

# Kimberly O. Smith

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## EDUCATION

- Doctor of Philosophy**, Curriculum, Instruction and Special Education; Elementary Education In Progress  
*Mississippi State University, Starkville, MS*
- Master of Education**, Early Childhood Education 2000  
*Auburn University, Auburn, AL*
- Bachelor of Science**, Early Childhood Education 1999  
Magna Cum Laude, Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society  
*Auburn University, Auburn, AL*
- Associate in Arts**, Early Childhood & Elementary Education 1997  
Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society  
*Bevill State Community College, Fayette, AL*

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Instructor; Curriculum, Instruction, and Special Education** 2016-Present  
*Mississippi State University, Starkville, MS*
- Teaches undergraduate face-to-face and online teacher preparation and methods courses
  - Advises undergraduate Elementary Education majors
  - Provides service to the CISE department and college in various capacities (recruiting, etc.)
- Lecturer; Curriculum, Instruction, and Special Education** 2014-2016  
*Mississippi State University, Starkville, MS*
- Taught undergraduate face-to-face and online teacher preparation courses
- Lecturer; Learning Center** 2014-2015  
*Mississippi State University, Starkville, MS*
- Taught undergraduate study skills and reading courses
  - Supported students through the Individualized Study Skills Program
- First Grade Teacher** 2006-2011  
*South Elementary School, Glencoe, IL*
- Taught in a self-contained First Grade classroom
  - Implemented Responsive Classroom strategies
  - Piloted SMART Technology (interactive white boards) and the use of iPods in the classroom
- Integrated Kindergarten Teacher** 2005-2006  
*Pritchett Elementary School, Buffalo Grove, IL*
- Team-taught in an integrated classroom setting
- First Grade Teacher** 2000-2005  
*Ethel Kight Magnet School, LaGrange, GA*
- Taught in a self-contained First Grade classroom
  - Cooperating teacher for teacher interns and practicum students

## **PUBLICATIONS**

Brenner, D., Alley, K.M., Miller, N., Smith, K., & Tullos, A. (in-press). Partnership school: A rural school-university collaboration like no other. In S. Hartman & B. Klein (Eds.), *Middle of Somewhere: Rural Education Partnerships that Promote Innovation and Change*. Cambridge, MA: Harvard Education Press.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

Smith, K. (2021). Adolescent War Diaries: Interpreting Evidence to Increase Historical Understanding. Spark & Tell conference session presented at the Association of Middle Level Education Conference, Virtual.

Alley, K., & Smith, K. (2019). Teachers Are . . . “The Brain Changers” (Brain Based Literacy Strategies). Conference session presented at the Mississippi Literacy Association Conference, Biloxi, MS.

Malen, J., Smith, K., & Wagner, M. (2008). Playground Pals, A Prosocial, Positive Behavior Intervention for Elementary Schools. Conference session presented at the School Social Work Association of American Annual Conference, Denver, CO.

## **COLLEGE TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

EDE 3123	Early Childhood Education
EDE 3123	Middle Level Education
EDE 3343	Teaching Adolescent Literature
EDE 3523	Foundations of Elementary and Middle Level Mathematics Education
EDE 4883	Managing the Elementary and Middle Level Classroom
LSK 0103	Intermediate Reading
LSK 1011	Study. Skills
LSK 1023	College Reading and Study Skills
LSK 1043	Life Skills for College Athletes
LSK 2013	Speed Reading
RDG 3113	Early Literacy I
RDG 3123	Early Literacy II
RDG 3413	Middle Level Literacy I
RDG 3423	Middle Level Literacy II
RDG 4133	Integrating Language Arts Instruction into the Content Areas

## **TEACHING CERTIFICATIONS**

Mississippi Teaching Certificate Pre-Kindergarten/Elementary Education (K-Grade 3)	2013-Present
Florida Certificate of Eligibility Pre-Kindergarten/Primary Education (Age 3-Grade 3)	2013-2016
Illinois Type 04 Certificate Self Contained General Education (Age 0-Grade 3)	2005-2015
Georgia P-5 Certificate Early Childhood Education, Technology Certification	2000-2010
Alabama Class B Certificate Early Childhood (Grades P-3)	1999-2004

## PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Association for Middle Level Educators (AMLE)  
 International Literacy Association (ILA)  
 Literacy Research Association (LRA)  
 Mississippi Literacy Association (MLA)  
 National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CREATED/PRESENTED

Classroom Management Summer Workshops for Grenada Elementary School 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade teachers; Grenada, Mississippi 2009

Online CEU Courses created for the MSU Center for Continuing Education; Starkville, MS 2018

- Classroom Management Basics
- Creating a Positive Classroom Environment

## CERTIFICATIONS

LETRS 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition, Volume 1 Facilitator  
 Nearpod Certified Educator

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Graduate Student Association Departmental Representative <i>Mississippi State University, Starkville, MS</i>	2021-2022
New Elementary Education faculty member mentor <i>Mississippi State University, Starkville, MS</i>	2021-2022
Elementary Education Instructor Search Committee <i>Mississippi State University, Starkville, MS</i>	2021
Bulldog Bites Webinar Panelist – The MSU/SOSD Partnership School: Reimagining Middle School for Students and Educators <i>Mississippi State University, Starkville, MS</i>	2021
College of Education Recruitment and Outreach Committee Member <i>Mississippi State University, Starkville, MS</i>	2020-Present
External Member for Instructor Search – Instructional Systems and Workforce Development Department <i>Mississippi State University, Starkville, MS</i>	2020
Session leader for Camp I.N.S.P.I.R.E. (INtroduction and Support in Preparing for the Important Role of an Educator) <i>Mississippi State University, Starkville, MS</i>	2018-2019
Educators Rising Faculty Co-Advisor <i>Mississippi State University, Starkville, MS</i>	2017-Present

Assist in College of Education recruiting events <i>Mississippi State University, Starkville, MS</i>	2016–Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Academic Insight (assist with Departmental Fair and co-led Break Out Sessions)</li> <li>• Teacher Academy</li> <li>• Freshman &amp; Transfer Orientations</li> <li>• Preview Days</li> <li>• Scholars Days</li> </ul>	
Provided time management seminars for Middle Block Students <i>Mississippi State University, Starkville, MS</i>	2017-Present
Reading Fair Judge for Webster County Schools District Reading Fair <i>East Webster Elementary School, Mathiston, MS</i>	2018
Phonics Workshop/Training for Head Start Teachers <i>Oktibbeha County Head Start, Starkville, MS</i>	2018
Poster Judge at the College of Education Research Forum <i>Mississippi State University, Starkville, MS</i>	2018
TIAI/Dispositions Inter-Rater Reliability Group, OCFBI <i>Mississippi State University, Starkville, MS</i>	2018
University Supervisor Focus Group, OCFBI <i>Mississippi State University, Starkville, MS</i>	2017
University Supervisor for local and distance teacher education interns in elementary and middle school classroom settings; Supervised student interns participating in the EdTPA pilot program <i>Mississippi State University, Starkville, MS</i>	2013–Present
Starkville High School JMG Mentor Program; Elementary Education Student Mentor <i>Mississippi State University, Starkville, MS</i>	2016
Learning and study skills workshops <i>Mississippi State Learning Center, Starkville, MS</i>	2014-2016
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Technology: Friend or Foe?</li> <li>• Know Your Learning Styles</li> <li>• Preparing for Finals</li> <li>• Time Management</li> </ul>	
Onsite SMART Technology Advisor <i>South Elementary School, Glencoe, IL</i>	2009-2011
Staff development for elementary faculty: United Streaming, Microsoft Word, Advancing with SMARTBoard Creations, Six Traits of Writing, Incorporating iPods into the Classroom <i>South Elementary School, Glencoe, IL</i>	2006-2011

School Board Presentations <i>Glencoe School District 35, Glencoe, IL</i>	2008
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Response to Intervention</li> <li>• Writing Instruction at South Elementary School</li> </ul>	
Playground Pals Coordinator (Peer Mentor Program) <i>South Elementary School, Glencoe, IL</i>	2007-2011
Readers' Theatre Club Coordinator <i>South Elementary School, Glencoe, IL</i>	2007-2011
District Technology Team <i>Glencoe School District 35, Glencoe, IL</i>	2007-2011
District Language Arts design team member to write and revise district curriculum and instructional units <i>Aptakisic-Tripp School District 102, Buffalo Grove, IL</i>	2006
District Math Subject Area Leadership Team <i>Aptakisic-Tripp School District 102, Buffalo Grove, IL</i>	2005-2006
Student Support Team teacher representative <i>Ethel Kight Magnet School, LaGrange, GA</i>	2002-2005
Grade level Leadership Team representative <i>Ethel Kight Magnet School, LaGrange, GA</i> 2005 Exemplary Reading Program Award for Georgia from the International Reading Association (IRA)	2002-2005
InTech (computer certification) facilitator for school faculty <i>Ethel Kight Magnet School, LaGrange, GA</i>	2002-2005
4th & 5th Grade Technology Club teacher sponsor <i>Ethel Kight Magnet School, LaGrange, GA</i>	2003-2005
Georgia Criterion-Referenced Competency Test (CRCT) Content Item Review Committee <i>Georgia Department of Education, Atlanta, GA</i>	2003
Assisted school system's childcare facility seeking to acquire NAEYC accreditation (received graduate-level DIS credit) <i>Auburn City Schools, Auburn, AL</i>	2000

### **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Starkville Oktibbeha Consolidated School District Parent of the Year	2022
Starkville Foundation for Public Education Board Member	2022-Present
Partnership Middle School PTO Board Member/President	2020-Present
Girl Scout Troop 20320 Patrol Leader	2017-Present
Henderson Ward Stewart Elementary School PTO Field Day Coordinator	2019-2020
Henderson Ward Stewart Elementary School Health Council Member	2019-2020
Henderson Ward Stewart Elementary School PTO Board Member/Treasurer	2019-2020
Cub Scout Pack 14 Den Leader	2015-2020
Cub Scout Pack 14 Popcorn Chair	2017-2020
Pushmataha Area Council Cub Scout Day Camp Director	2018-2019
Cub Scout Pack 14 Committee Chair	2017-2019

Sudduth Elementary School PTO Board Member/Treasurer	2014-2018
Sudduth Elementary PTO Tutoring Program	2015-2016

## GRANTS

Lemley, S. (PI), Alley, K., Smith, K. (2017). *SCHOLARS (Science, teCHnology, Literacy, ARts, and wellnesS) Program: 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers (CCLC) Grant*. Mississippi Department of Education. Not funded (\$699,999)

Received grants to fund Readers' Theatre Club - approximately \$1,300/year for 2007-2011  
4 years  
*South Elementary School PTO, Glencoe, IL*

Received grants to fund Playground Pal program - approximately \$5,000/year 2007-2011  
for 4 years  
*South Elementary School PTO, Glencoe, IL*

Received grant to purchase iPods for classroom - approximately \$200 2009  
*Glencoe Educational Foundation, Glencoe, IL*

Received grant to install a SMARTBoard in classroom & receive 2007  
training/support - approximately \$3,000  
*Glencoe Educational Foundation, Glencoe, IL*

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ATTENDED

Inclusive Teaching Community of Practice 2022  
MSU Center for Teaching and Learning; Starkville, MS

Teaching Reading to Children Who Speak Varieties of English Webinar 2022  
Julie Washington, edWeb

LETRS 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition, Volume 1 Facilitator Training 2021  
Mississippi Department of Education, Voyager Sopris Learning

Mississippi Momentum IHL Cohort Seminars, Barksdale Reading Institute 2018-2021  
Mississippi Department of Education

LETRS (Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling) Early 2020  
Childhood Training  
University of Mississippi

Agricultural Literacy Professional Development/Agriculture Literacy 2020  
Ambassador (October 2020)  
MSU School of Human Sciences

ELA/Literacy College-and Career-Ready Standards & Instructional Shifts 2020  
Training - Text Complexity (June 2020)  
Mississippi Department of Education & Student Achievement Partners

LETRS (Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling) Training, 2019  
3<sup>rd</sup> Edition, Units 1 & 2  
Dr. Richard Sparks, North Mississippi Education Consortium

LETRS (Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling) Training, 2019  
3<sup>rd</sup> Edition, Units 3 & 4  
Sue Grisko, North Mississippi Education Consortium

CTL 101: Best Practices in Online Instruction MSU Center for Teaching and Learning; Starkville, MS	2019
LETRS (Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling) IHL Cohort Training Phase II Antonio Fierro, Mississippi Department of Education	2018
LETRS (Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling) IHL Cohort Training Phase I Antonio Fierro, Mississippi Department of Education	2017
Maroon Institute for Writing Excellence (MIWE) Mississippi State University QEP; Starkville, MS	2017
edTPA Implementation Training Stanford Center for Assessment, Learning & Equity	2017
Amie Dean Classroom Management Workshop Starkville, MS	2015
LETRS (Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling) Training Phase I Dr. Richard Sparks, North Mississippi Education Consortium	2015
You're Going To Love This Kid: Educating Students with Autism In Inclusive Schools Dr. Paula Kluth; Glencoe, IL	2009
Phonemic Awareness & Writing Workshops Dr. Michael Heggerty; Glencoe, IL	2007-2008
Nonviolent Crisis Intervention Training Northern Suburban Special Education District; Glencoe, IL	2008
SMARTBoard Training SMART Technologies; Chicago, IL	2007
Learning Focused Schools Training Learned-Focused Consultants; LaGrange, GA	2003
InTech Training Columbus State University; Columbus, GA	2002
Ruby Payne Teaching Children of Poverty Workshop West Georgia Regional Education Service Agency; LaGrange, GA	2001

### **PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES ATTENDED**

LRA – November 2021