

## Curriculum Vitae

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### **EDUCATION:**

- **Doctor of Education** – December 2007, Educational Administration, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, New Mexico;
- **Master of Education** – August 1992, Educational Leadership, Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, Arizona;
- **English as a Second Language Certification** – Spring 1991, University of Phoenix, Phoenix Arizona;
- **Bachelor of Science** – May 1979, Elementary Education with Early Childhood Endorsement, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, New Mexico, May 1979.

### **PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE:**

- **Level 3B, K-12 Administrative License**, New Mexico, effective July 1, 2002 – June 30, 2020;
- **Level 3A, Instructional Leader K-8 Elementary License**, New Mexico, effective July 1, 2002 – June 30, 2020;
- **Level 3A, Instructional Leader B-3 Early Childhood License**, New Mexico, effective July 1, 2002 – June 30, 2020.

### **PROFESSIONAL HISTORY:**

- **Administrative Appointments**
  - NMHU School of Education, Chair, Educational Leadership Department, August 2015 – Present
  - NMHU, School of Education, Coordinator of Educational Leadership Department – August 2013 – Present
- **Associate Professor**  
**NMHU, Educational Leadership Department, Fall 2013 – Present**
  - Educational Leadership and the Principalship, 2013 – Present
  - Reflective Leadership, 2013 – 2014
  - Instructional Leadership, Supervision, and Evaluation – 2013 – 2015
  - Legal Issues for School Leaders – 2014
  - Data-Informed Instructional Leadership – Spring, 2015 – Present
  - Internship I & II, 2013 – Present
  - Master's Thesis – Spring 2015 – Present
  - Independent Study, 2013 - Present

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- **Adjunct Professor**  
**NMHU, Educational Leadership and Curriculum and Instruction Departments, Fall 2010-Spring 2013**
  - Educational Research Interpretations, Fall, 2010 – Fall, 2011
  - Instructional Strategies and Mentoring, Fall, 2012
  - Educational Leadership and the Principalship – Spring, 2013
- **Elementary School Principal** – July 2007 – June 2013, Sandia Vista Elementary School, Rio Rancho Public Schools, Rio Rancho, New Mexico;
- **Elementary School Principal** – August 2004 – June 2007, Cuba Elementary School and Cuba Middle School, Cuba Independent School District, Cuba, New Mexico;
- **District Test Coordinator** – August 2004 – June 2007, Cuba Independent School District, Cuba, New Mexico;
- **Director of Instruction** – August 2005 – June 2006, Cuba Independent School District; Cuba, New Mexico;
- **Principal** – August 2004 – June 2005, Cuba Middle School, Cuba Independent School District, Cuba, New Mexico;
- **Director of Instruction and District Test Coordinator** – July 2003 – June 2004, Dulce Independent School District, Dulce, New Mexico;
- **Elementary School Assistant Principal** – July 2002 – June 2003, Dulce Elementary School, Dulce Independent School District, Dulce, New Mexico;
- **Elementary School Teacher** – August 1994 – May 2002, Ninilchik Elementary/High School, Ninilchik, Alaska; Hope Elementary/High School, Hope, Alaska, Kenai Peninsula Borough School District, Soldotna, Alaska;
- **Elementary School Teacher** – August 1988 – May 1994, Desert View Elementary School, Page School District, Page, Arizona;
- **Head Teacher** – August 1985 – May 1988, Crown King School District, Crown King, Arizona;
- **Elementary School Teacher** – August 1979 – May 1985, Field Elementary School, Mesa Public School District, Mesa, Arizona.

### PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS:

- **Professional Development Schools National Conference** – March 5-8, 2015, Atlanta, Georgia: *“Improving Literacy through Collaborative Research: A Bridge Between K-5 and Higher Education”*
- **The 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Research Day** – April 4, 2014, New Mexico Highlands University, Las Vegas, New Mexico: *“A Bridge Between K-12 and Higher Education: The Implementation of a Professional Development School”*
- **New Mexico Coalition of School Administrators** – July 19, 2007, Albuquerque, New Mexico: *“Beyond Borders: District Leaders Seeking Understanding of Education in Neighboring Countries”*
- **University Council for Educational Administration** – November, 2006, San Antonio, Texas: *“Preparation for Social Justice Leadership: A Conversation”*

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### **SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY** – New Mexico Highlands University, 2013 – Present

- **Academic Affairs Committee**, Fall 2013 – Spring 2015
- **Graduate Appeals Committee Chair**, Fall, 2014 – Spring 2015
- **Committee Chair**, Comprehensive Exams for Master of Arts Graduate Students
  - Spring, 2014 – Six (6) Students
  - Summer, 2014 – Three (3) Students
  - Fall, 2014 – Five (5) Students
  - Spring, 2015 – Three (3) Students
  - Summer, 2015 – Three (3) Students
- **Second EDLD Member**, Comprehensive Exams Committee
  - Summer, 2014 – Three (3) Students
  - Fall, 2014 – Four (4) Students
  - Spring, 2015 – Seven (7) Students
  - Summer, 2015 – Two (2) Students
- **Outside Discipline Member**, Comprehensive Exams Committee
  - Spring, 2014 – Two (2) Students
  - Fall, 2014 – Two (2) Students
  - Spring, 2015 – Two (2) Students
- **EDLD Internship I and II University Supervisor**
  - Fall, 2013 – Four (4) Students
  - Spring, 2014 – Five (5) Students
  - Summer, 2014 – Seven (7) Students
  - Fall, 2014 – Five (5) Students
  - Spring, 2015 – Nine (9) Students
  - Summer, 2015 – Four (4) Students
  - Fall, 2015 – Four (4) Students