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Academic Degrees

Ed. D. **Northern Kentucky University**

Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership (2021)

Dissertation: Initiate, Sustain, Support: A Case Study of One Church-School Partnership

M. Ed. **Old Dominion University**

Education emphasis Library Science (2010)

B. S. **Eastern Kentucky University**

Elementary Education (2004)

Professional Licensure

Licensed by the State of Ohio:

(1) Early Childhood Education, Age 3 - Grade 3

(2) Grade 4 - 5 Endorsement

Professional Experience

2020 - present **Lecturer, Education Program Director**

Northern Kentucky University

Facilitate Masters of Arts in Teaching program including the management of faculty, staff, and course scheduling.

Guide students through the Masters of Arts in Teaching program, including interviewing into the program and advising.

Developed EDMT 611 Studies of the Learner into an intensive online course.

Mentor field experience placement students in undergraduate and graduate programs.

Chair Community Engagement Committee for Graduate Council.

2013 - 2019

Associate Professor, Education Department Chair

Cincinnati Christian University

Met independently with students to help advise for future schedules and provide assistance in lesson and planning creation.

Created partnership with local preschool for teacher candidates to partner in the classroom.

Shared new techniques of professional online website portfolios with students and colleagues.

Co-Authored the CAEP Inquiry Brief.

2016 Teacher of the Year

2006 - 2013

Fifth Grade Classroom Teacher

Henrico County Public Schools, Richmond, Virginia

Worked collaboratively with the Exceptional Education Teacher to implement Individualized Education Plans.

Presented new curriculum to staff and led the implementation of new teaching resources into the classroom.

Introduced new techniques to staff and supported others as the Technology Computer Contact.

Researched and co-authored district wide fourth and fifth grade Social Studies curriculum.

2005 - 2006

Third Grade Classroom Teacher

Liberty Christian School, Mechanicsville, Virginia

Created and implemented third grade curriculum for school accreditation.

Designed and directed Math and Science Fairs for students Kindergarten through Fifth grade.

Adapted and accommodated materials and lessons for students with special needs.

Presentations

- 2021 Hess, M. "The Story of One Cross Sector Partnership: How a Church Initiated and Sustained a Partnership to Support a Local School Community" Presented at the Ethnographic and Qualitative Research Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada.
- 2020 Professional Development Training Day for Happy Days Preschool, Bethel Ohio covering goal setting, assessment, and STEM concepts.
- 2019 Lead two Teacher Professional Development Days for Happy Days Preschool, Bethel Ohio covering assessment, age appropriateness, classroom management, and incorporating arts into the curriculum.
- 2017 Hess, M. "Learning Education Theory through the Flipped Classroom Approach: Offering Recognition and Support to Students" Presented at The Ohio Confederation of Teacher Education Organizations, Dublin, Ohio.
- Lead students in student reflected presentation.
- 2017 Hess, M. and Beam, S. "Using technologies with Young Children to Encourage Learning and Language Development: Podcasts and Green Screens" Presented at the Ohio Association of Educating Young Children, Sandusky, Ohio.
- 2017 Hess, M. and Beam, S. "Learning Education Theory through the Flipped Classroom Approach: Offering Recognition and Support to Students" Presented at The Ohio Confederation of Teacher Education Organizations, Dublin, Ohio.
- 2016 Hess, M. and Beam, S. "Using technologies with Young Children to Encourage Learning and Language Development: Podcasts and Green Screens" Presented at the National Association of Educating Young Children, Los Angeles, California.
- 2015 Hess, M. "Developing Critical Thinking through Podcasts" Presented at the Ohio Council for the Social Studies, Dublin, Ohio.
- 2015 Workshop Teacher Training; Corinthian Baptist Church, Cincinnati, Ohio Education Department: Melissa Hess, Sandi Beam, Claudia Wehmann Led workshop about child development and teaching strategies for a group of local church teachers.
- 2014 Hess, M. "Using Accessible Technology to Achieve Equality in the Classroom: Use of Green Screens in your Curriculum." Presented at the Ohio Council for the Social Studies, Dublin, Ohio.
- 2014 Hess, M. "Using Accessible Technology to Achieve Equality in the Classroom." Presented at The Ohio Confederation of Teacher Education Organizations, Dublin, Ohio.
- 2014 Workshop Teacher Training; Corinthian Baptist Church, Cincinnati, Ohio Education Department: Melissa Hess, Sandi Beam, Claudia Wehmann Led

workshop about child development and teaching strategies for a group of local church teachers.

Service to the Profession

2016 - 2017 Co creator and host of The Apple Slice podcast
2015 Student Portfolio Reviewer, Great Oaks Teacher Academy
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2010-2012 Developed Fifth Grade Geography/History Curriculum as a curriculum writer for Henrico County Public Schools.

Service to the University

2021 General Education – Oral Communication Scoring Team
2021 - present Graduate Council, Community Engagement Committee Chair
2020 - present MAT Program Facilitator
Spring 2021 Fall 2020 General Ed Assessment Scorer of student artifacts
2018 - 2019 Education Department Chair
2018 - 2019 CCU Cabinet Member
2018 - 2019 Member of the Grant Writing Committee
2017 Workshop Teacher Training; Corinthian Baptist Church, Cincinnati, Ohio
Education Department: Melissa Hess, Sandi Beam, Claudia Wehmann Led workshop about informed technology integration and team leader strategies for a group of local church teachers.
2016 Workshop Teacher Training; Corinthian Baptist Church, Cincinnati, Ohio
Education Department: Melissa Hess, Sandi Beam, Claudia Wehmann Led workshop about the theory of Multiple Intelligences and the uses in an informal educational setting.
2015 Workshop Teacher Training; Cincinnati Chinese Church, Cincinnati, Ohio
Education Department: Melissa Hess, Sandi Beam, Claudia Wehmann Led workshop on child development and teaching strategies for a group of local church teachers.
2014 Workshop Teacher Training; Cincinnati Chinese Church, Cincinnati, Ohio

Education Department: Melissa Hess, Sandi Beam, Claudia Wehmann
Led workshop on child development and teaching strategies for a group of local church teachers.

- 2014 NEXT Future Educator Symposium Presenter
- 2014 - 2019 Member of the Library Committee
- 2014 - 2016 LEAD Mentor, Faculty leadership mentor for one student from student's sophomore year through graduation.
- 2014 - 2019 Professional Digital Portfolio Workshop for Student Teachers
- 2014 - 2019 Department of Education Task Stream Administrator; An online assessment and portfolio system.

Courses Taught

EDUC 101 Introduction to Teaching
EDUC 225 Communication Development & Disorders
EDUC 240 Instructional Technology
EDUC 245 Integrating the Arts
EDUC 280 Methods of Teaching
EDUC 310 Preschool Education Clinical Experience
EDUC 320 Theory & Practice
EDUC 350 Social Studies for the Child
EDUC 361 Teaching Adolescence & Young Adult Composition
EDUC 365 Science for the Child
EDUC 455 Mathematics in the Middle Grades

EDU 300 Human Growth and Development
EDU 389 Elementary Experience II
EDU 494 Clinical Experience Elementary
EDMT 545 Method and Pedagogy in Middle School/Secondary Social Studies
EDMT 611 Studies of the Learner
EDG 618 Advanced Curriculum Studies
EDMT 695/697/696/698 Clinical Experience

Professional and Personal References available upon request.