young Children with Disabilities
- TEDU 505--Theory and Practice of Educating Individuals with Special Needs
- SEDP 531—Collaboration and Special Education Law
- SEDP 533—Educational Assessment of Individuals with Exceptionalities
- ECSE 542—Family Professional Partnership
- ECSE 541--Infants and Young Children with Special Needs
- TEDU/SEDP 619—Multicultural Perspectives in Education
- SEDP 630—Trends and Issues in Special Education
- ECSE 672—Internship: Infants/Toddlers

At University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

August 2004-July 2006

- EXCEDUC 681: Literacy II
- EXCEDUC 651: Working with Families in Urban Communities
- EXCEDUC 630: Survey in Early Intervention
- EXCEDUC 570: Assessment and Curriculum-Primary

At University of Nevada, Las Vegas

August 2002-July 2004

- ESP 775: Strategies for Early Childhood Special Education
- ESP 773: Assessment for Young Children with Disabilities
- ESP 475: Developmental Assessment in Early Childhood Special Education
- ESP 470: Introduction to Early Childhood Education for Students with Disabilities
- ESP 422: Legal Aspects of Special Education
- ECE 355: Methods in Early Childhood Education II (Math and Science)
- ECE 353: Teaching of Communication Skills to Young Children
- ECE 352: Methods for Early Childhood Education I (Social Studies)
- ECE 252: Infant/Toddler Curriculum
- ECE 251: Curriculum in Early Childhood Education
- ECE 250: Orientation to Early Childhood Education

DISSERTATIONS CHAIRED

Evandra Catherine, complete Ph.D. in Special Education and Disability Policy, in August 2019. Dissertation Title: *Practice-based coaching intervention effect on preschool teachers' contingent responses to Black boys' emotion expressions*, Virginia Commonwealth University.

Melissa Cuba, expected to complete Ph.D. in Curriculum, Culture, and Change in May 2020. Dissertation title: *An intersectional analysis of disproportionality of dual language learners in special education in Virginia: A mixed-methods study*, Virginia Commonwealth University

Paige Carter, expected to complete Ph.D. in Special Education and Disability Policy, in August 2020, dissertation title: *Coaching paraeducators to accurately record student responses during direct instruction*, Virginia Commonwealth University

Alicia Thompson, expected to complete Ph.D. in Educational Leadership in June 2019, dissertation title: *An investigation of elementary school teachers' culturally relevant teaching practices in two cultures: A comparative study in China and the U.S.*, Virginia Commonwealth University

Valeriana Colon, completed Ph.D. in Adult Leadership in December 2018, dissertation title: *International student participation in postsecondary U.S. English language programs*, Virginia Commonwealth University

Heather Coleman, completed Ph.D. in Special Education and Disability Policy, in May 2018. Dissertation title: *Parent implemented communication intervention for preschool aged children with autism*, Virginia Commonwealth University.

Patricia Onorato, completed Ph.D. in Special Education and Disability Policy in December 2016, dissertation title: *Effects of a parent-child verbal interaction intervention in home language development of Latino preschoolers*, Virginia Commonwealth University

Mary Ellen Huennekens, completed Ph.D. in Special Education and Disability Policy in May 2013, dissertation title: *The Cross-linguistic Effects of Dialogic Reading on Young English Language Learners*, Virginia Commonwealth University

Emily Ferlis, completed Ph.D. in Instructional Leadership in May 2012, dissertation title: *ESL Teachers' Perceptions of the Prereferral Process for Identifying Latino English Language Learners with Specific Learning Disabilities*, Virginia Commonwealth University

Ian Scheu, completed Ph.D. in Instructional Leadership in May 2012, dissertation title: *The Play's the Thing: An Examination of Play's Role in the Cognitive Development of Adolescents*, Virginia Commonwealth University

Laura Kuti, completed Ph.D. in Special Education and Disability Policy in December 2011, dissertation title: *Accommodations for English Language Learners with Disabilities in Federally Mandated Statewide English Language Proficiency Assessments*, Virginia Commonwealth University

DISSERTATION COMMITTEES

Erin Stehle Wallace (Counseling and Special Education), 2019-present
Melissa Princess Washington Nortey (Developmental Psychology), 2019-present
Rachel Kunemund (Counseling and Special Education), 2018-2019
Melissa Cuba (Curriculum, Culture, Change), 2018-2019
Alison King (Counseling and Special Education), 2016-2017
Tanya Tripathi (Department of Physical Therapy), 2016-2018
Serra de Arment (Special Education and Disability Policy), 2014-2016
Amber Peacock (Instructional Leadership), 2014-2015
Diane Wolfe (Special Education and Disability Policy), 2014-2019
Michael O'Grady (Department of Physical Therapy), 2013-2015
Kenya Williams (Special Education and Disability Policy), 2013-2015
Kim Boyd (Special Education and Disability Policy), 2011-2018
Kira Austin (Special Education and Disability Policy), 2011-2014
Kim Dell (Special Education and Disability Policy), 2013
Yun Zhu (Educational leadership), 2008-2011
Chenfang Hao (Educational Leadership), 2008-2012
Abigail Vo (Special Education and Disability Policy), 2009-2011
Mark Richardson (Special Education and Disability Policy), 2009-2010
Roberta Gentry (Special Education and Disability Policy), 2009-2011
Belinda Hooper (Special Education and Disability Policy), 2009-2011
Kelly Vandergrift (Social Work), 2009-2012

Wen-Hua Du (Foreign Language and Linguistics, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee), 2008

Meg Sander (Special Education and Disability Policy), 2008

THESIS CHAIRED

Susan Wood, completed M.Ed. in ECSE in summer 2015, thesis title: *Investigating the Effects of Using iPad on Language Skills of Children with Autism*, Virginia Commonwealth University.

Mary E Hunnekens, completed M. Ed. in ECSE in August 2009, thesis title: *Accelerating Second Language Development in Preschool English Language Learners: A Cross-linguistic Storybook Intervention*, Virginia Commonwealth University

Dawn Gehrig, completed M.Ed. in ECSE in December 2005, thesis title: *Past to Present: Using Discrete Trial Teaching for Young Children with Autism*, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

Ruth Stuhr, completed M. Ed. in ECSE in December 2005, thesis title: *How Music Affects Language Development in Young Children with Hearing Loss*, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

SERVICE

MAJOR COMMITTEES

Department:

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|-------------|---|
| 2018—2019 | Co-Chair, ECSE Faculty Search Committee, Department of Counseling and Special Education, School of Education, VCU |
| 2016 – 2017 | Chair, Ruth Harris Endowed Professor Search Committee, Department of Counseling and Special Education, School of Education, VCU |
| 2016—2017 | Co-Chair, Peer Review Committee, Department of Counseling and Special Education, School of Education, VCU |
| 2015—2016 | Member, Faculty Search Committee, Department of Special Education and Disability Policy, School of Education, VCU |
| 2015 – 2016 | Member, Term Faculty Search Committee, Department of Special Education and Disability Policy, School of Education, VCU |
| 2014—2015 | Group leader, task force on the international goal of the department, VCU |
| 2011 – 2012 | Member, Faculty Search Committee, Department of Special Education and Disability Policy, School of Education, VCU |
| 2010—2011 | Member, Faculty Search Committee, Department of Special Education and Disability Policy, School of Education, VCU |
| 2010—2011 | Member, Faculty Search Committee, Department of Special Education and Disability Policy, School of Education, VCU |

- 2010—2011 Member, Faculty Search Committee, Department of Special Education and Disability Policy, School of Education, VCU
- 2010—2011 Member, Promotion and tenure Review Committee, Department of Special Education and Disability Policy, School of Education, VCU
- 2009-2010 Member, Doctoral Admissions Committee, Department of Special Education and Disability Policy, School of Education, VCU
- 2009 Member, Department Chair Search Committee, Department of Special Education and Disability Policy, School of Education, VCU

School:

- 2019 Chair, Search Committee for the Asian American Educational Studies Center, School of Education, VCU
- 2018—2019 SOE Strategic Planning Student Success Subcommittee, VCU
- 2018 Charles Ruch Award Committee, School of Education, VCU
- 2017--2019 Member, SOE Teacher Pipeline Task Force, VCU
- 2017--2019 Member, SOE Task Force on EC undergraduate degree development, VCU
- 2017—2019 SOE Budget Advisory Committee, VCU
- 2017—2018 Member, Search Committee, SOE Associate Dean of Research and Professional Development, VCU
- 2017—2020 Member, SOE Promotion and Tenure Committee, VCU
- 2018 SOE Expedited Promotion and Tenure Committee, VCU
- 2017 Member, SOE Faculty Workload Task Force, VCU
- 2016 – 2017 Member, Literacy Institute Director Search Committee, School of Education, VCU
- 2015—2016 Member, Faculty Search Committee, Department of Teaching and Learning, School of Education, VCU
- 2015—2016 President, Faculty Organization, School of Education, VCU
- 2015 Member, Third-year Review, School of Education, VCU
- 2014—2016 Chair, Diversity Committee, School of Education, VCU
- 2012--2015 Member, Tenure and Promotion Committee, School of Education, VCU
- 2012--2013 Chair, Grade Appeal Committee, School of Education, VCU
- 2012--2013 Member, Faculty Award Committee, School of Education, VCU
- 2012--2013 Member, Charles P. Ruch Award Committee, School of Education, VCU
- 2011—2013 Member, NCATE Steering Committee, School of Education, VCU
- 2011 –2013 Member, Research Coordinator Search Committee, School of Education, VCU
- 2011 – 2012 Member, Math Education Faculty Search Committee, Department of Teaching and Learning, School of Education, VCU
- 2011 – 2012 Member, Research and Evaluation Faculty Search Committee, Department of Foundations, School of Education, VCU
- 2011 – 2012 Member, Tenure and Promotion Peer Review Committee, School of Education, VCU

2011—2012 Member, Promotion and Tenure Review Committee, Department of Health Sciences, School of Education, VCU

2011-- 2012 Member, Faculty Load Task Force, School of Education, VCU

2011—2012 White Paper Committee, School of Education, VCU

2010 Member, Third-year Peer Review Committee, School of Education, VCU

2009 – 2011 Member, Assessment Committee, School of Education, Virginia Commonwealth University

2010 Member, Educational Psychology faculty search committee, School of Education, VCU

2010 Member, Promotion and Tenure Peer Review Committee, School of Education, VCU

2009 Member, 2020 Visioning Planning Committee, School of Education, VCU

2009 Member, Promotion and Tenure Peer Review Committee, School of Education, VCU

2008 - 2011 Member, School of Education Scholarship Committee, Virginia Commonwealth University

2006 – 2008 Co-Chair, Cultural Diversity Committee, School of Education, Virginia Commonwealth University

2007 – 2009 Member, Research and Professional Development Committee, School of Education, Virginia Commonwealth University

University:

2019 External Reviewer, Tenure and Promotion Committee, School of Social Work, VCU

2018 External Reviewer, Peer Review Committee of School of Humanities, Department of Psychology, VCU

2018 External Reviewer, Peer Review Committee of School of Social Work, VCU

2017—2018 Faculty mentor, VCU Peer Mentoring Program through the Provost's Office, VCU

2017 External Reviewer, Peer Review Committee of School of Social Work, VCU

2017—Present Member, University Grievance Panel, VCU

2016 – 2017 Alternate member, University Grievance Panel, VCU

2015—Present Member, COACHE Advisory Board

2014—2017 Member, Faculty Senate, VCU

2014—2017 Member, Academic and Professional Status Committee, VCU

2014--Present Group Leader, Early Childhood Development Research Group, VCU

2013--2014 External Member, Tenure and Promotion Peer Review Committee, Department of Psychology, VCU

2012--2013 Faculty Senate, Alternate, VCU

2011—2013 Member, University Council, VCU

2009 – 2012 Member, Graduate Council, Virginia Commonwealth University

2006-2008 Member, Asian Scholars and Students Association, Virginia Commonwealth University

2007- 2008 Faculty senate, first alternate, Virginia Commonwealth University

2006 – 2007 Faculty senate, second alternate, Virginia Commonwealth University

2004 - 2006 Member, UWM Student Organization Disciplinary Review Committee

2004 – 2006 Member, Research Committee, School of Education, UW-Milwaukee

2005 – 2006 Member, UWM International Scholars Services Advisory Board

2005 – 2006 Member, UWM School of Education Urban Forum Planning Committee

2004 Member, Appeal Committee, Department of Exceptional Education, School of Education, UW-Milwaukee

2003 – 2004 Member, Doctoral Admission Committee, Department of Special Education, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

2003 – 2004 Member, Faculty Evaluation Committee, Department of Special Education, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Regional:

2018 Member, Early Childhood Higher Education Symposium, VA

2016-Present Member, Virginia Early Childhood 2+2 Articulation Development, VCU

2016-Present Member, Virginia Cross-Sector Professional Development (VCPD), VA

2015-2017 Planner, The Annual Evelyn Reed Symposium on Early Childhood Research and Practice, VCU

2016-Present Co-Evaluator, Sprout School Evaluation via the YWCA and Children’s Museum of Richmond

2012-Present Member, the Professional Education Coordinating Council (PECC), VCU

2011 Planner and facilitator, *Strategies to support inclusion for early childhood professionals and families*, Weinstein Jewish Community Center, Richmond, VA

2011 Planner and facilitator, *Best practices in early childhood symposium: From assessment to curriculum*, Weinstein Jewish Community center, Richmond, VA

2010 Invited Panel on *Collaboration and Teaming*, Northeastern Educational Research Association 41st Annual Conference, East Hampton, CT.

2010 Guest Speaker, *Response to Intervention: Potential Benefits and Challenges*, Henrico County Special Education Advisory Committee

2007 - 2010 Member, Project Metro READY Advisory Board, University-Community Partnerships, Richmond, Virginia

2009 Presenter, Fall into Literacy Symposium on *Early Language and Literacy Classroom Observation (ELLCO) and supporting young*

- English language learners*, Virginia Commonwealth University and Virginia Department of Education
- 2008 – 2011 Presenter/Trainer, training Early Reading First project staff on *Early Language and Literacy Classroom Observation (ELLCO)* tool, Richmond, VA
- 2008 – 2011 Presenter/Trainer, training Early Reading First project evaluators on classroom observation and child assessment measures, Richmond, VA
- 2008 Presenter, Metro READY Literacy Symposium on *teaching young English language learners*, Richmond, Virginia
- 2008 Participant, Regional Forum for School Readiness, Richmond, Virginia
- 2007 Workshop developer and presenter, *writing functional IEP goals and embedding learning opportunities for special education teachers*, Old Dominion University
- 2007 Guest speaker, Virginia Tobacco Settlement Foundation, on *challenging behaviors of preschoolers and early-elementary aged children*, Norfolk, VA, September
- 2007 Guest speaker, Partnership for Families, on *social/emotional development of young children*, Northside, VA
- 2007 Workshop developer and presenter, on *IEP Goals/Objectives development* for Fredericksburg early childhood special educators
- 2007 Consultant, Evaluation of Self-study Training Accreditation Readiness (STAR) Child Outcomes-- Year 2, VCU Community Solutions and the Literacy Institute at VCU, United Way of Greater Richmond and Petersburg
- 2004-2006 Online course designer and instructor, DPI State Implementation Grant--Early Childhood Special Education Collaborative Online Master's Program Committee, Waisman Center, UW-System
- 2005 Facilitator, Workshop on strategies to support young English language learners with special needs, Milwaukee, Wisconsin
- 2004 Member, DPI State Implementation Grant--Early Childhood Special Education Collaborative Online Master's Program Committee Meeting, Waisman Center, UW-Madison
- 2004 Wisconsin Pediatric Advocacy Day, Children's Hospital of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, WI
- 2004 Presenter, Intersecting Interests 2004 Higher Education Forum, Sheraton Madison Hotel, Madison, WI

National:

- 2019 External Reviewer, Tenure and Promotion Committee from the Education University of Hong Kong
- 2019 External Reviewer, Tenure and Promotion Committee from University of East Carolina University
- 2019 External Reviewer, Tenure and Promotion Committee from Saint Joseph University

2019	Grant Proposal Panel Reviewer, the U.S. Department of Education's Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP)
2018	External Reviewer, Tenure and Promotion Committee from University of Minnesota Duluth
2018	External Reviewer, Tenure and Promotion Committee from Bradley University
2018	Grant Proposal Panel Reviewer, the U.S. Department of Education's Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP)
2017	External Reviewer, Tenure and Promotion Committee from University of Virginia
2016	Grant Proposal Panel Reviewer, the U.S. Department of Education's Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP)
2016	Proposal reviewer, AERA Annual Conference Proposals (3 divisions; 1 SIG)
2016	Proposal reviewers, CEC Annual Conference Proposals
2015	Research Awards Reviewer, Division for Research (DR) Student Research Awards, Council for Exceptional Children (CEC)
2015	Proposal reviewer, Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS), Washington, D.C.
2015	Section Chair, Chinese American Educational Research and Development Association (CAERDA) Taiwan International Conference
2014-2015	Chair, Awards Committee, Division for International Special Education and Services (DISES) of the Council for Exceptional Education (CEC)
2014-2015	Chair, Conference Planning Committee, 2015 Chinese American Educational Research and Development Association (CAERDA) Conference
2013-2014	Chair, Dissertation Award Committee, 2014 Chinese American Educational Research and Development Association (CAERDA) Conference
2013-2014	Chair, Distinguished Paper Award Committee, 2014 CAERDA Conference
2013-2014	Chair, Student Paper Award Committee, 2014 CAERDA Conference
2013-2014	Member, Conference Planning Committee, 2014 CAERDA Conference
2013-2014	Section Chair, 2014 Chinese American Educational Research and Development Association (CAERDA) Conference
2013- 2014	Proposal reviewer, AERA Annual Conference Proposals (3 divisions; 1 SIG)
2013-2014	Proposal reviewer, CAERDA Annual Conference proposals (two sections)
2013	Panel reviewer, Institute of Museum and Library Services, National Leadership Grant Program

2012-2013	Member, Dissertation Award Committee, the 2013 CAERDA Conference
2012- 2013	Member, Conference Planning Committee, 2013 CAERDA Conference
2012- 2013	Section Chair, 2013 Chinese American Educational Research and Development Association (CAERDA) Conference
2012- 2013	Proposal reviewer, CAERDA Annual Conference Proposals
2012- 2013	Program Translator, CAERDA Annual Conference Program
2012- 2013	Proposal reviewer, AERA Annual Conference Proposals (2 divisions; 1 SIG)
2012- 2013	Proposal reviewer, CEC Annual Conference Proposals
2012- 2013	Abstract Translator, <i>Journal of International Special Education</i>
2012	Panel reviewer, National Science Foundation (NSF) Informal Science Education Program
2011 – 2012	Associate Conference Chair, 2012 Chinese American Educational Research and Development Association (CAERDA) (20 th Anniversary of CAERDA)
2012	Dissertation Award Committee, the 2012 CAERDA Conference
2011- 2012	Proposal reviewer, AERA annual conference proposals (three divisions)
2010	Proposal Reviewer, DEC annual conference proposals (Research Strand)
2007 – 2008	Proposal Reviewer, AERA annual conference proposals (five divisions)
2007	Proposal Reviewer, DEC annual conference: International Strand
2002 – 2004	Proposal Reviewer, TED (Teacher Education Division) Annual Conferences

EDITORIAL ACTIVITY

2016 - Present	Regional Editor (China and Asia), <i>Early Child Development and Care</i>
2016 – Present	Associate Editor, <i>Journal of Child and Family Studies</i>
2010-- Present	Editorial Board Member, <i>Early Child Development and Care</i>
2009 – Present	Editorial Board Member, <i>Young Exceptional Children (YEC)</i>
2019	Journal Article Reviewer, <i>Intercultural Education</i>
2019	Journal Article Reviewer, <i>Inclusion</i>
2019	Journal Article Reviewer, <i>Journal of Autism and Developmental Disorders</i>
2011	Book manuscript reviewer, <i>Global perspectives in early childhood education: Common characteristics and unique qualities in preschool programs</i> , Springer
2009	Book Proposal Reviewer, <i>Global perspectives in early childhood education: Common characteristics and unique qualities in preschool programs</i> , Springer

- 2008 Book Reviewer, *The law and special education*, Pearson Merrill Prentice Hall
- 2008 Book Reviewer, *Assessing the needs of the early childhood special education learner*, Pearson Merrill Prentice Hall
- 2007 Book Reviewer, *Early childhood special education 0-8: Strategies & practices*, Pearson Merrill Prentice Hall
- 2007 Book Reviewer, *Very young children with special needs: A formative approaches for today's children*. Pearson Merrill Prentice Hall
- 2006 Book Reviewer, *Special education law*. Pearson Merrill Prentice Hall
- 2013 Journal Article Reviewer, *Applied Psycholinguistics*
- 2013 Journal Article Reviewer, *American Educational Research Journal-Social and Institutional Analysis*
- 2011- Present Journal Article Reviewer, *Journal of Educational Computing Research*
- 2010- Present Journal Article Reviewer, *Early Childhood Education Journal*
- 2010- Present Journal Article Reviewer, *Early Child Development and Care*
- 2008 – 2016 Journal Article Reviewer, *Journal of Child and Family Studies*
- 2006 – Present Journal Article Reviewer, *Young Exceptional Children*
- 2006 – Present Journal Article Reviewer, *Journal of Special Education*
- 2005 – Present Journal Article Reviewer, *Journal of Early Intervention*
- 2004 – Present Journal article reviewer, *TESOL (Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages) Quarterly*

OTHER SIGNIFICANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2019 Keynote speaker, JU-VCU Joint conference in Wuxi, China
- 2018 Invited speaker, International students and faculty from China
- 2017-18 Faculty mentor, Doctoral Student Guest Reviewers for *Young Exceptional Children*, Division for Early Childhood of the Council for Exceptional Children
- 2017-18 Faculty consultant, international students and faculty from Jiangnan University
- 2017-18 Guest speaker for doctoral students' seminars on research and professional development
- 2016-17 Reading Discussion Facilitator, Common book program, VCU
- 2016 Facilitator for student round table presentation, VCU School of Education
- 2016 Guest speaker for a doctoral course on critical issues within the global context, VCU School of Education
- 2015-16 Guest speaker for a doctoral seminar course on single subject research, VCU
- 2014-15 Guest speaker for a doctoral seminar course on single subject research, VCU
- 2014-15 Faculty mentor for doctoral students' international collaboration between VCU and Jiangnan University, China

- 2014 Faculty Mentor for Association of Childhood Education International (ACEI) Student Club
- 2013 Identifying international research partners for doctoral students and facilitating students' international collaboration, VCU and Jiangnan University, China
- 2013 Guest speaker for international students on intercultural awareness, VCU
- 2011 Guest speaker for a doctoral seminar course on literature review and research proposal, School of Education, Virginia Commonwealth University
- 2011 Featured lecture, Multicultural education newsletter, VCU
- 2009 Guest speaker for a doctoral course on program evaluation, School of Education, Virginia Commonwealth University
- 2008 Guest speaker for a doctoral seminar course, on developing research agenda, School of Education, Virginia Commonwealth University
- 2007 Organizing doctoral colloquium for department of Special Education and Disability Policy, School of Education, Virginia Commonwealth University
- 2007 Guest speaker for a doctoral seminar course, on educational research, School of Education, Virginia Commonwealth University
- 2005 UWM Annual Open House, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
- 2004 Kaleidoscope: *Faculty round table discussions: Making the transition*. Teacher Education Division (TED) 27th Annual Conference, Albuquerque, NM
- 2004 UWM Annual Open House, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
- 2003 New Faculty Panel Presentation at UNLV doctoral colloquium on job interview process
- 2002–04 Advisor, Asian Students Association, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

MEMBERSHIPS IN ORGANIZATIONS AND SOCIETIES

Professional:

- 2018 –Present Diversity Committee, Division for Research (DR) of the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC)
- 2015 – 2016 President, Chinese American Educational Research and Development Association (CAERDA)
- 2014 - 2015 Vice President, Chinese American Educational Research and Development Association (CAERDA)
- 2013- 2017 Board Officer, Division of International Special Education and Services (DISES)
- 2011 – Present Board Officer, Chinese American Educational Research and Development Association (CAERDA)
- 1999 – Present Member, Council for Exceptional Children (CEC)
 - Teacher Education Division
 - Division for Early Childhood
 - Division for Research
 - Division for Culturally and Linguistically Diverse

Exceptional Learners
Division for International Special Education and
Services

2011--2013	Past President, Virginia Division for Early Childhood (VA DEC)
2009 – 2011	President, Virginia Division for Early Childhood (VA DEC)
2007 – 2009	President-elect, Virginia Division for Early Childhood (VA DEC)
2005 – Present	Member, American Educational Research Association (AERA)
2003 – Present	Member, The Association for Childhood Education International (ACEI)
2004 – 2006	Member, UW-Milwaukee Early Childhood Research Center
2004 – 2006	Member, UW-Milwaukee Association of Asian Faculty and Staff

SPECIAL AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS AND OTHER HONORS

2019	Recipient, Outstanding Reviewer Award, Springer Publishing
2018	Recipient, Charles Ruch Teaching for Excellence Award, School of Education, Virginia Commonwealth University
2018	Recipient, Award for Distinguished Service, School of Education, Virginia Commonwealth University
2017	Recipient, Outstanding Reviewer Award, Springer Publishing
2016	Nominee for the 2016 Presidential Awards for Community Multicultural Enrichment (PACME), VCU
2015	Spirit of Advocacy Award, Children's Hospital of Richmond at VCU
2015	Honorable Professor, Jiangnan University, Wuxi, China
2014	Recipient, Quest Global Impact Award, Virginia Commonwealth University
2013	Recipient, International Strategic Initiative Award, Global Education Office, Virginia Commonwealth University
2013	Participant, Grace Harris Leadership Development Program, Virginia Commonwealth University
2012	Recipient, Charles Ruch Teaching for Excellence Award, School of Education, Virginia Commonwealth University
2010	Recipient, Virginia Commonwealth University Presidential Research Incentive program Award
2009	Nominee for SCHEV 2010 Rising Star Award from Virginia Commonwealth University School of Education
2008	Award for Distinguished Scholarship, Virginia Commonwealth University School of Education, Richmond, Virginia.
2008	Early Childhood Longitudinal Study – Birth Cohort (ECLS-B) Data Training Seminar, National Center for Education Statistics, Institute of Education Sciences, Washington, DC.
2006	Research Workshop Fellowship, CEC Early Career Research Workshop
2006	UWM School of Education Institute for Excellence in Urban Education (IEUE) Research Award
2005	UWM Graduate School Research Award

2005	UWM Early Childhood Research and Special Education Reading Seminar award, University of Wisconsin-System Institute on Race and Ethnicity
2004	The Distinguished Dissertation of the College of Education, University Of Nevada, Las Vegas
2002	Certificate of Distinction for Exemplary Performance on the Doctoral Comprehensive Examination, University of Nevada, Las Vegas
2000 – 2002	GREAT (Graduate Research Assistantship) Scholarship, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Graduate School; the scholarship provided support for research during summer terms.
1991 – 1992	Distinguished Teacher, Guilin Medical College, China
1990 – 1991	Distinguished Teacher, Guilin Medical College, China