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# **EDUCATION**

## University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida

Ph.D., Curriculum and Instruction, August 2013Major: Literacy StudiesMinor: Educational PsychologyDissertation: Playing in Trelis Weyr: Investigating Collaborative Authorship in a Dragons ofPern Role-Play-Game Forum

Master's coursework in Reading and Literacy Studies (18 hours), 4.0 GPA, 2008 - 2009

M.A., Library and Information Science, May 1997 Concentration: Instruction Technology

### Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah

B.S., Elementary Education, April 1984 Minors: Social Studies, English

# **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, Mississippi-August 2019 to present** Associate Professor, Middle Level Literacy Education, Department of Curriculum, Instruction, and Special Education

**Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, Mississippi-August 2013 to July 2019** Assistant Professor, Middle Level Literacy Education, Department of Curriculum, Instruction, and Special Education

University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida-August 2010 to May 2013 Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Childhood Education and Literacy Studies Faculty Development Liaison, Online Instruction, Department of Childhood Education & Literacy Studies

Product Design & Development Team Member, Florida Center for Instructional Technology

**Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida-January 2009 to May 2013** Adjunct Instructor, Department of Information Science, College of Communications and Information

## School Board of Manatee County, Bradenton, FL-August 1991 to May 2013

Teacher of Reading, Critical Thinking, Video Production, middle and high school level Library Media Specialist, Instructional Technology Specialist, K-12 District Instructional Technology Specialist

## Duval County School Board, Jacksonville, FL-August 1985 to May 1991

Teacher, 2nd Grade, 3rd Grade Library Media Specialist, Instructional Technology Specialist, K-8

# HONORS and AWARDS

Education Policy Fellowship Program
1 of 20 scholars to participate in Mississippi EPFP program, a Professional
Learning Community on education policy at the state and national level. Traveled
to Washington, DC for national conference and network with legislators.
American Youth Policy Forum
1 of 15 scholars to participate in Mississippi AYPF program, a Professional
Learning Community on youth policy and programs. Traveled with delegation to
Washington, DC to visit alternative school settings and network with leaders.
J. Michael Parker Research Award, Literacy Research Association
Awarded for research/writing addressing adult literacy/language development
and instruction. Literacy Research Association conference (\$500 and plaque).
Leslie C. Robbins Dean's Academic Excellence Award
University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida
Fulbright Memorial Fund (FMF) Teacher Program to Japan
One of 200 scholars selected in a national application process to travel to Japan.
Florida Cable Association Teacher Award
Outstanding K-12 educator
Arts and Entertainment Network Teacher Grant Competition
Outstanding K-12 educator
Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi
University of South Florida chapter, Tampa, Florida
Time Warner Cable Crystal Apple National Teacher Award
Outstanding K-12 educator
Presidential Scholarship for Academic Excellence
Full tuition, Brigham Young University

# **PROFESSIONAL LICENSES and CERTIFICATIONS**

# **PUBLICATIONS**

#### **Peer Reviewed Journal Articles**

- Alley, K. M. (2019). Fostering middle school students' autonomy to support motivation and engagement. *Middle School Journal, 50*(3), 5-14.
- Cole, K., Alley, K. M., & Brenner, D. (2018). Three teachers, three outcomes: Alternatively certified literacy teachers and their use of mentoring and support. *Journal of the National Association of Alternative Education*, *13*(2), 18-38.
- Alley, K. M. (2018). Picturing school: Middle school students' perceptions of what supports and hinders their achievement. *Middle Grades Research Journal*, 12(1), 67-81.
- Alley, K. M. (2018). The roles we played: Exploring intimacy in research. *The Qualitative Report*, 23(6), 1470-1482. Retrieved from https://nsuworks.nova.edu/tqr/vol23/iss6/13
- Alley, K. M., & King, J. (2018). Re-imagining collaborative composing: Insights from a textbased role-play-game forum. *Journal of Literacy & Technology*, *19*(1), 93-145.
- Alley, K. M., Hopper, P. F., & Cherner, T. (2017). Analyzing Apps for Content-Area Literacy Attributes: An Exploratory Study. *National FORUM of Applied Educational Research Journal*, 30(3), 1-18.
- Kiefer, S. M., Alley, K. M., Ellerbrock, C. R. (2015). Teacher and peer support for young adolescents' motivation, engagement, and school belonging. *Research in Middle Level Education Online*, 38(8), 1-18. doi 10.1080/19404476.2015.11641184
- Peterson, B. J., Gunn, A. A., & Alley, K. M. (2015). Exploring names and identity through multicultural literature in K-8 Classrooms. *Multicultural Perspectives*, 17(1), 39-45. doi 10.1080/15210960.2015.994434
- Ellerbrock, C. R., Kiefer, S. M., & Alley, K. M. (2014). School-based Interpersonal Relationships: Setting the Foundation for Young Adolescents' Belonging in Middle School. *Middle Grades Research Journal*, 9(2), 1-17.
- Kiefer, S. M., Ellerbrock, C. R., & Alley, K. M. (2014). The role of responsive teacher practices in supporting academic motivation at the middle level. *Research in Middle Level Education Online*, 38(1), 1-16. doi 10.1080/19404476.2014.11462114

#### Peer Reviewed Journal Articles, In Press

Bennett, S., Gunn, A. M., **Alley, K. M**., Barrera, E., Cantrell, S., Monre, L., & Welsh, J. (in press). Revisiting culturally responsive teaching in an early childhood setting. Manuscript submitted for publication to *Early Childhood Education Journal*.

#### **Books**

Alley, K. M. (2008). *Teaching integrated reading strategies in the middle school library media center*. Santa Barbara, CA: Libraries Unlimited/ABC-CLIO.

### Peer Reviewed Book Chapters

- Alley, K. M., & Peterson, B. (2016). Ideas as a springboard for writing in k-8 classrooms. In E. Ortlieb, E. Cheek, and W. Verlean (Eds.). *Writing instruction to support literacy success*. New York, NY: Emerald Publishing Group.
- Alley, K. M., & King, J. R. (2015). Capturing Quality Practice: Annotated Video-Based Portfolios and Graduate Students' Reflective Thinking. In E. Ortlieb, L. Shanahan, and M. McVee (Eds.). Video Reflection in Literacy Teacher Education and Development: Lessons from Research and Practice. New York, NY: Emerald Publishing Group.
- Alley, K. M. (2014). Using mentor texts to write personal narrative small moment stories. In J.J. Schneider (Ed.). *Casework in K-6 writing instruction: Connecting composing strategies, digital literacies, and disciplinary content to the Common Core.* New York, NY: Peter Lang.

#### Peer Reviewed Book Chapters, In Press

Alley, K. M., & Skrobot, C. R. (in press). High anxiety: A collaborative auto-ethnographic inquiry. In S. Abrams, M. B. Schaefer, and D. Ness (Eds.). *Parent-child research reimagined*. New Milford, CT: Sense Publishing.

### **Other Publication**

Bishop, P., Alley, K., Andrews, G., Cronenberg, S., Falk-Ross, F., Miller, N. C., Moran, C., Nelson, E., & Weiler, C. (2016). Digital technologies. In S. B. Mertens, M. M. Caskey, P. Bishop, N. Flowers, D. Strahan, D., G. Andrews, & L. Daniel (Eds.), *The MLER SIG research agenda* (pp. 23-25). Retrieved from http://mlersig.net/mler-sig-research-agendaproject/

# **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

### RESEARCH

- International / National (all are refereed, unless otherwise noted)
- Alley, K. M., & Lemley, S. M. (December, 2019). *Advancing adolescent literature discussions one tweet at a time*. To be presented at the annual meeting of the Literacy Research Association, Tampa, FL.
- Slater, L., **Alley, K. M.**, Brenner, D. (December 2019). *Exploring elementary ELA teachers' writing assessment practices using a visible levels of literacy learning framework*. To be presented at the annual meeting of the Literacy Research Association, Tampa, FL.

- Bennet, S. V., Smith, P., Cantrell, S., Barrera, E. S., Gunn, A. A., & Alley, K. M. (December, 2019). *Applying for higher education careers: Navigating the high-stakes job market*. To be presented at the annual meeting of the Literacy Research Association, Tampa, FL.
- Alley, K. M., & Brenner, D. (December, 2018). *Rural teacher candidates' constructed identified.* To be presented at the annual meeting of the Literacy Research Association, Indian Wells, CA.
- Schneider, J., & Alley, K. M. (December, 2018). *Twelve angry moms: Positioned against ourselves as parents and literacy educators*. To be presented at the annual meeting of the Literacy Research Association, Indian Wells, CA.
- Alley, K. M. (December, 2017). *Filling their toolbox: Investigating the ways a month-long professional development supported and refined teachers' knowledge and skills to use content literacy strategies.* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Literacy Research Association Conference, Tampa, FL.
- Alley, K. M. (December, 2017). The roles we play: Exploring intimacy in research. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Literacy Research Association Conference, Tampa, FL.
- Cole, K., Alley, K. M., & Brenner, D. (December, 2017). *Three teachers, three outcomes: Alternatively certified literacy teachers and their use of mentoring and support.* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Literacy Research Association, Tampa, FL
- Alley, K. M., & Peterson, B. (July, 2017). *Got ideas? Exploring research on K-8 students' idea generation and instructional facilitation of ideas for writing quality.* Poster presented at the annual meeting of the International Literacy Association, Orlando, FL.
- Miller, N., Thompson, N., & Alley, K. M. (April, 2017). You have to know it to teach it: Preparing middle level teacher candidates to better engage young adolescents with technology- a cognitive apprenticeship model. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association, San Antonio, TX.
- Alley, K. M. (April, 2017). *Picturing school: Exploring middle school students' perceptions of what supports and hinders academic success*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association, San Antonio, TX.
- Alley, K. M. (October, 2016). The Middle Level Education Research SIG Presents A New Agenda for Middle Level Education Research. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Middle Level Education, Symposium on Excellence in Teacher Preparation, Austin, TX.
- Alley, K. M. (April, 2016). *How playfulness, popular culture, and support of psychological needs sustain adolescents' online writing.* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association, Washington, DC.

- Alley, K. M., & King, J.R. (December, 2015). *Re-imagining collaborative composing: Insights from a text-based role-play game forum.* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Literacy Research Association, Carlsbad, CA.
- Davidson, S., Alley, K. M., Brenner, D. (December, 2015). *Reading comprehension assessment in the context of RtI: Mismatch with ILA standards for literacy assessment*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Literacy Research Association, Carlsbad, CA.
- Alley, K., & Miller, N. C. (October, 2015). Filling their toolbox: Professional Development to Support Evidence-Based Instructional Strategies Familiarity and Use in the Middle Level Classroom. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Middle Level Education, Symposium of the National Professors of Middle Level Education, Columbus, OH.
- Alley, K. M. (October, 2015). *Resources in middle level education*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Middle Level Educators, Symposium of the National Professors of Middle Level Education, Columbus, OH.
- Alley, K. M., & Peterson, B. J. (November, 2014). *Ideas as a springboard for writing in the dialogic space of the classroom.* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Literacy Research Association, Marco Island, FL.
- Bennett, S.M., & Alley, K. M. (November, 2014). Intent and outcomes: Understanding the limited impact of three semesters of literacy methods coursework. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Middle Level Education, Symposium of the National Professors of Middle Level Education, Nashville, TN.
- Alley, K. M., Miller, N. C., & Brenner, D. (October, 2014). Academic social networking: Advancing meaningful discussion one tweet at a time. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the National Rural Education Association, San Antonio, TX.
- Miller, N.C, & Alley, K. M., Brenner, D. (October, 2014). *Beyond the PLC: Professional learning networks for rural educators.* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the National Rural Education Association, San Antonio, TX.
- Kiefer, S. M., Alley, K. M., & Ellerbrock, C. R. (April, 2014). *The role of teachers and peers in supporting early adolescent academic motivation, engagement, and school belonging*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association, Philadelphia, PN.
- Alley, K. M. (November, 2013). *Playing in Pern: Investigating collaborative authorship in a Dragons of Pern text-based role-play-game forum.* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Literacy Research Association, Dallas, TX.

- Alley, K. M. (November, 2013). Autonomy-supportive instruction and classroom environments: The key to adolescents' motivation. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Literacy Research Association, Dallas, TX.
- Peterson, B. J., **Alley, K. M.** (November, 2013). *Ideas as a springboard for writing: Challenges of choice, complexity, and control.* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Literacy Research Association, Dallas, TX.
- Alley, K. M. (April, 2012). *Autonomy-supportive teaching and classroom environments: The key to student motivation*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association, Vancouver, BC.
- Schneider, J., Alley, K. M., Gelfuso, A., Hertzhauer, B., Peterson, B., & Welsh, J. (December, 2010). Are we using the "right" traits? A review of the research on 6+1 traits. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Reading Forum, Sanibel, FL.

#### Regional

- Alley, K. M. (November, 2017). Advancing discussion one tweet at a time: Using Twitter with teacher candidates. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Mid-South Educational Research Association, Starkville, MS.
- Brenner, D., Alley, K. M., Javorsky, K., Rust, J., & Mott, M. (November, 2017). *State policy and MSERA members: Discussions about engagement and advocacy*. Symposium presentation at the annual meeting of the Mid-South Educational Research Association, Starkville, MS.

#### **State and Local**

- Alley, K. M., & Smith, K. (November, 2019). Using Brain-Powered Instructional Strategies to Engage Learners. Presentation provided at the annual meeting of the Mississippi Literacy Association, Biloxi, MS.
- Alley, K. M. (March, 2013). *Autonomy-supportive instruction and classroom environments*. Poster presented at the 2013 Interactive NCATE Exhibit, University of South Florida.
- Alley, K. M. (November, 2012). *Autonomy-supportive teaching practices*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Florida Educational Research Association, Gainesville, FL.
- Kiefer, S., Wagner, K., **Alley, K. M.** & Adams, C. (2012). *Adolescent motivation*. Presented at the School Psychology Colloquium, USF, Tampa, FL. (invited)
- Peterson, B., & Alley, K. M. (November, 2011). *Ideas as a springboard for writing: challenges of choice, complexity and control.* Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Florida Educational Research Association, Orlando, FL.
- Alley, K. M., & Peterson, B. (September, 2011). *Got ideas? Mentoring texts as inspiration for students' writing across the curriculum.* Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Florida Reading Association, Orlando, FL.

Peterson, B., & **Alley, K. M.** (September, 2011). *Literature as a Springboard for Idea Development: Strategies for Instruction.* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Florida Reading Association, Orlando, FL.

## PRACTITIONER

#### National

- Alley, K. M. (December, 2017). *Crafting multiple research articles from a dissertation*. Presented at the annual meeting of the Literacy Research Association, Tampa, FL.
- Peterson, B., & **Alley, K. M.** (July, 2017). *Ode to a toad? Science and poetry pairings for integrated learning in K-8 classrooms.* Presented at the annual meeting of the International Literacy Association, Orlando, FL.
- Alley, K. M. (December, 2017). *Publicly engaged scholars and literacy research*. Presented at the annual meeting of the Literacy Research Association, Tampa, FL.
- Franz, D.P., Bennett, S. M., Ryther, C., Brocato, K., Alley, K., & Elbert, T. (October, 2015). *The face of education in the rural south.* Presented at the annual meeting of the National Rural Education Association, St. Louis, MO.
- Alley, K. M. (October, 2015). *New directions in middle level education research*. Presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Middle Level Education, Columbus, OH.
- Alley, K. M. (October, 2015). *Convince me! Crafting a strong argument essay*. Presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Middle Level Education, Columbus, OH.
- Alley, K. M. (November, 2014). Using Twitter to support students' discussion about literature. Presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Middle Level Education, Nashville, TN.
- **Bennett, S.M.**, Alley, K., Canady, J., Powell, R., & Wofford, J. (May, 2014). *Bridging the gap between content-area literacy and disciplinary literacy*. Presented at the annual meeting of the International Reading Association, New Orleans, LA.

#### <u>State</u>

- Alley, K. M. (October, 2019). Using brain-powered instructional strategies to engage learners. Presented at the annual meeting of the Mississippi Association for Middle Level Education, Natchez, MS.
- Alley, K. M. (December, 2017). *Write in the middle: Writing strategies that work*. Presented at the annual meeting of the Mississippi Association for Middle Level Education, Bay St. Louis, MS.
- Alley, K. M. (February, 2016). *Student discussion, one tweet at a time*. Presented at the annual meeting of the Mississippi Association for Middle Level Education, Hattiesburg, MS.

- Alley, K. M. (February, 2015). *Argumentative writing instruction*. Presented at the annual meeting of the Mississippi Association for Middle Level Education, Vicksburg, MS.
- Alley, K. M., Miller, N. (February, 2015). 25 in 25: Using Web 2.0 tools in the classroom. Presented at the annual meeting of the Mississippi Association for Middle Level Education, Vicksburg, MS.
- Alley, K. M. (February, 2015). *Web 2.0 tools that support library instruction*. Presented at the annual meeting of the Mississippi Mega Resources Conference, Starkville, MS.

## **GUEST SPEAKER** (invited)

- Alley, K. M. (2018). *Being visual.* Guest speaker, Teaching Adolescent Literature, Ms. Nicole Dozier, Lecturer, Mississippi State University.
- Alley, K. M. (2018). *Teaching social justice issues using YA literature*. Guest speaker, Teaching Adolescent Literature, Ms. Erica Thomas, Lecturer, Mississippi State University.
- Alley, K. M. (2016). *Being a tenure-earning faculty member at a research-oriented institution*. Guest speaker, Educational Psychology Professional Seminar, Dr. Sarah Kiefer, Associate Professor, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL.
- Alley, K. M. (2016). *Passing the Foundations of Reading literacy exam: What you need to know*. Guest speaker, Senior Block English Language Arts Seminar, Dr. Stephanie Bennett, Assistant Professor, Mississippi State University.
- Alley, K. M. (2014). *Characters in the Wizard of Oz: A Community Book Discussion*. Guest speaker, *Starkville Reads* organization, Starkville Public Library, Starkville, MS.
- Alley, K. M. (2014). Engaging writing activities to support student learning in content areas. Guest speaker, MET-P Seminar, Dr. Melanie Boyle, Assistant Professor, Mississippi State University.
- Alley, K. M. (2014). Navigating life after the dissertation. Guest speaker, Educational Psychology Professional Seminar, Dr. Sarah Kiefer, Associate Professor, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL.
- Alley, K. M. (2012). *Atlas.ti as a qualitative research tool*. Guest speaker for the Adolescent Learning Lab, Dr. Cheryl Ellerbrock, primary investigator, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL.
- Alley, K. M. (2012). *Finding a lens to view what's going on: Identifying theoretical perspectives outside your discipline*. Guest speaker for EDF 7477: Qualitative Research in Education, Dr. Janet Richards, Professor, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL.

- Alley, K. M. (2012). *New and converging technologies*. Guest speaker for RED 7745: Research in Reading Instruction, Dr. James King, Professor, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL.
- Alley, K. M. (2012). Technology resources and integration using TPACK in Teacher Education. Presented at the Graduate Assistant Orientation, University of South Florida.
- Alley, K. M. (2012). Using digital tools for academic scholarship and professional development. Presented at the Graduate Assistant Orientation, University of South Florida.
- Alley, K. M. (2011). *Atlas.ti as a qualitative research tool*. Guest speaker, Adolescent Motivation and Development Research Lab, Dr. Sarah Kiefer, primary investigator, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL.
- Alley, K. M. (2011). *When literature is challenged: Policies that can help you survive*. Guest speaker for LAE 4414: Literature in Childhood Education, Anne Anderson, Instructor, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL.

# **GRANTS, FUNDED**

Title: SSILTT 2016/17: Science and Social Studies Integration with Literacy and Technology for Teacher
Funding: \$90,000
Investigators: PI, K. M. Alley; Co-PIs, M. Chappell, S. M. Lemley, N. C. Miller, K. V. Anthony, J. Osman
Source: Mississippi Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning. No Child Left Behind: Improving Teacher Quality Program
Timeline: 2016 – 2017

Title: *SSILTT 2015/16: Science and Social Studies Integration with Literacy and Technology for Teacher* Funding: \$90,000 Investigators: PI, **K. M. Alley;** Co-PIs, L. Slater, N. C. Miller, J. Osman Source: Mississippi Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning. No Child Left Behind: Improving Teacher Quality Program Timeline: 2015 – 2016

Title: SSILTT 2014/15: Science and Social Studies Integration with Literacy and Technology for Teacher
Funding: \$90,000
Investigators: PI, K. M. Alley; Co-PIs, M. Chappell, L. Slater, K. Anthony, J. Osman
Source: Mississippi Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning. No Child Left
Behind: Improving Teacher Quality Program
Timeline: 2014 – 2015

# TEACHING

Mississippi State University, May 2013 - Present *Courses Taught:* RDG 3413, Middle Level Literacy 1 RDG 3423, Middle Level Literacy 2 EDE 3233, Teaching Children's Literature EDE 3343, Teaching Adolescent Literature RDG 8713, Teaching Struggling Readers and Writers RDG 8113, Middle School Literacy Learners RDG 8123, Supporting Middle School Literacy Instruction EDE 8633, Teaching Writing K-8, 3 credits EDE/EDS 8662, Improving Instruction, spring 2015 (MSU Meridian)

#### **Professor of Record:**

RDG 3413: *Middle Level Literacy 1* (undergraduate), RDG 3423: *Middle Level Literacy 2* (undergraduate), EDE 3233: *Teaching Children's Literature* (undergraduate, 2013-2015), EDE 3343: *Teaching Adolescent Literature* (undergraduate), RDG 8713: *Teaching Struggling Readers and Writers* (graduate, 2013-2015), RDG 8113: *Middle School Literacy Learners* (alternate route graduate), RDG 8123: *Supporting Middle School Literacy Instruction* (alternate route graduate), EDE 8633: *Teaching Writing K-8* (graduate), EDE/EDS 8662: *Improving Instruction* (graduate).

Advise undergraduate and graduate elementary majors; supervise elementary education interns; chair and serve on Master's, Education Specialist's, and Doctoral degree committees.

#### **Mentoring and Advising**

#### Graduate Advising:

#### **Master of Science, Elementary Education**

Caitlin King-major professor, graduated Summer 2017 Rebecca Kellum- major professor, graduated 2017 Monica Nunn-major professor, graduated Fall 2016 Alexa Patterson, committee member, graduated 2014 Sarah Parker, committee member, graduated 2014 Nicole Hawkins, committee member, graduated 2014 Jasmine Jenkins-major professor, inactive Blakely Brendle – major professor, inactive Casey Priest – committee member, inactive

#### **Doctor of Philosophy, Curriculum and Instruction**

Sandy Davidson – co-major professor, graduated Dissertation defense: February 24, 2015 Title: *A case study of an elementary school's reading assessment practices while implementing Response to Intervention.* 

### Doctor of Philosophy, C & I (continued)

Manya Chappell – co-major professor, graduated Dissertation defense: September 26, 2017 Title: *Teacher's understandings and attitudes about argument and the effects of an extended professional development.* 

LaTonya Slater - major professor, graduated

Dissertation defense: February 11, 2019 Title: *Exploring elementary ELA teachers' writing assessment practices and factors influencing decision making.* 

Kathy Prater – major professor, coursework Kim Smith – major professor, coursework Brandi Sumrall – committee member, coursework Shane McGregor – committee member, ABD Daina Zhu – committee member, ABD Hu Nguyen – committee member, ABD Laura Hood – committee member, ABD Keri Tawater – committee member, ABD

## Undergraduate Advising:

I have advised over 300 undergraduate elementary education majors (2013 – present). I conduct initial advising sessions with students who are not yet admitted to Phase 2 (teacher education) over a two-week period each fall and spring. I work with the Academic Coordinator for the College of Education to keep my advisees CAPP compliances up to date. I typically process 400 advising emails over the course of a year, which include emails from my own advisees, email from faculty/staff asking advising questions, and email from prospective students.

## Advising Prospective Students:

I meet with prospective students and advised them about the elementary education program as well through recruitment events such as Academic Insight and fall and Spring Preview Days.

## **OTHER TEACHING**

### **Peer Mentoring:**

I provide peer mentoring for 12 assistant professors, instructors, lecturers, and adjuncts who teach the courses I am professor of record over, for both face to face classes on the Starkville and Meridian campuses, as well as for those teaching online. In this capacity, I meet regularly with faculty assigned to teach these classes, providing expertise and resources.

## **Teaching at Other Institutions:**

## University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida, 2010-2013

RED 4511, Linking Literacy Assessment to Instruction, Instructor LAE 4314, Teaching Writing, Instructor LAE 4414, Literature in Childhood Education, Instructor RED 6846, Practicum in Reading, Instructor

LAE 6315, Writers and Writing: Trends and Issues, Instructor

RED 6445, Literacy and Technology, Instructor

LAE 6316, Trends in Literature in a Diverse Society, Instructor

### Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida, 2009-2013

LIS 5441: Leadership in Reading, Instructor

### **Professional Development and Consultations Provided:**

2019	Nov, Makerspace support, Overstreet School
	Oct, Makerspace support, Overstreet School
	Oct, Dr. Willingham guest visit, MSU campus
	Sept, Makerspace support, Overstreet School
	May, Camp Inspire, Instructor for Teacher/Leaders and Students
	April, ELA Teachers, Field Experience Partnership, Overstreet School
	Mar, Read Across America Day, Henderson Ward-Stewart
	Feb, ELA Teachers, Field Experience Partnership, Overstreet School
	Feb, Teacher Education Council, school district / university meeting
	Feb, COE Recruiting
	Jan, Mtg. w/ grad students on dissertation writing
2018	May, Camp Inspire, Instructor for Teacher/Leaders and Students
	April, ELA Teachers, Field Experience Partnership, Overstreet School
	Mar, ELA Teachers, Field Experience Partnership, Overstreet School
	Feb, Mtg. w/ grad students on dissertation writing
	Feb, 3rd and 4th Grade Teachers, Field Experience Partnership, Ward-Stewart
	Elementary School
	Jan, Mtg. w/ grad students on dissertation writing
2017	Nov, ELA Teachers, Field Experience Partnership, 5th Street School
	Oct, ELA Teachers, Field Experience Partnership, 5th Street School
	Sept, Mtg. w/ grad students on dissertation writing
	Sept, Time Management, Middle Block Student Seminar
	Sept, ELA Teachers, Field Experience Partnership, 5th Street School
	Aug, Mtg. w/ ELA teachers, Field Experience Partnership, 5th Street School
	May, Mtg. w/ grad students on dissertation writing
	April, Vocabulary Strategies training, Armstrong MS (for after school program)
	Jan, Discussion w/ grad students, "How to Write a Successful LRA Proposal"
2016	Nov., Mtg. w/ grad students on dissertation writing
	Sept, SSILTT 2016 follow up meeting
	June, month-long professional development institute for middle level teachers,
	funded by SSILTT 2016 IHL grants.
	May, Henderson Writing Teachers, Mtg/Training
	April, Henderson Writing Teachers, Mtg/Training
	Mar, Henderson Writing Teachers, Mtg/Training

	Feb, Henderson Writing Teachers, Mtg/Training
2015	Nov, Mtg. w/ grad students on dissertation writing Oct, Mtg. w/ grad students on dissertation writing Sept, SSILTT 2015 follow up meeting Sept, Armstrong MS, ELA Teachers, In Class Observation/Assistance Aug, Henderson School training Aug, meeting with J. Middleton, individual training, writing instruction June, month-long professional development institute for middle level teachers, funded by SSILTT 2015 IHL grants May, Camp Inspire, Instructor for Teacher Leaders and Students May, Ward-Stewart training April, Mtg. w/ grad students on dissertation writing Mar, SSILTT 2014 spring follow up session Feb, Mega Resources Conference, Web 2.0 tools for librarians
2014	Oct, Lee Co, Guntown Middle School, Parent Meeting, CCSS Aug, Met with N. Dozier for individual training (ELA, Armstrong MS) June, CCSS ELA training for admin, teachers, and field experience supervisors for the Program of Research and Evaluation for Public Schools (PREPS) June, Provided month-long professional development institute or middle level teachers, funded by SSILTT 2014 IHL grants. Mar, Henderson Elementary Training, Writing Instruction Feb, Henderson Elementary Training, CCSS Feb, SSILTT 2013 follow up training
2013	Dec, Bankston Elementary School Training, Vocabulary Instruction Dec, Henderson Elementary Training, CCSS Nov, Bankston Elementary School Training, Close Reading and Writing Nov, met with teachers at Henderson Elementary Sept, met with Armstrong MS ELA teachers June & Aug, Ward-Stewart Elementary School Training, CCSS

# **ACADEMIC SERVICE**

## **National Service**

2017-present	Committee Member, Membership and Mentoring Committee, Middle
	Level Education Research Special Interest Group, American Educational
	Research Association
2016-present	Committee Member, J. Michael Parker Award for Adult Literacy
	Research Committee, Literacy Research Association
2014-2017	Advisory Board, Middle Level Education Research Special Interest
	Group, American Educational Research Association
2010-2011	Editorial Coordinator, Journal of Reading Education, research journal for
	the Organization of Teacher Educators in Reading

2001-2003	Committee Member, National Board Certification Committee, American
	Association of School Librarians

## **Editorial Review Board and/or Reviewer**

2016-present	Middle Grades Research Journal, Editorial Review Board
2014-present	Reading Horizons, Editorial Review Board
2010-2012	Journal of Reading Education, Editorial Coordinator
2014-present	Action in Teacher Education, reviewer
2014-present	Multicultural Perspectives, reviewer
2014-present	Research in Middle Level Education – Online, reviewer
2013-present	Middle School Journal, reviewer
2013-present	Journal of Literacy Research, reviewer
2010-2012	Journal of Reading Education, reviewer
2012 - present	Literacy Research Association Conference, reviewer
2012 - present	American Educational Research Association Conference, reviewer
State Service	
2016-present	Mississippi Higher Education Literacy Council, Member
2018-present	Mississippi Literacy Association, Member
2015-2017	Mississippi Association for Middle Level Educators, IHL Representative, Board Member
1999-2002	Florida Association for Media in Education, Executive Board Member
University, Colle	ge, and Department Service
2017 - present	Serving as senate representative for the College of Education, Robert
	Holland Faculty Senate (university)
2017-present	Serving as the Faculty Senate representative, Instructional Technology
	Advisory Council (university)
2015-2017	Served as the College of Education representative, Community
	Engagement Committee (university)
2018	Served on the CISE Department Search Committee, Elementary Education Online Program Coordinator Position (department)
	Served as a presenter / representative for the CISE Department, Academic Insight, College of Education (department)
2017-present	Serve as a member of the College of Education Diversity Committee
	(college)
	Serve as a member of the College of Education Teacher Education
	Council (college)
	Serve as a member of the CISE Department Student Appeals Committee
	(department)
2017	Provided Time Management Seminar, Middle Block, CISE Department (department)
2016	Served as the outside Member on the Educational Psychology Search
2010	Committee, Assistant Professor Position (college)
2015-present	Serve on the College of Education Scholarship Committee (college)
2015-2018	Served as an instructor for Camp Inspire, College of Education (college)
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2014-2016	Served on the College of Education Faculty Council (college)
2013-present	Serve as the CISE department representative, University Library
-	(department)
2013-2016	Served on the MAT-M Program Advisory Board (department)
2013-2015	Served on the CISE Department Distance Education Committee
	(department)
2013-2014	Served as an Ad Hoc Member, College Research Committee (college)
2013-2014	Served on the CISE department Search Committee, Early Literacy
	Assistant Professor (department)
2013-2014	Served on the CISE department Academic Integrity Week Committee
	(department)
2012-2013	Served on the Elementary Pathways Committee, Department of Childhood
	Education and Literacy Studies, University of South Florida (department)
2011-2013	Served on the Scholarship Committee, Department of Childhood
	Education and Literacy Studies, University of South Florida (department)

# **Faculty Club Sponsor**

2015-present	Serve as Co-Advisor, Kappa Delta Pi Honor Society (college)
2013-present	Serve as Co-Advisor, Collegiate Middle Level Association (department)

## **Community / School District Service**

2016 - present	Advisory Council Member, 21st Century Trailblazers/Transformers,
_	Starkville-Oktibbeha Consolidated School District
2016 - present	Advisory Council Member, Success Academy, Starkville-Oktibbeha
	Consolidated School District
2014 - present	Advisory Council Member, Starkville Reads, Public Library
2013-present	Curriculum Consultant, Starkville School District, elementary and middle
	level teachers
2013-present	Presenter, ELA professional development (PD) Ward-Stewart Elementary,
	Henderson School, and Armstrong Middle School
2013-2014	Presenter, ELA PD, MAT-M program partnership schools

# **MEMBERSHIPS**

2014-present	Mississippi Association for Middle Level Education (MAMLE)
2013-present	Association for Middle Level Education (AMLE)
2018-present	Mississippi Literacy Association (MLA)
2013-present	International Literacy Association (ILA, former IRA)
2013-present	National Rural Education Association (NREA)
2010-present	American Educational Research Association (AERA)
2010-present	Literacy Research Association (LRA)
1995-present	American Library Association (ALA)
1995-present	American Library Association (ALA)
1995-present	American Association of School Librarians (AASL)
1995-present	American Association of School Librarians (AASL)

# **PROFESSIONAL GROWTH and DEVELOPMENT**

Outside of the university, I attended workshops promoted by Mississippi Department of Education and the Barksdale Institute, Higher Education Literacy Council meetings. I also participated in national and state conferences, providing professional development as well as participating myself. For a list of professional development activities, please see my CV.

October 2019	Dr. Willingham Presentation, MSU
October 2019	Middle Block Seminar, Overstreet Middle School Principal, Mrs. Milons,
	and Staff, Employability Skills and First Year Teaching Tips
September 2019	Middle Block Seminar, MaxSouth Digital Media Center / VR (Staff) and
	Research, Notetaking and Citation Techniques (Melody Dale)
August 2019	Middle Block Seminar, Time Management & Keys to Success (Middle
0	Block Faculty)
September 2019	ASCD webinar, Rise to the Challenge: Designing Rigorous Learning That
	Maximizes Student Success, Jeff Marshall
April 2019	College of Education Research Forum
April 2019	ASCD webinar, Upgrading Your Teaching: Understanding by Design
1	Meets Neuroscience, Jay McTighe and Judy Willis
March 2019	HELC Sponsored Workshop, Teaching Writing, Dr. Steve Graham
March 2019	Rabideau Lecture on Teaching Excellence – John Forde
February 2019	Classroom Strategies: Tying In-Class Experiences to Course Goals
February 2019	ASCD webinar, All Learning is Social and Emotional: Helping Students
·	Develop Essential Skills for the Classroom and Beyond, Nancy Frey
January 2019	Meeting the Needs of Underprepared Writers, Luncheon
January 2019	Canvas Series: Perspectives on Designing a Course
January 2019	Canvas Series: Moving, Storing and Publishing Material
May 2018	Elementary Education Program Retreat, MSU
April 2018	College of Education Research Forum, MSU
	University Leadership Roundtable Meeting, President Keenam, MSU
January 2018	Elementary Education Program Retreat, MSU
November 2017	Mid-South Educational Research Association Conference, Starkville, MS
	Literacy Research Association Conference, Tampa, FL
September 2017	CISE Department Retreat, MSU
August 2017	edTPA Bookcamp training, MSU
July 2017	International Literacy Association Conference, Orlando, FL
	Higher Ed Literacy Council (HELC) Meeting, Jackson, MS
May 2017	edTPA Training, MSU
	Higher Ed Literacy Council (HELC) Meeting, Jackson, MS
April 2017	Elementary Education Program Retreat, MSU
	EPFP Conference, Washington, DC
	American Educational Research Association Annual Conference, San
	Antonio, TX
	College of Education Research Forum, MSU
March 2017	Education Policy Fellowship Program (EPFP) Meeting, MSU
	Evaluating Teaching Effectiveness, PD Event, CTL, MSU
February 2017	2017 MS Education Partnership Conference, Jackson, MS

January 2017	edTPA Faculty Orientation / Training, MSU Education Policy Fellowship Program (EPFP) Meeting, MSU Education Policy Fellowship Program (EPFP) Meeting, MSU
January 2017	Higher Ed Literacy Council (HELC) Meeting, Jackson, MS
December 2016	Education Policy Fellowship Program (EPFP) Meeting, MSU
November 2016	Association for Middle Level Education Annual Conference, Austin, TX
	Literacy Research Association Conference, Nashville, TN
	Higher Ed Literacy Council (HELC) Meeting, Jackson, MS
October 2016	Higher Ed Literacy Council (HELC) Meeting, Jackson, MS
September 2016	Higher Ed Literacy Council (HELC) Meeting, Jackson, MS
-	Education Policy Fellowship Program (EPFP) Meeting, MSU
	Blackboard Day at MSU, Library, MSU
August 2016	CISE Department Retreat, MSU
May 2016	APFP, Washington, DC
April 2016	Center for Teaching and Learning Online Teaching Session, MSU Lunch and Learn Series, Grisham Room, MSU
	No Researcher Left Behind: An Overview of the U.S. Department of
	Education's Funding Landscape and Other Potential Funding Sources for
	Educational Outreach and Research, MSU
	American Educational Research Association Annual Conference,
	Washington, D.C.
February 2016	Education Futures Conference, MSU
January 2016	Elementary Education Program Retreat, MSU
November 2015	Literacy Research Association, Carlsbad, CA
October 2015	AMLE Conference, Columbus, OH
August 2015	Secrets of the Successful: Practical Tips from Award Winners, MSU
August 2015 May 2015	CISE Department Fall Retreat, MSU LTERS Training, Oxford, MS
Way 2013	Elementary Education Program Retreat, MSU
	Camp Inspire, MSU
April 2015	TERMS / Teacher Roundtable with USDOE personnel, MSU
	College of Education Research Forum, MSU
	Faculty Writing Circles: Social Support, Publication Success, MSU
	American Educational Research Association (AERA) Annual Conference,
	Division B Pre-Conference, New Faculty, Chicago, IL
	AERA Annual Conference, Chicago, IL
February 2015	Mega Resources Conference, Library, MSU
	Standard Setting and Item Validation Session, MDE, Jackson, MS
	Mississippi Association for Middle Level Education, Vicksburg, MS
	Hand Hold vs. Student Support: Decision Points for Professors, MSU
January 2015	Elementary Education Program Retreat
November 2014	Literacy Research Association Conference, Marco Island, FL
	National Association of Professors of Middle Level Education, AMLE
	Conference, Nashville, TN Association for Middle Level Education Annual Conference, Nashville
	Association for Middle Level Education Annual Conference, Nashville,
	TN

October 2014	National Rural Education Association Conference, San Antonio, TX Brown Bag Lunch Session, Grisham Room, Library, MSU iPad for Researchers – Library, MSU
September 2014	Distance Education, Lunch and Learn Session, MSU Becoming a Writer, Desoto County, MS
August 2014	CISE Department Retreat, MSU
May 2014	International Reading Association Conference, New Orleans, LA.
April 2014	Common Core State Standards Overview – Mississippi State University AERA Pre-Conference – Division K New Faculty, Philadelphia, PA
	American Educational Research Association Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA
March 2014	#nctechat conversation about prof collaboration on NCTE twitter
February 2014	AACTE Conference, Indianapolis, IN
	Webinar, Connecting to Something Bigger: The Power of Open, Peer to Peer Learning
December 2013	Literacy Research Association Conference, Dallas, TX
October 2013	Fundamentals of Quality Graduate Student Mentorship, Part 2, MSU
	Dr. Yancey – Writing Across the Curriculum, Writing to Learn – QEP, MSU
	Being Efficient with Time, Library, MSU
	GCLR Webinar, Dr. Jack Nichols, Creativity in Language Arts Teaching
	Improving Teacher Quality State Grant Meeting, Jackson, MS
	MSTAR Workshop, Lois Kappler, MSU
	Fall Elementary Education Retreat
	Connect Ed Webinar - Connecting to Something Bigger: The Power of Open, Peer to Peer Learning
September 2013	Common Core State Standards Training, MDE/IHL/PARCC, Hinds
	Campus
	CAPP Training, Mississippi State University
August 2013	CISE Department Retreat, MSU
June 2013	MyCourses: Introduction to Blackboard Learn, Mississippi State University
April 2013	American Educational Research Association Annual Conference, San
	Francisco, CA

# OTHER

# **Ongoing Professional Learning Communities (PLCs)**

2014-present	Rural Education PLC / Research Group
2014-2015	Emotions in Teaching and Learning PLC / Research Group
2013-present	Research / Writing Group

# Technology Design and Development

Developed an online shell in Canvas, modules, and Camtasia videos to support:

- RDG 3413, Middle Level Literacy 1
- RDG 3423, Middle Level Literacy 2

- RDG 8113, Middle Level Literacy Learners
- RDG 8123, Supporting the Middle Level Literacy Learner
- EDE 3343, Adolescent Literature

Deployed and managed Edmodo course management system for:

- RDG 3413: Middle Level Literacy 1
- RDG 3423: Middle Level Literacy 2
- EDE 3343: Adolescent Literature