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SUMMARY

Teacher educator with a keen awareness of the importance of helping future teachers develop the knowledge, skills and attitudes necessary for understanding the diversity that is the reality of today's classroom.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Lecturer at The Mico University College 2015- present

Lecture the following courses:

- Teaching Reading to Diverse Learners- Workshop
- Working with Families of Children with Disabilities
- Behaviour Management for Students with Moderate and Severe Disabilities
- Systematic Instruction for Students with Moderate and Severe Disabilities
- Introduction to Special Education
- Functional Assessment and Instructional Planning for Students with Moderate and Severe Disabilities
- Psychosocial Issues of the Moderate and Severely Disabled
- Collaboration and Consultation in Special Education
- The Curriculum in the Special Education Context

Adjunct lecturer at The Mico University College 2008 – 2014

Lectured the following courses:

- The Psychology of Exceptionality
- Introduction to Exceptionalities
- Teaching Reading at the Primary Level
- Teaching Reading to Diverse Learners
- Working with Families of Children with Disabilities
- Introduction to Curriculum and Instructional Planning
- Curriculum in the Special Education Context

On-line lecturer at The University of The West Indies Open Campus 2010-2011

Lectured the course:

- Introduction to the Learner in Difficulty

Adjunct lecturer at the International University of the Caribbean 2008-2012

Lectured the following courses:

- Exceptionalities
- Classroom Assessment
- Reading Methodology
- Introduction to Sociology

Private tutor for students with special needs 2003-2013
Provided support for students at the primary and secondary level; assisted students in developing Reading, Spelling, Writing and Math skills and concepts.

St. Hugh's Prep School

- Resource Room Teacher 1999-2003
- Remedial Reading Teacher 1997-1999
- Teacher for Unit Class for Gifted Students 1995 – 1997
- Teacher for Grade Two 1994 – 1995
- Remedial Reading Teacher 1993-1994

The McCam Child Care Development Centre 1988-1990

- Teacher for Unit class for children with disabilities

Excelsior Primary School 1981-1982

- Teacher of the first unit class for the deaf established in a primary school

Danny Williams School for the Deaf 1979-1981

- Grade Four Teacher (1980-1981)
- Grade Two Teacher (1979-1980)

EDUCATION

D Ed. University of Sheffield, U.K. 2010-2014

Mico Diagnostic Reading Test Certificate 2009

M.A.T. 2006-2008
Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, North Carolina

B.S. Ed. (Summa Cum Laude) 2001-2003
Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, North Carolina

Certificate in Behaviour Management Techniques 1982
Mico College Care Centre

B. A. T. O. D. Certificate (British Association of Teachers of the Deaf) 1980-1981
The Jamaica Association for the Deaf

Teacher's Certificate – Primary Teacher Education (Special Education) 1977-1979
Mico Teachers' College

SKILLS

Computer Skills: Experience with internet research, on-line lecturing, and using the virtual classroom
Team worker: Works well with others and has good communication skills.
Sign Language: Basic sign language (Jamaican and American)

VOLUNTEER WORK

Working with families: helping families in the Adoption process
Foster parent
Volunteer in the nursery at Marigold Place of Safety and Glenhope Children's Homes
Volunteer in the resource room for two schools for students with special education needs
Volunteer reader and story teller
Preparing meals for a monthly street feeding programme

INTERESTS

Reading medical and legal thrillers, and historical novels
Watching movies
Baking
Sudoku
Painting

WORKSHOPS AND PRESENTATIONS

Staff training workshop for:
Genesis Academy: *Strategies for Working with Autistic and Intellectually Disabled Youth* 2011
The Randolph Lopez School of Hope: *Writing Individualized Education Plans* 2015
The Queens Preparatory School: *Using Learning Centers in the Classroom* 2015
The STEP Center: *Autism and Asperger's Syndrome* 2017
Catholic Schools Workshop: *Children with Learning Challenges
in the General Education Classroom* 2017
Old Harbour High School: *Understanding Students with Special Learning Needs in the
High School* 2018
Key note speaker for The Randolph Lopez School of Hope Graduation Exercise 2016
Shared research findings at the forum on ADHD at PIOJ 2017

PUBLICATION

Contributed a chapter in the book: Blackman, Stacy and Conrad, Dennis (2017) "Listening to the Voices of Children with LD and ADHD on their Experiences of Transitioning to High School." In Blackman and Conrad, *Caribbean Discourse in Inclusive Education: Historical and Contemporary Issues* (pp 225-244), Charlotte, NC: Information Age Publishing
Children's Phonics Book A to Z and in Between [work in progress]

REFERENCES - Available on request