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EDUCATION

Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX

MS in Interdisciplinary Studies, Human Development/Family Studies, Sociology, Psychology & Early Childhood Education

Thesis title: The process of language socialization: A comparative look at Hispanic and Anglo families with toddlers.

Brief Abstract: Distinct differences between groups were discovered in interaction styles; especially noted were the teaching and praise behaviors which were more common for Hispanic versus Anglo parents.

Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX

BS in Human Development and Family Studies, emphasis in Child Development

Minor in Spanish

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Professor of Child Development, Education and Early Childhood Education

Dallas County Community College District, Brookhaven College; Farmers Branch, TX

Courses taught:

Introduction to Education

Introduction to Early Childhood Education

Introduction to Special Populations

Families, Schools & Communities

Child Growth & Development

Wellness of the Young Child,

Emergent Literacy

Math/Science for the Young Child

Creative Arts

Child Guidance

Child Abuse & Neglect

Child Development Associate Preparation Courses (a three course series, CDA I, II & II)

Administration of Child Care and Early Childhood Programs (a three course series, Admin. I, II & III)

Curriculum and Resources for Young Children

Supervision of students in both Practicum and Internships in Early Childhood Programs

Curricula Development: I have taught and developed several on-line courses for our program.

I have supervised and trained adjunct faculty in teaching on-line courses. I have revised and

updated each of the syllabi in our program inventory to align with NAEYC accreditation standards of Associate Degree Programs.

Grant work: Assist in procuring grants from Worksolutions of Dallas County and assisted in record keeping and reporting to the grant funders. Assisted with procurement of the Children's Learning Institute (CLI) Grant from University of Texas-Houston.

Community Relations: Actively work with our community advisory board, Head Start of Greater Dallas, Child Care group, and other child care programs in staying connected in meeting the community needs.

Bilingual Teacher

Irving Independent School District, Lee Britain Elementary; Irving, TX

Taught Kindergarten for Irving ISD

Served as Grade-Level co-chair

Served on Campus Improvement Committee

Served on the district's committee for revising the Kindergarten and 1st Grade Report Cards

Served on teacher hiring committees

Served as a mentor for new teachers to IISD and to Kindergarten

Adjunct Faculty in Child Development

South Plains College, Lubbock, TX

Prepared own syllabus

Courses taught:

Health, Safety & Nutrition

Math/Science for the Young Children

Instructor in Human Development

Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX

Courses taught:

Cross-Cultural Perspectives in Human Development

Preparing Environments for the Young Child

Child Life Specialist II

Texas Tech University Child Development Research Center, Lubbock, TX

Infant/Toddler teacher for the University lab school.

Supervised assistant teachers and college students in the classroom setting with infants and toddlers.

Provide guidance and resources to students in planning and implementing experiences with infants and toddlers.

Education Coordinator

Texas Migrant Head Start, Lubbock, TX

Supervise all infant, toddler and preschool classroom teachers in maintaining Head Start Education standards.

Provide support, training and assistance to teachers in maintaining a fully functional program.

Assist the Center Director in the management of record keeping and day to day optimal functioning of the program

Teacher III

Texas Migrant Head Start, Lubbock, TX

Preschool classroom teacher for Migrant Head Start

Assistant Teacher

Texas Tech University Child Development Research Center, Lubbock Texas

Assist with the day to day running of classroom functioning for various ages, infant through pre-school

Children's Church Teacher

New Life Church, Ralls, TX

Prepared my own curriculum with little to no resources

Devised various active learning and interactive lessons, with no training in Early Childhood techniques

I was responsible for multi-age children Kindergarten through 3rd Grade

TRAINING EXPERIENCE

Head Start National Conference

Dallas Texas

I Still Have a Dream: Race & Ethnic Identity in Young Children

Texas AEYC

Conference in Corpus Christi

I Still have a dream: Ethnic Identity in young children

Head Start of Greater Dallas, Inc

Workshop topics:

Culture & Diversity

Child Guidance

Professionalism

Racism in the classroom

English Language Learners & Techniques

Brookhaven College Child Care Training, Farmers Branch, TX

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Conducted sessions on:
Guidance and Brain Development
Biting in the infant classroom
Storytelling
Race in the classroom

Flower Mound, Texas A support group for twins and multiples
Conducted a session on the effects of temperament on parents

Carrollton-Farmers Branch ISD, Farmers Branch, TX
Conducted sessions for a group of teen mothers and some fathers on:
Temperament
Things to do to support your infant's development

Irving ISD, Irving, TX
Conducted a session for preschool parents in IISD on What to expect in Kindergarten?

Early Head Start, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX
Conducted a session for parents on Why do they bite?

Child Care Group, Dallas, TX
Conducted sessions for their staff development on:
Literacy for School age Children
Various sessions on English Language Learners
Culture & Diversity
Child guidance

Lee Britain Elementary, Irving, Texas
Trainer/Consultant
Provided training to new teachers regarding Classroom Management
Assisted with planning and cooperative teaching for Kindergarten Teachers
Assisted principal in assessing developmentally appropriateness of the Kindergarten classrooms

Early Head Start, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX
Trainer/Consultant
Conducted a 2 hour session on Parent Partnerships in regard to Head Start Policy and Practice
Follow-up visits to work with staff with the initial start-up of the program

South Plains Child Care Management Services, Lubbock, TX
Consultant for the Infant/Toddler Track
Conducted various CEU sessions throughout the year in the areas of:
Developmentally Appropriate Practice for the infant classroom
Media and the infant classroom
Guidance strategies
Working with parents

Ethics and Professionalism
Activities for infants and toddlers

Regional Family Day Home Association, Lubbock, TX
Conducted a session on:
Language Interaction Strategies

South Plains Association for Young Children, Lubbock, TX
Conducted sessions on:
Race and Identity
Multi-cultural classrooms
Planning experiences for infants/toddlers

Head Start Technical Assistance Service Center, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX
Consultant on language development and language interaction strategies for AVANCE in San Antonio, TX

LICENSES / CERTIFICATION

Texas Teaching Certificate, Bilingual K-6th Grade

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Member of NAEYC
Active member of the South Plains AEYC
Active member of the Faculty Association, local level
Child Development Educators Association of Texas

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Part of the Head Start SPARC Literacy team with Child Care group
Member of the Campus Improvement Committee in a local Elementary School
Treasurer and Treasurer-elect for the South Plains AEYC
Served on the Spring Conference committee for the local AEYC affiliate in South Plains
Co-chair for the Fall Conference of the local AEYC (South Plains) the conference topic was Young Children & Violence. We secured various professionals, psychologists, professors and teachers to discuss issues of violence, as a result of the Oklahoma City Bombing.
Volunteer Story Teller at Lee Britain Elementary, Irving, TX and Brookhaven Head Start, Farmers Branch, Texas
Volunteer in the classrooms at the Brookhaven Head Start, Farmers Branch, TX
Serve as a resource, support and trainer for Brookhaven Head Start, Farmers Branch, TX

COLLEGE SERVICE

I have served on various search committees, including faculty, dean and President

I chaired the Government Search committee

Was co-chair of a substantial college committee, which was grant funded by the Lumina Foundation; Achieving the Dream

Member of the Faculty Council & Faculty Association

Volunteer for various special college events, award ceremonies, luncheons, etc.

Advise and register students in the Child Development and Education programs

Co-mentored a visiting scholar

Conducted a session with a Sociology Colleague on Race Relations for the Brookhaven Community