

KIMBERLY MOHEREK SOPKO, Ed. D.

Curriculum Vitae – March 2020

EDUCATION

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| 2001 | The George Washington University, Washington, DC | Ed.D. Special Education |
| 1991 | The George Washington University, Washington, DC | M.A. Education and Human Development: Early Childhood Special Education |
| 1988 | The George Washington University, Washington, DC | B.A. Psychology |

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

- 2018-present **Assistant Professor** (part-time faculty), George Mason University, Division of Child, Family, and Community Engagement, Early Childhood Special Education Program, Fairfax, VA
- 2001-present **Education Consultant**, Self-Employed, Virginia Beach, VA, Honolulu, HI, Burke, VA
- 2016-2018 **Leadership Consultant/Technical Assistance Lead**, The Early Childhood Personnel Center, University of Connecticut, Hartford, CT
- 2016-2017 **Early Childhood Special Education Coordinator & LEADS Web Site Manager**, Virginia Department of Education Training and Technical Assistance Center at George Mason University, Fairfax, VA
- 2016-2017 **Adjunct Professor**, George Mason University, Fairfax, VA
- 2015-2016 **Substitute Teacher**, Holy Family Catholic Academy, Honolulu, Hawai'i
- 2010-2013 **Assistant Professor** (part-time faculty), George Mason University, Early Childhood Education Program, Fairfax, VA
- 2006-2007 **Adjunct Professor**, Old Dominion University, Department of Early Childhood, Speech Language Pathology, and Special Education, Norfolk, VA
- 2005-2006 **Visiting Assistant Professor**, Old Dominion University, Department of Early Childhood, Speech Language Pathology, and Special Education Norfolk, VA
- 2004-2005 **Adjunct Professor**, Old Dominion University, Department of Early Childhood, Speech Language Pathology, and Special Education, Norfolk, VA
- 2004-2010 **Senior Policy Consultant**, Project Forum at the National Association of State Directors of Special Education, Alexandria, VA
- 2002-2003 **Visiting Assistant Professor**, Old Dominion University, Department of Early Childhood, Speech Language Pathology, and Special Education, Norfolk, VA
- 2001-2002 **Early Childhood Special Educator**, Norfolk Infant Development Program, Norfolk Community Services Board, Norfolk, VA
- 2000-2001 **Program Coordinator**, National Association of State Directors of Special Education, Alexandria, VA
- 1999-2000 **Visiting Instructor**, The George Washington University, Department of Teacher Preparation and Special Education, Washington, DC
- 1996-1999 **Early Childhood Special Educator**, community-based inclusion specialist, Alexandria City Public Schools, Alexandria, VA

1991-1996 **Early Childhood Special Educator**, self-contained non-categorical classroom,
Alexandria City Public Schools, Alexandria, VA

REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

- Sopko, K.M.** & LaRocco, D.J. (2018). Leading and growing in a culture of reciprocal trust. *Young Exceptional Children*.21(3), 63-75. doi. 10.1177/1096250615621361
- LaRocco, D.J. & **Sopko, K.M.** (2017). Your H.E.R.O.—Thriving as an early intervention/early childhood special education professional. *Young Exceptional Children*. 20(4), 179-190. doi: 10.1177/1096250615621360.
- Bruns, D.A., LaRocco, D.J, **Sopko, K.M.** & Sharp, O. (2017). Leadership Competencies in U.S. Early Intervention/Early Childhood Special Education Service Systems: A National Survey. *Infants and Young Children*, 30 (4), p. 304-319.
- LaRocco, D.J., **Sopko, K.M.**, Bruns, D.A., & Gupta, S.S. (2014). Voices from the field: A national early childhood leadership summit. *Young Exceptional Children*. 17(4), 28-30. doi: 10.1177/1096250614544226
- Sopko, K.M.** (2013). Parentally placed private school students with disabilities. *Communication Disorders Quarterly*, 35, pp. 28-38. Retrieved from <http://cdq.sagepub.com/content/35/1/28.citation>
- Moherrek, K.**, Jarrett, M., & Freund, M. (2000). Coherent, continuous, and collaborative systems of personnel development – Eighteen funded state improvement grants descriptively analyzed. *Eighth Annual CSPD Conference on Leadership and Change Monograph*. Alexandria, VA: NASDSE.

BOOK CHAPTERS

- Sopko, K.M.** (2009). Universal design for learning policy challenges and recommendations. In D.T. Gordon, J.W. Gravel, & L.A. Schifter (Eds). *A Policy Reader in Universal Design for Learning* (pp. 109-126). Cambridge, MA: Harvard Education Press.
- Sopko, K.M.** (2009). Universal design for learning implementation in six local education agencies. In D.T. Gordon, J.W. Gravel, & L.A. Schifter (Eds). *A Policy Reader in Universal Design for Learning* (pp. 93-108). Cambridge, MA: Harvard Education Press.

PUBLICATIONS VETTED BY U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

- Sopko, K.M.** (2010). *Preparation for postsecondary life for students with disabilities*. Alexandria, VA: Project Forum at NASDSE.
- Sopko, K.M.** (2010). *Workforce preparation to serve children who receive Part C services*. Alexandria, VA: Project Forum at NASDSE.
- Burdette, P. & **Sopko, K.M.** (2010). *Coordinated early intervening services: Programs in local education agencies that are required to withhold IDEA funds*. Alexandria, VA: Project Forum at NASDSE.
- Sopko, K.M.** (2009). *Early childhood mental health services: Four state case studies*. Alexandria, VA: Project Forum at NASDSE.

- Sopko, K.M.** (2009). *Universal design for learning: Policy challenges and recommendations*. Alexandria, VA: Project Forum at NASDSE.
- Sopko, K.M.** (2008). *State support of education-related assistive technology*. Alexandria, VA: Project Forum at NASDSE.
- Sopko, K.M.** (2008). *Summary of performance*. Alexandria, VA: Project Forum at NASDSE.
- Sopko, K.M.** (2008). *Parentally placed private school students with disabilities*. Alexandria, VA: Project Forum at NASDSE.
- Sopko, K.M.** (2008). *Universal design for learning: Implementation in six local education agencies*. Alexandria, VA: Project Forum at NASDSE.
- Sopko, K.M. & Reder, N.** (2007). *Public and parent reporting requirements: NCLB and IDEA regulations*. Alexandria, VA: Project Forum at NASDSE.
- Sopko, K.M.** (2006). *School mental health services in the United States*. Alexandria, VA: Project Forum at NASDSE.
- Sopko, K.M.** (2006). *School-based Medicaid for children with disabilities*. Alexandria, VA: Project Forum at NASDSE.
- Sopko, K.M.** (2003). *The IEP: A synthesis of current literature since 1997*. Alexandria, VA: Project Forum at NASDSE.
- Sopko, K.M.** (2003). *Strategies identified by state education agencies in the nineteen funded 2002 state improvement grant supplemental applications*. Washington, DC: Academy for Educational Development, Federal Resource Center.
- Sopko, K.M.** (2002). *Reading first program: An overview*. Alexandria, VA: Project Forum at NASDSE.
- Moherek, K.** (2001). *Synthesis of state needs identified by state education agencies in the 2000 state improvement grant applications*. Washington, DC: Academy for Educational Development, Federal Resource Center.
- Moherek, K.** (2000). *Synthesis of state needs identified by state education agencies in the 1999 state improvement grant applications*. Washington, DC: Academy for Educational Development, Federal Resource Center.

NON-REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

- LaRocco, D.J., Bruns, D.A., Gupta, S.S., & **Sopko, K.M.** (2014). *National early childhood special education leadership summit: Final Report February 2014*. Retrieved from <http://www.hartford.edu/enhp/content/pdf/cpheap/ecse.pdf>
- Virginia Early Childhood Policy Center. *contributing author (2014) *The State of Early Childhood in the Commonwealth of Virginia*. Norfolk, VA: Old Dominion University Virginia Early Childhood Policy Center. Retrieved from <https://www.odu.edu/education/research/vecpc/publications>
- Moherek, K.** (2001). *A descriptive analysis of partnership agreements in state improvement grants: Collaborative partners and personnel development strategies in fourteen need areas*. Doctoral Dissertation, the George Washington University, Washington, DC. Ann Arbor, MI: UMI Dissertation Services.
- Moherek, K.** (1999). *The National Association of State Directors of Special Education (NASDSE), the Council of Schools for the Blind (COSB), and the Conference of Educational Administrators of Schools and Programs for the Deaf (CEASD) meeting proceedings document*. Alexandria, VA: NASDSE.

REFEREED PRESENTATIONS

National and International Conferences

- Sopko, K.M.** (2019, October). *Building a climate of reciprocal trust for effective collaboration and inclusive futures*. Peer-reviewed presentation at the 35th Annual International Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and Their Families, Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children, Dallas, TX.
- Richardson, J. & **Sopko, K.M.** (2019, October) *Big Dreams and a School District's Collaborative Journey for Early Childhood Inclusion*. Peer-reviewed poster presentation at the 35th Annual International Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and Their Families, Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children, Dallas, TX.
- Bruder, M.B., Stayton, V., **Sopko, K.M.**, Gundler, D. (2018, February) *Building Leadership: Integrating Part C and 619 Into State Early Childhood Systems*. Peer Reviewed Presentation at the Council for Exceptional Children Convention, Tampa, FL.
- Bruder, M.B., Stayton, V., **Sopko, K.M.**, Gundler, D. (2018, February) *Systems Thinking: Developing Comprehensive and Integrated Systems of Personnel Development for All*. Peer Reviewed Presentation at the Council for Exceptional Children Convention, Tampa, FL.
- Bruder, M.B. Gundler, D., Casey, M., **Sopko, K.M.** (2017, October) *Systems Thinking: Developing Comprehensive and Integrated Systems of Personnel Development for All*. Peer-reviewed presentation at the 33rd Annual International Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and Their Families, Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children, Portland, OR.
- Sopko, K.M.** & LaRocco, D.J. (2016, October). *Practitioners as Leaders: Building a Climate of Reciprocal Trust*. Peer-reviewed poster presentation at the 32nd Annual International Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and Their Families, Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children, Louisville, KY.
- LaRocco, D.J, Bruns, D.S., & **Sopko, K.M.** (2016, October). *Mobilizing and supporting advocacy: One face of leadership*. Peer-reviewed presentation at the 32nd Annual International Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and Their Families, Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children, Louisville, KY.
- Sopko, K.M.**, Bruns, D.A., & LaRocco, D.J. (2015, October). *Telling stories—A way to promote doing the right thing*. Peer-reviewed presentation at the 31st Annual International Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and Their Families, Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children, Atlanta, GA.
- LaRocco, D.J, **Sopko, K.M.**, & Bruns, D.A. (2015, October). *Doing the right thing -- Exploring values, means, and ends*. Peer-reviewed presentation at the 31st Annual International Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and Their Families, Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children, Atlanta, GA.
- Winton, P., Peterson, C., Woods, J., & **Sopko, K.M.** (2015, October). *Bringing DEC recommended practices to life—Seeking input from the field*. Peer-reviewed presentation at the 31st Annual International Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and Their Families, Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children, Atlanta, GA.

- Sopko, K. M., & LaRocco, D. J.** (2014, October). *Toward brighter futures for ECSE professionals: Confidence, hope, optimism, and resilience*. Peer-reviewed presentation at the 30th Annual International Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and Their Families, Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children, St. Louis, MO.
- LaRocco, D. J., Bruns, D. A., Gupta, S. S., & **Sopko, K. M.** (2014, October). *Building leadership capital: Findings and recommended actions from a national ECSE summit*. Peer-reviewed presentation at the 30th Annual International Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and Their Families, Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children, St. Louis, MO.
- Sopko, K.M. & Gupta, S.** (2013, November). *Including children with disabilities: How administrators prepare to support inclusion*. Peer-reviewed presentation at the National Association for the Education of Young Children Annual Conference & Expo, Washington, DC.
- Wald, P.J. & **Moherrek, K.** (2000, November). *Building a community's conscience and capacity for inclusive early childhood education*. Peer-reviewed presentation at the Coalition for Community Schools National Forum, Washington, DC.
- Moherrek, K.** (2000, March). *Coherent, continuous, and collaborative systems of personnel development – Eighteen funded state improvement grants descriptively analyzed*. Peer-reviewed poster presented at the 8th Annual CSPD Conference on Leadership and Change, Alexandria, VA.

Regional, State, and Local Conferences

- Sopko, K.M.** (2019, July) *Building a climate of trust for effective collaboration and inclusive futures*. Peer-reviewed presentation at the Creating Connections to Shining Stars: Virginia's Collaborative Early Childhood Birth through Five Conference, Roanoke, VA.
- Richardson, J. & **Sopko, K.M.** (2019, July) *Big Dreams and a School District's Collaborative Journey For Early Childhood Inclusion*. Peer-reviewed presentation at Creating Connections to Shining Stars: Virginia's Collaborative Early Childhood Birth through Five Conference, Roanoke, VA.
- Sopko, K.M.** (2017, July). *Practitioners as leaders: Building a climate of reciprocal trust*. Peer-reviewed presentation at the Creating Connections to Shining Stars: Virginia's Collaborative Early Childhood Birth through Five Conference, Roanoke, VA.
- Brown, E. & **Sopko, K.M.** (2017, July). *MamaBear: Using parent knowledge and experience to improve practice and engagement*. Peer-reviewed presentation at the Creating Connections to Shining Stars: Virginia's Collaborative Early Childhood Birth through Five Conference, Roanoke, VA.
- Sopko, K.M.** (2014, January). *Understanding systemic change and leadership for preschool inclusion*. Peer-reviewed presentation at the 65th Annual Conference of the Southern Early Childhood Association; Williamsburg, VA.
- Sopko, K.M.** (2014, January). *Creating inclusive preschool environments for developmentally appropriate play*. Peer-reviewed presentation at the 65th Annual Conference of the Southern Early Childhood Association; Williamsburg, VA.

- Sopko, K.M. & Gupta, S. (2013, July).** *Including children with disabilities: How early childhood administrators prepare for change to support inclusion.* Peer-reviewed presentation at Creating Connections to Shining Stars: Virginia's Collaborative Early Childhood Birth through Five Conference, Virginia Beach, VA.
- Sopko, K.M. (2013, July).** *Inclusive learning environments: Supporting cognitive, language, and positive behavior skill development.* Peer-reviewed presentation at Creating Connections to Shining Stars: Virginia's Collaborative Early Childhood Birth through Five Conference, Virginia Beach, VA.
- Moherrek, K. & Wheeler, J. (1994, April).** *Communication strategies to promote collaboration in inclusive settings.* Peer reviewed presentation at the Virginia Council for Exceptional Children State Conference, Roanoke, VA.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

National and International Conferences

- Sopko, K.M. & Pedersen, K. (2018, invited for October)** *Imagining how to and innovatively make a difference: Being an Advocate.* Presentation at the 34th Annual International Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and Their Families, Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children, Orlando, FL.
- Sopko, K.M. & Smith, B.J. (2017).** *Mountains of opportunity for advocacy: Come climb new peaks with us.* Presentation at the 33rd Annual International Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and Their Families, Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children, Portland, OR.
- Sopko, K.M. & Davidson, A.M. (2015, October).** *Third annual national summit on leadership in early childhood special education.* Presentation at the 31st Annual International Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and Their Families, Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children, Atlanta, GA.
- Sopko, K.M., Moyer-Trimyer, R. & Reichow, B. (2015, October).** *DEC special interest groups.* Presentation at the 31st Annual International Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and Their Families, Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children, Atlanta, GA.
- LaRocco, D.J. & Sopko, K.M. (2014, October).** *A national summit follow along on leadership in early childhood special education.* Presentation at the 30th Annual International Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and Their Families, Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children, St. Louis, MO.
- Sopko, K.M. (2008, December).** *Universal design for learning--A policy forum.* Project Forum at NASDSE, Alexandria, VA.

Local Meetings

- Sopko, K.M. (2018, August)** *Differentiating instruction and embedding learning outcomes in an Inclusive Preschool Program.* James Thackery Preschool, Falls Church Public Schools, Falls Church, VA.
- Sopko, K.M. (2015, August).** *Developmental red flags: Discovery and action.* Presentation for Keiki Child Care Center of Hawai'i, Pearl City, HI.

- Sopko, K.M.** (2010, April). *Adaptations and modifications for all infants and toddlers*. Presentation for the Fairfax County Early Learning Institute, Fairfax, VA.
- Sopko, K.M.** (2010, March). *How do I know? Documenting intuitive concerns about the infants and toddlers in your care*. Presentation for the Fairfax County Early Learning Institute, Fairfax, VA.
- Sopko, K.M.** (2007, September). *Evidence-based practices in early childhood*. Presentation for the DAC Center, Portsmouth, VA.
- Sopko, K.M.** (2006, September). *Tools for collaboration*. Presentation for the Norfolk Public Schools, Norfolk, VA.
- Sopko, K.M.** (2002, October). *Creating opportunities for language*. Presentation for the DAC Center, Portsmouth, VA.
- Sopko, K.M.** (2002, September). *Activity-based instruction in the early childhood classroom*. Presentation for the Old Dominion University Training and Technical Assistance Center, Norfolk, VA.
- Moherek, K.** (2001, April). *Community preschool boards: Smooth transitions*. Presentation for the Beverley Hills Community Preschool, Alexandria, VA.
- Wald, P.J. & **Moherek, K.** (2000, April). *Creating an inclusive early childhood program*. Presentation for the Uintah County Early Intervention Program, Vernal, UT.
- Moherek, K.** (2000, February). *Re-visiting Children Together's vision*. Presentation for Children Together Board of Directors, Alexandria, VA.
- Moherek, K.** (1999, September). *Inclusion and collaboration: Practical strategies*. Presentation for Alexandria Head Start and ACPS Early Childhood Special Educators, Alexandria, VA.
- Moherek, K.** (1998, February, April). *Mentor / Peer-coaching training*. Presentation for Meeting House Cooperative Preschool and Alexandria Head Start, Alexandria, VA.
- Moherek, K. & Stoltz, C.** (1997, March). *Recognizing developmental red flags*. Presentation at the Children Together Professional Development Event, Alexandria, VA.
- Moherek, K.** (1997, March). *Building and maintaining relationships between early childhood professionals and special educators*. Presentation at the Children Together Professional Development Event, Alexandria, VA.
- Moherek, K.** (1997, February). *Basics of peer coaching*. Presentation for Beverley Hills Community Preschool, Alexandria, VA.
- Moherek, K.** (1997, January) *How to play with kids – A workshop for parents*. Presentation for Meeting House Cooperative Preschool, Alexandria, VA.
- Moherek, K.** (1995, November). *Language facilitation in preschool classrooms*. Presentation for Meeting House Cooperative Preschool, Alexandria, VA.
- Moherek, K.** (1995, August). *Creative classroom environments*. Presentation for First Baptist Preschool Program, Alexandria, VA.
- Moherek, K.** (1993, October). *Time management*. Presentation at Jefferson Houston Elementary School faculty meeting, Alexandria, VA.
- Moherek, K.** (1992, November). *Preschool special education—What is it?* Presentation at Jefferson Houston Elementary School faculty meeting, Alexandria, VA.
- Moherek, K.** (1991, November). *Childhood should be a journey...Not a race*. Presentation at Jefferson Houston Elementary School faculty meeting, Alexandria, VA.

UNIVERSITY TEACHING EXPERIENCE

George Mason University 2010-2013; 2016-present
College of Education and Human Development, Division of Child, Family, and Community Engagement, Early Childhood Special Education Program, Fairfax, VA

Courses taught:

Introduction to Early Childhood Special Education (live and asynchronous)
Policy Perspectives Affecting Diverse Young Learners and Their Families
Early Intervention for Infants and Toddlers with Disabilities: Collaborative and Consultative Approaches (live and hybrid)
Families of Children with Special Needs
Curriculum and Methods Early Childhood Special Education/ Curriculum and Instruction for Diverse Learners
Medical and Developmental Aspects of Disabilities of Diverse Young Learners
Individual and Family Development
Internship in Early Childhood Special Education Birth-Five (University Supervisor)

Old Dominion University 2002-2007
School of Education, Department of Early Childhood, Speech Language Pathology, and Special Education, Norfolk, VA

Courses taught:

Foundations, Legal, and Ethical Aspects in General and Special Education (virtual)
Fundamentals of Human Growth and Development (live and asynchronous)
Medical Aspects of Disabling Conditions
Collaboration and Consultation for Students with Diverse Learning Needs
Developmental & Ecological Assessment Strategies
Infant/Family Intervention and Teamwork
Curriculum and Instruction: Research Into Practice (co-taught with Robert A. Gable, Ph.D)

The George Washington University 1999-2000
Graduate School of Education and Human Development, Department of Teacher Preparation and Special Education, Washington, DC

Courses taught:

Practicum: Methods and Materials for Young Children with Disabilities
Formal Assessment of Young Children with Disabilities
Etiology, Symptomatology, and Approaches to Intervention with Children with Disabilities
Internship: Teaching Young Children with Disabilities

SERVICE TO PROFESSION

Professional Associations

2019	Policy Strand Co-Chair; 2019 Annual International Conference, The Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children
2019	Proposal Reviewer, 2019 Council for Exceptional Children Conference and Expo.
2018	Monograph Reviewer, DEC Recommended Practices Monograph on Teaming and Collaboration, The Division for Exceptional Children, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children
2018	Proposal Reviewer, 2018 Council for Exceptional Children Conference and Expo.
2018	Proposal Reviewer, 2018 Annual International Conference, The Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children
2016-2018	Advocacy Team Leader and Children Advocacy Network (CAN) Coordinator, Policy and Advocacy Council of The Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children
2018	Proposal Reviewer, 2018 Annual International Conference, The Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children
2017-2018	Virginia Subdivision of The Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children (VA-DEC) By-Laws Committee Chairperson
2013-2017	Co-Leader, Leadership Special Interest Group (SIG), The Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children
2017	Proposal Reviewer, 2017 Annual International Conference, The Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children
2016	Special Interest Group representative to the DEC Conference Committee of the 2016 Annual International Conference, The Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children
2016	Proposal Reviewer, 2016 Annual International Conference, The Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children
2015-2016	Past-Chair, National Special Interest Groups (SIG), the Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children
2015-2016	Member, National Association for Family, School, and Community Engagement
2015	Proposal Reviewer, 2015 Annual International Conference, The Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children
2014-2015	Member, Executive Board Recommended Practices Adhoc Workgroup, The Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children
2014-2015	Chair, National Special Interest Groups (SIG), the Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children
2014	Proposal Reviewer, 2014 Annual International Conference, the Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children
2013	Proposal Reviewer, 2013 Annual International Conference, the Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children
2012-2014	Member, Northern Virginia Inclusive Practices Learning Community
2011-2014	Member, Northern Virginia Regional Child Find Community of Practice

- 2010 Proposal Reviewer, 2010 Annual International Conference, the Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children
- 2007 Proposal Reviewer, 2007 Annual International Conference, the Division for Early Childhood, a Division of the Council for Exceptional Children

Community Service to the Profession

- 2020-present Reviewer, *Young Exceptional Children*
- 2019-present Guest Reviewer, *Infants and Young Children*
- 2018-present Co-facilitator of the Northern Region of the Virginia Cross Sector Professional Development (VCPD) team
- 2017-present Virginia State Inclusive Practices Taskforce member, Virginia Cross Sector Professional Development (VCPD)
- 2017 Book Reviewer, *Children with Disabilities*, Brookes Publishing
- 2016-present Advisory Board Member, Division for Child, Family, & Community Engagement, George Mason University, Fairfax, VA
- 2016-present Member, Northern Virginia Regional Child Find Community of Practice
- 2006-2009 Advisory Board Member for Project Forum@NASDSE
- 2006 Book Reviewer, *Special Education*, Wadsworth Publishing
- 2000-2001 President, Board of Directors for Children Together, Alexandria, VA
- 1999-2000 Vice-President, Board of Directors for Children Together, Alexandria, VA
- 1997-1999 Treasurer, Board of Directors for Children Together, Alexandria, VA
- 1996-1998 Member, Board of Directors, Old Presbyterian Meeting House Preschool, Alexandria, VA
- 1996-1997 Member, Board of Directors, Children Together, Alexandria, VA
- 1995-1998 Student Teacher Supervisor / Mentor, Alexandria City Public Schools, Alexandria, VA
- 1993-1995 Co-Chair, Alexandria City Public Schools Staff Development Committee, Alexandria, VA

Supplemental professional roles

- 2019 Online Course Designer, Goodwin College, Hartford, CT
- 2018 Online Course Evaluator, Goodwin College, Hartford, CT.
- 2010-2012 Star Quality Rater for the Virginia Star Quality Initiative: A Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS)
- 2002 Grant Reviewer, North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Exceptional Children Division, School Renovation, IDEA and Technology grants
- 2001 State Alignment Planning Team Facilitator, National Symposium: Policy and Practice to Ensure High Quality Teachers for Children and Youth with Disabilities for the National Clearinghouse for Professions in Special Education

FELLOWSHIPS

- 1999-2000 National Association of State Directors of Special Education Past-President Fellow

CERTIFICATIONS

Virginia Postgraduate Professional License; Early Childhood Special Education 1991-2006

HONORS

2019 Phi Delta Kappa Distinguished Educator
1999 The Arc-Riggs Bank Educational Leadership Award
1997 Council for Exceptional Children Professionally Recognized Special Educator
1996 Phi Delta Kappa Inductee, professional association of educators
1995 Harry S. Burke Special Educator of the Year nominee

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Council for Exceptional Children: Division for Early Childhood
National Association for the Education of Young Children
National Association for Family, School, and Community Engagement
Phi Delta Kappa

SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

Lake Braddock Baseball Fundraising Chair (2019-present)
Lake Braddock Athletic Boosters (2018-present)
Aiea Little League Volunteer (2014 – 2016)
West Springfield Little League Volunteer (2010-2014; 2016-17)
Cherry Run Elementary School PTA board member (2009-2014); classroom volunteer (2009-2014); new families coordinator (2011-12); parent education committee chairperson (2009-2010)
Scrapbooking Group Coordinator (2010-2013)
West Kempsville Youth Association Volunteer (2007-2009)