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Curriculum Vitae

Academic Degrees:

Ed.D. in Early Childhood Education.
Jackson State University
Jackson, Mississippi
2002

M. Ed. In Early Childhood Education
University of Florida
Gainesville, Florida
1976 (awarded 1997)

BSBA
University of Florida
Gainesville, Florida
1973

Pensacola High School
Pensacola, Florida
1969

List of courses taught at Jackson State:

Undergraduate Courses

EDCI 100 – Introduction to Education
EDCI 120 – Practical Childcare Experience
EDCI 121 – Problems, Issues, and Innovations in Childcare : Infant/Toddler Development
EDCI 122 – Family Dynamics
EDCI 208 – Methods and Materials in Early Childhood Education
EDCI 220 – Teaching and Learning Styles for Young Children
EDCI 221 – Administration of Programs for Young Children
EDCI 303 – Parent, Child, Teacher Interactions
EDCI 305 – Child Guidance
EDCI 320 – Field Experience in Early Childhood
EDCI 400 – Theories and Principles of Early Childhood Education

Graduate Courses

EDCI 501 – The Family in Cross Cultural Perspectives
EDCI 503 – Principles of Child Development in the Early Years
EDCI 504 – Methods and Materials in Early Childhood
EDCI 506 – Art and Music in Early Childhood
EDCI 508 – Children’s Literature
EDCI 556 – Classroom Management
EDCI 569 – Developmentally Appropriate Early Childhood Curriculum
EDCI 600 – History and Development of Early Childhood Education

Related Work Experience:

- 8/2003 - Present **Associate Professor** Jackson State University
Promoted to Associate Professor effective August, 2010
Asst. Professor, College of Education and Human Development, Dept. of Elementary and Early Childhood Education. **Graduate Faculty Status**
- 12/2002 - 7/2003 Adjunct Lecturer Jackson State University
Adjunct Professor - teaching undergraduate and graduate students.
- 8/2001 - 7/2003 Early Childhood Educator Madison County Public Schools Camden, MS
Lead Facilitator - program for four and five-year-old children and their families between Friends of Children Head Start Project and Madison County Public Schools designed to ease the transition from head start into the public school for rural poverty children and their families.
Summer, 2002 - Music director, His Way Homes Summer Camp.
- 1/1996 - Present Emotional Intelligence Curriculum AMF Books
Storyteller and Musician - presents stories and music throughout South Eastern US for preschool and the public school system.
- 8/1999 - 7/2001 Kindergarten Teacher Jackson Public School District Jackson, MS
Classroom Teacher - taught poverty children in an urban environment.
- 9/1998 – 8/1999 **Childcare Director** Metro YMCA Jackson, MS
Director of childcare facility serving high poverty children birth through ten years old.
- 6/1981 – 2/1997 Industrial Liaison PSP of Pensacola Pensacola, FL
Procurement director and **educational liaison** to schools and industry to promote and procure materials for recycling efforts in south Alabama and northwest Florida. Participate in relations with Federal government regarding educational legislation.
- 9/1978 – 5/1981 **Early Childhood Music Teacher** Encino, CA
Traveled among various child care facilities teaching skills to young children.
- 6/1977 – 8/1978 **Child Care Director** ABC Nursery School Boulder, CO
Directed center with approximately 260 children ages birth through six in three buildings.
- 9/1976 – 5/1977 **Kindergarten teacher** Children's World of Colorado Longmont, CO
Classroom teacher in privately owned child care center. Licensed in CO K-12.
- 9/1970 – 5/1972 **Assistant teacher** Cooperative Nursery School Gainesville, FL
Worked as assistant facilitator to parents and teachers with children ages 2 to 5.

Research Areas:

Values among cultures – Comparative values among African American, Middle Eastern and Far Eastern cultures. In process.

Assessment of Emotional Intelligence in Young Children with Regard to Emotional Literacy. In process

Effects of Family Affective Behaviors on Cognitive Development.

The suitability of quality evaluation systems for the population being evaluated. In process.

Publications:

Books for Parents and Teachers:

Fish, B., (2011). *Raising Emotionally Intelligent Children: Introduction to emotional intelligence*. New York, NY: AMF Books.

Children's Books:

Fish, B., Sims, E. (2005). *The Owl and the Pussycat*. Jackson, MS: FishyRhythms Publishing, LLC.

Fish, B., Sims, E. (2012). *A Fish Tale: A story about greed*. New York, NY: AMF Books.

Fish, B., Sims, E. (2005) *The Itsy Bitsy Spider Blues*. Jackson, MS: FishyRhythms Publishing, LLC.

Fish, B., Sims, E. (2005) *Dr. Rhythm's Band*. Jackson, MS: FishyRhythms Publishing, LLC.

Fish, B., Sims, E. (2005) *You're Amazing*. Jackson, MS: FishyRhythms Publishing, LLC.

Fish, B., Sims, E. (2012) *The Gunnwolf: A story about Fear*. (3rd Ed.). NY, NY; AMF Books.

Fish, B., Sims, E. (2006) *Fly Away*. Ridgeland, MS: FishyRhythms Publishing, LLC.

Discography:

Dr. Rhythm's Crew. (2011) "You're Amazing! Too"

Fish, B. (2011). "Dr. Rhythm II: Multicultural songs and stories."

Refereed Publications:

Fish, B., Yin, J. Emotional Intelligence : Why and how. *EQ Journal*. 4,4, 2009.

Fish, B., Parker, J. Full-Speed Behind: How the elementary and secondary education law moves us backwards. Published in *The Academician*. Winter, 2005.

Fish, B. Music with Young Children: Personal Reflections. Published in *Mississippi Reading Journal*. Fall, 2004.

Fish, B. Why Teach Emotional Intelligence. Published in *Phi Delta Kappa Newsletter*. March, 2004.

Fish, B., Channell, L., Brown, W., Ngwudike, B. (2005). Using the multiple intelligences within the emotional intelligence framework. In *The Urban Researcher*. 6,2. Jackson, MS: Mississippi Urban Research Center. 47-65.

Articles:

Fish, B. Pie in the Sky. *Jackson Free Press*. 51:36. May 20, 2010

Fish, B. Questioning the Validity of the MCT. *Clarion-Ledger*. August 19, 2005.

Funded Grants or Projects:

Summer Demonstration Grant MDE Grant Summer Food Service Program: 113201M4812116026. CFDA: 10.559. Federal Award: CN-SFSP-MS-10-02. Funded through the Mississippi Department of Education by the USDA (\$200,000)

Jackson State University Early Childhood Care and Education Workforce Development Program "JSU CDA Program"
Grant: W6528-PY20072008 ARRA. Contract: 9-S90-046-6528-1. Funded by the Mississippi Department of Employment Security (\$150,000)

Families Uniting through Literature, 2007-2013. Funded by Mississippi Learning Institute, First Book, FishyRhythms Publishing (\$10,789.00)

Family Reading Bonds. Funded by Mississippi Humanities Council. June, 2005. (\$3000.00)

You're Amazing Concert. Funded by First Book CAB. April, 2004, November, 2004, December, 2005, February, 2006, February, 2007. (\$1258.00)

Life is a Rhythm. Funded by His Way Homes. June, 2003 (\$5000.00)

YMCA EQ Program. Funded by Metro United Way. June, 1999. (\$25000.00)

Community Programs:

Dr. Rhythm – Friends of Children, I Sanders YMCA, Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD). May – July, 2011

Families Uniting through Literature (FUtL) – Jackson State University, May, 2008 – December, 2008.

Families Uniting through Literature (FUtL) – Progressive Baptist Church, Jackson, MS. Summers 2007-2009, fall 2010, Winter 2013

Community Collaborations:

Central Mississippi Library System, Mid-Mississippi Library System, Jackson Public Library System, Madison Library System, Yazoo Community Action, Jackson Public Schools, Hinds Community College, Mississippi Families As Allies, Hinds County Human Resource Agency, 5 County Child Development, Friends of Children, Inc., CMI Head Start.

Conferences:

National and International Conferences:

NBCDI (National Black Child Development Institute) – Music and Emotional Intelligence 2008

NAEYC Interational Convention – Families Uniting through Literature 2008

NAEYC International Convention - Professional Education Panel Participant 2003 and 2005

Regional Conferences:

The Forgotten Literacy –Southern Early Childhood Association (SECA) February, 2013

The Common Core- Ready or not – Urban Conference, Jackson State University February, 2012

Music and Young Children – Allies for Children, Meridian, MS	July, 2011
Using Children’s Approach to Learning to Enhance Adaptation to Formal Schooling – MS Early Childhood Alliance T Conference, Meridian, MS	March 12, 2011
Children’s Approach to Learning (ATL) and Executive Function – Mississippi Learning Institute.	February 23, 2011
Music for Young Children and Bringing Books Alive – Association for Christian Schools International (ASCI) – Keynote and two presentations.	Spring, 2007; Spring, 2009
The Emotionally Safe Environment – IRA Southeastern Regional Conference	Fall, 2004

State Conferences

Emotional Intelligence for Parents & Teachers of Young Children	Mississippi Early Childhood Association (MECA)	Fall, 2010
Music with Young Children	MSECA Annual Conference	Fall, 2010
“The Emotionally Safe Environment”	MS Reading Association	Fall, 2003
“Stories to Engage Learning”	MDE Mega Conference	Summer 2004
Featured speaker, You’re Amazing!,	MS Reading Association	Fall, 2004

Local Conferences:

Attala County Library – Dr. Rhythm	June 7, 2011
Keynote – Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD)	July 31, 2010
International Songs and Stories as Teaching Tools - International Conference on Peace and Symposium	March, 2009
Families Uniting through Literature – Ruth Searcy Literacy Conference.	Spring, 2009
Tools for engagement: Using emotional states to enhance learning” and “Math is more than numbers: It’s musical, magical, and fun.” Department of Elementary & Early Childhood Education Conference	Spring, 2007
Music for Young Children for Non-Musicians Rankin County Child Care Association	Summer, 2004
Full Speed Behind – Urban Education Conference, College of Education and Human Dev.	Spring, 2004
Keynote:: Music and the Emotionally Safe Environment MsECA Regional Training Conference	Spring, 2003

One-day workshops:

Adapting to the High Scope Curriculum – Pace Headstart, Hattiesburg, MS	August 16, 2012
Behavior Management – 5 County Child Development	Jan., 2012

Understanding the New Head Start Domains, Five County Head Start, Prentiss, MS	May 25 & 26, 2011
Using Emotional Intelligence in the workplace and with clients – MS Vocational Rehab	November 30, 2010
Behavior Management – Title One Pre-Kindergarten Tchrs, Jackson Public Schools	August 18, 2010
Understanding Children’s Behavior – Hope Learning Center, Northtown Child Development	April, 2010
Lap-D and other Standardized Assessments for Early Childhood, 5 County Head Start	Jan., 2010
Nurturing Self: Exploring the Inner Self - Mississippi Mental Health Community Conference –	2007, 2008, 2009
Amazing Kids – Dream Street Summer Camp –	Summer, 2008
“Math is more than numbers – It’s magical, musical, and FUN.” Jackson Association for Children Under Six (JACUS) – Featured presenter.	Spring, 2008
“DAP Family Dynamics – Working with working parents of young children” and “Music with young children.” Crossgates Methodist Childcare Center Teacher Professional Development.	April, 2008
Multiple Topics – Sacred Heart School, Hattiesburg, MS; Sacred Heart School, Greenville, MS.	Sept., 2007
Amazing Kids – S PARK, Hollandale, MS, 2006,2007	
“Engage your Higer Education students in learning.” Jackson State University College of Lifelong Learning. Workshop for instructors at Antonelli College.	

On-Going Workshops

Child Development Associate (CDA) – Jackson, MS; Yazoo, MS.

Professional Development Workshops for Dept. of Health

Professional Development Trainer – Mississippi Dept. of Health (2006 – Present)

North Town Child Development Center – 10 contact hours – April, 2011, 2008

Hope Preschool – 10 contact hours – May, 2008, May 2009, January 2010, January 2011

Professional Associations:

MS Association for Assessment Reform – Founder, Chairman
National Association for the Education of Young Children – Professional Education Panel (SPA)
Phi Delta Kappa – **President** Local Chapter 1033
National Head Start Association
International Reading Association (Mississippi Reading Association)
Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development
American Psychological Association
National Association Childcare Professionals (Rankin County Child Care Directors Association)
Association for Childhood Education International
Southern Early Childhood Association (Mississippi Early Childhood Association)
Coalition for Essential Schools
National Education Association

Student Organizations:

Advisor: First Book Campus Advisory Board of Jackson State University

Editorial Responsibilities:

PDK Local 1033 Newsletter

Certifications:

Emotional Intelligence Trainer, Level 1
Class AAAA Teacher License, Mississippi: N-1,K-8;
K-12 Teaching Certification, Colorado.
Mississippi Department of Health, Trainer for Child Care

Professional Appointments:

Mississippi State TTA Center, a member of the OHS TTA System (STGi) – Early Childhood Education Specialist
Council for Professional Recognition – Council Representative (2012-Present)
Council for Professional Recognition – CDA Advisor (2010-Present)
National Association for the Education of Young Children, Professional Education Panel, **2003-2007**;
Mississippi Arts in Education Roster, 2004-2007;
State of Mississippi, Department of Health, Child Care Advisory Board, 2004-2008.
Re-appointed as Chairman, 2007-2010.
Governor Haley Barbour's Early Care and Education Council - January, 2006
Child Care Professional Development Trainer – Mississippi Dept. of Health

Service

Vice-President, Board of Directors, North Town Child Development Ctr. Jackson, Mississippi
Beth Israel Temple
Stewpot
Artist-in-Residence (Atelier) The Privette School – A Regio Emilio Center
Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, Jackson State University 2010 – 2013
Promotion and Tenure Committee

Honors and Awards:

College of Education and Human Development Outstanding Service Award – Spring, 2007
Department of Elementary and Early Childhood Education - Teacher of the Year – Spring, 2008
Department of Elementary and Early Childhood Education – Outstanding Service Award – Spring, 2012