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Curriculum Vita

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ACADEMIC PREPARATION

Doctorate of Education-- Louisiana Tech University
Masters of Education in Administration and Supervision--University of Louisiana at Monroe
30+ Secondary Principal Certification and Supervisory Certification
Bachelor of Arts in Secondary English--University of Louisiana at Monroe
Richwood High School--Monroe, Louisiana
J.S. Clark Elementary School--Monroe, Louisiana
Robinson Elementary School--Monroe, Louisiana

OTHER ACADEMIC TRAINING

Completed training in Strategies to increase test scores and student achievement
Attended Brain Based Education Seminar
Graduate of Superintendent's Academy for Monroe City Schools
Graduate of Leadership Ouachita

PROFESSIONAL and Service PROFILE

Fall 2008-Present: Assistant Professor—University of Louisiana at Monroe
2002-Spring 2008 Assistant Professor--College of Education, Northwestern State University
2001- 2002: Assistant to the Principal for Curriculum and Instruction--Carroll Junior High Magnet
Title I Coordinator--Carroll Junior High Magnet
Title I Support Team Member
Louisiana State Assessor and Teacher/Mentor Trainer
Summer 2002: Instructor--Grambling State University
1997-2001: Curriculum Coordinator--Carroll Junior High Magnet
Summer 2000: Instructor--Louisiana Tech University
1999: Professional Development Standards Review Committee
1998: Community Task Force for Monroe City Schools
1998: System wide Curriculum Committee
1995-1996: Assistant Principal --Lee Junior High School
1996: Review team for Louisiana Content Standards
1996: Member of the School Attendance Committee

1978-1995: Teacher--Carroll Junior High Magnet

1995: Junior High Educational Technology Review Committee
Writing Team Chair--Monroe City School District

1992: Textbook and Media Advisory Council Member-BESE

1991: STAR Assessment Review Committee Member--LDE

1991: LaTep/LaTip Star Instrument Working Committee

1991: Monroe City Schools' Louisiana 2000 Advisory Panel

2007- Present: Selection Committee Member for Louisiana Teacher of the Year

2006- Present: Serve as mentor for the Big Brothers and Big Sisters Program

2006- Present: Serve as board member Wellspring Board of Directors

2006-Present: Serve as Advisory Board Member of Big Brothers and Big Sisters

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

Served on University's Faculty Appeals Committee -Northwestern State University (NSU)

Served on Teacher Education College Faculty Search Committees (NSU)

Served on Provost Search committee (NSU)

Served as NCATE committee member—Student Diversity (NSU)

Serve as mentor to new faculty for student advising (NSU)

Serve as undergraduate curriculum committee member (NSU)

Graduate Faculty Member (NSU)

Presented to Class on Multicultural Education-Louisiana Tech University

Serve as Co chair for Standard I

ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCES

Wrote and implemented S.T.E.P., a program to boost self-esteem of at risk students

Designed and implemented Saturday Math Tune-up and Extended Day Program

Served in the principal's capacity in implementing many curricular and policy regulations as it pertains to instruction

Represented the principal on various committees to effect positive change in the district's promotion policy, summer school and LEAP remediation programs

Served in various capacities for the district for the review of new textbooks and software

Liaison for Louisiana Geography Education Alliance (LaGEA) 2007 Summer Institute held in Monroe

ASSOCIATE LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCES

Baptist Church Superintendent

Baptist Church Assistant Clerk

Baptist Church Trustee Board Secretary

Past Education Board Member for Louisiana Power and Light

Past Education Committee Member for Chamber of Commerce

Past Textbook Adoption Sub-Committee for B.E.S.E.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Association of Supervision and Curriculum Development
National Middle School Association
Phi Delta Kappan, International

ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

Courses Taught (2002-Spring 2008):

Foundations of Multicultural Education

- *Engaged candidates in a study of multicultural education with emphasis on dimensions of diversity as socioeconomic status, language, ethnicity, gender, religion and exceptionality*

Research on Curriculum and Instruction (Online-Graduate)

- *Promoted a review, interpretation and synthesis of research on school curriculum and instructional models, methods and strategies*

Curriculum Development for School Improvement (Online-Graduate)

Coordinated individual school districts so that standards can be met through a curriculum designed to meet the needs of a diverse student population

Instructional Planning and Design

- *Engaged candidates in the study of principles of instructional planning and design, classroom management and organization, and assessment for the diverse learner*

Supervisor for Student Teachers and Interns

- *Facilitated and assessed candidates' knowledge, skills, and dispositions as apprentices in the field*

Teaching Reading in the (Secondary) Content Areas

- *Addressed content area literacy; including literacy and language processing, subject matter standards and benchmarks, comprehension, vocabulary and study skills in the content classroom*

Methods of Instruction

- *Facilitated research on current issues and trends related to classroom management/organization, instructional design, strategies, instructional technology, and assessment for diverse learners*

Courses taught:(Fall 2008-Present)

- Middle and Secondary Methods I
- Middle and Secondary Methods II
- Classroom Behavior and Instructional Management
- Best Practices: Middle and Secondary Education
- Secondary Methods Practicum

PRESENTATIONS

Presented Classroom Strategies in Student Teacher Professional Development Forum
Northwestern State University

Research Presentation to The ARKLATEX Middle School Association 2006 Conference
“The Relationship of Parental Involvement and Home Culture Factors to Student
Achievement “

Research Presentation at the Positive Behavior Support International Conference-Boston,
MA “The Relationship of Parental Involvement and Home Culture Factors to Student
Achievement”

Presented a staff development workshop to the Opportunities Industrialization Center of
Ouachita, Inc Faculty – “Helping Learners to Connect New Learning with World
Experiences”

Panelist at the 2007 African-Americans in Louisiana Higher Education Symposium: “The
Current State of Affairs”

Presented 2007 Annual Research Day- “The Relationship of Parental Involvement and
Home Culture Factors to Student Achievement”

Paper presented at the 2008 Hawaii International Conference on Education “NCLB
(2001) at the Crossroads: The Teacher’s Perspective of Accountability and Curriculum
Relevance

Paper presented at the 2008 Hawaii International Conference on Education
“A Model for Incorporating Undergraduate Research into a Teacher Education Program”
(Morris, M., Clark, L.J. & McAlister, K, 2008)

Paper presented at the 2008 Hawaii International Conference on Education
“Meeting the Challenges for Undergraduate and Graduate Pre-Service Teacher
Candidates: A Pro-Active Approach to Address Licensure PRAXIS Exams”
(McAlister, K, Hanson, B, Hanson, T, Clark, L. J. & Morris, M., 2008)

Presented at the 27th Super Conference on Special Education: Learning without
Boundaries, *Council for Exceptional children*, “Relevant Teaching: helping learners to
connect new learning with real world experiences”

Publications

Clark, L. J. (2008). NCLB (2001) at the crossroads: The teacher's perspective of accountability and curriculum relevance. *Proceedings of the 2008 Hawaii International Conference on Education*, 5904-5923.

Morris, M., Clark, L. J., & McAlister, K., (2008). A model for incorporating undergraduate research into a teacher education program. *Proceedings of the 2008 Hawaii International Conference on Education*, 3610-3624.

AWARDS

1986-87 Monroe City Schools Teacher of the Year
1992--Nominee for Who's Who Among America's Teachers
1993-- Monroe Jaycees Outstanding Young Educator of the Year
1996-97--Monroe City Schools Teacher of the Year
2004--Nominee for Who's Who Among America's Teachers

INDIVIDUAL DATA

Birth date:	January 15, 1955
Birthplace:	Winnsboro, Louisiana
Marital Status:	Single
Interests:	Gardening, reading, church work, theater/drama