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Education

- Ed.S., Career and Technical Education, School of Education, University of Wisconsin-Stout, anticipated graduation date of Summer 2009.
- Thesis: Perceptions of Instructors in Distance Education, Research Chair: Howard D. Lee.
- Certificate of E-Learning and Online Teaching Certificate, University of Wisconsin-Stout, April 2008
- M. A. Education, with honors, University of St. Mary's University Twin Cities, MN, 2002.
- Thesis: Providing a Meaningful and Empowering Experience for All Learners, While Schools are Growing More Diverse, Chair: Stephen Schroeder-Davis.
- B.S. Elementary Education, cum laude, Saint Cloud State University, 1998.
- Minor: Biology
- Middle School Concentration Specialist: English/Language Arts and Social Studies

Teaching Experience

- University of Wisconsin-Stout: Co-Facilitated Online Courses as Graduate Assistant, Fall and Spring 2008-2009:
 - CTE-302 Principles CTET
 - CTE-405 Methods of Teaching CTET
 - CTE-438 Course Construction for CTET
 - CTE-334 Performance Analysis
- University of Wisconsin – Stout: Co-Facilitated Online Course:
 - Teaching and Assessing with the Six-Traits, Elementary through High School, Spring 2008
- Director and Preschool Teacher, First Lutheran Preschool, 2006-2008.
 - Ages 2 ½ through Pre-Kindergarten
- Elementary and Middle School Teacher, Wayzata Public Schools-Independent School District 284, Wayzata, MN 1999-2005.
 - Grades Levels Taught: Fourth, Fifth, and Sixth Grade
- Middle School Teacher, Mounds View Public Schools-Independent School District 621, Mounds View, MN 1999.
 - Grade Levels Taught: Seventh and Eighth grade Math and Science

Honors

- Masters Degree earned with Honors 2002.
- Undergraduate degree earned Cum Laude 1998.
- Student-Athlete Honor Roll 1996-1997

**Service,
Advising, and
Mentoring**

Service

- Student Ambassador, School of Education, University of Wisconsin-Stout 2008
- Council Representative, School of Education, University of Wisconsin-Stout 2009-present
- Interviewer for Benchmark Interviews for School of Education 2009-present

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Advising, and
Mentoring cont.**

Student Advising and Mentoring

- Interim Program Director for BS degree in Career, Technical Education and Training 2009-present
- B.S. Career, Technical Education and Training Advisory Committee 2009-present
- Peer Advisor for Pre-Elementary Education, Saint Cloud State University, 1995-1997
- Conducted seminars and workshops mentoring students in program plans and evaluations, St. Cloud State University, 1995-1997

**Professional
Memberships**

- WACTE, Wisconsin Association for Career and Technical Education
- ACTE, Association for Career and Technical Education
- SCACTE, Stout Community Association for Career and Technical Education
- Phi Delta Kappa
- Membership Vice President of MOMS Club International Eau Claire-North Chapter (2006)
- MEA: Minnesota Education Association (1997-2005)
- Secretary of building Differentiation Committee
- Secretary of building Professional Development Committee
- Member of district Professional Development Committee
- Member of Diversity Committee
- Coordinator and member of Restitution Committee

**Certification
Experience**

- Course work in Research and Development, Curriculum Design, and Leadership Development
- Minnesota State Teaching License
- Certificate to teach English at the Middle School level
- Certificate to teach Social Studies at the Middle School level
- Selected Participant in Differentiation Conference in Virginia
- Participant and Facilitator for Seeking Educational Equality and Diversity (SEED)

Presentations

- New teacher Workshop presenter on Differentiation Strategies, Portfolios and Resumes for Wayzata Public Schools
- Developed, implemented, and coordinated presentations for curriculum and instruction
- Professional Development presenter on Restitution, for Wayzata Public Schools
- Professional Development presenter on Diversity, for Wayzata Public Schools

**Skills and
Qualifications**

- Ability to provide leadership in curriculum and instruction
- Designed training content for district-wide implementation of new science curriculum
- Coordinated various training initiatives to promote on-going professional development and goal setting for staff
- Created tools and coordinated related presentations, discussions, and meetings with district administration, colleagues, and community members
- Demonstrate initiative, responsibility, and commitment to education
- Continually studying and evaluating best practices in education
- Proficient in Microsoft Office (Word, Works, and Excel)
- Proficient in Hyper studio and Power Point Programs
- Proficient using smart board, scanners, and digital cameras
- Training in Web Design and HTML

**Professional
Development**

- National ACTE conference in Charlotte, North Carolina attendee
- State WACTE conference in Appleton, WI attendee
- Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) Workshop attendee

References

- Available on request