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EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

EdD, Curriculum and Instruction/Literacy 2019

University of Central Florida

EdS, Curriculum and Instruction/Literacy 2007

Florida International University

M.Ed., Reading Education 2004

Florida International University

B.S., Elementary Education 2001

Florida International University

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Lecturer 2019-Present
University of Central Florida

Instructor 2015-2019
University of Central Florida

District Secondary Reading Specialist 2014-2015
Seminole County Public Schools

Adjunct Instructor 2011-2015
University of Central Florida

High School Reading and English Teacher 2009-2015
Winter Springs High School

Reading First Regional Professional Development <i>University of Central Florida</i>	2007-2009
3rd Grade Classroom Teacher <i>Rainbow Elementary</i>	2004-2007
Middle School Language Arts/Reading Teacher <i>Key Largo School</i>	2000-2004

HONORS AND AWARDS

First Year Teacher of the Year, *Key Largo School, Monroe County Public Schools*, 2001

Teacher of the Year, *Rainbow Elementary, Seminole County Public Schools*, 2006

RESEARCH AND CREATIVE ACTIVITY

Research

Kennedy, Analexis, "Developing and Validating the Secondary Literacy Professionals Needs Assessment Matrix" (2019). Electronic Theses and Dissertations, 2004-2019. 6719.

<https://stars.library.ucf.edu/etd/6719>

EdD in Curriculum and Instruction Program of Study

Presentations

Invited

- **Kennedy, A. & Wenzel, T.** (2021, October-2022, May). *Coach Orange Early Literacy Series*. Invited presentation at Orange County Public Schools, Orlando, Florida
- **Kennedy, A.** (2022, March). *The Reading and Writing Connection*. Invited presentation at Polk County Public Schools, Lakeland, Florida
- **Kennedy, A.** (2022, January). *Close Reading*. Invited presentation at Polk County Public Schools, Lakeland, Florida
- **Kennedy, A.** (2021, December). *Planning for the Focus Lesson*. Invited presentation at Polk County Public Schools, Lakeland, Florida

- **Kennedy, A.** (2021, November). *Gradual Release of Responsibility*. Invited presentation at Polk County Public Schools, Lakeland, Florida
- **Kennedy, A.** (2021, February). KnightED Talks: Planning and Presenting at Showcase. University of Central Florida, Orlando, FL.
- **Kennedy, A. & Wenzel, T.** (2020, December) *Deepening Understanding of Texts to Connect with Readers*. Invited presentation at Orange County Public Schools, Orlando, Florida
- **Kennedy, A. & Wenzel, T.** (2020, November) *Informal Literacy Assessments and Student Grouping Considerations*. Invited presentation at Orange County Public Schools, Orlando, Florida
- **Kennedy, A.** (2020, October). *Reading Strategies to Support Text-Based Writing*. Invited presentation at Polk County Public Schools, Lakeland, Florida
- **Kennedy, A. & Wenzel, T.** (2020, September) *Knowing My Students as Readers*. Invited presentation at Orange County Public Schools, Orlando, Florida
- **Kennedy, A.** (2020, April). *Who is Doing the Work? Maximizing small group instruction in our 90-minute block*. Invited Presentation, Lakeland FL.
- Wenzel, T. & **Kennedy, A.** (2020, February). Data-driven Small Group Instruction in K-2 Classrooms. John Young Elementary, Orlando FL.
- **Kennedy, A.** (2020, January). *KnightED Talks: So you want to Present?* University of Central Florida, Orlando, FL.
- **Kennedy, A.** (2019, October). *KnightED Talks: Gradual Release of Responsibility and the Reading Block*. University of Central Florida, Orlando, FL.
- Stafford, T. & **Kennedy, A.** (2018, June). *Components of Reading*. Workshop presented at Griffin Elementary School, Polk County, FL.

International

- Kelley, M. & **Kennedy, A.** (2022, November). *Fostering a teacher as researcher mindset in an undergraduate reading practicum: Reimagining a traditional case study approach into an action research project*. [Conference Presentation]. Association of Literacy Educators and Researchers Annual Conference, Denver, Co.
- **Kennedy, A.**, Wenzel, T., Hoffman, E., & Spalding, L. (2022, September). *Strengthening the TPACK of preservice teachers in a post-covid era: Applied lessons learned*. [Conference Presentation]. SRATE Annual Conference, Lexington, KY.

- Wenzel, T., Spalding, L. A., **Kennedy, A.**, Van De Mark, C., & Kelley, M. (2022, January). *Leveraging libraries and literacy-rich experiences: Reflections from the knights read Community bus* [Conference Presentation]. Hawaii International Conference in Education, Kona, HI
- Kelley, M., Williams, K., Wenzel, T., **Kennedy, A.**, Kay, M. (2021, October). *Fostering a teacher as researcher mindset in the undergraduate reading practicum: Reimagining a traditional case study approach into an action research project* [Conference Presentation]. International Literacy Association: Organization of teacher educators in Literacy, Orlando, FL
- Wenzel, T., Spalding, L. A., **Kennedy, A.**, Hoffman, L., & Brooks, L. A. (2020, January). *Beyond traditional teacher preparation: Elevating teacher candidates' voices*. Paper presentation at the Hawaii International Conference in Education, Waikiki, HI

National

- Wenzel, T., Spalding, L., **Kennedy, A.**, Van De Mark, C., & Kelley, M. (2021, October). *Leveraging literacy resources and opportunities for children and preservice teachers* [Conference Presentation]. American Reading Forum, Sanibel, FL
- **Kennedy, A.** (2017, December). *Exploring the Professional Development Needs of Middle and High School District Instructional Coaches Through a Needs Assessment Matrix*. American Reading Forum, Sanibel Island, Florida.
- Zygouris-Coe, V., **Kennedy, A.** & Grysko, R. (2017, November). *Disciplinary Literacy Explorations from the Literature & from Practice*. Association of Literacy Educators and Researchers, Tampa, Florida
- Zygouris-Coe V., Wilson, N., Shanahan, L., McVee, M., Brook, C., & **Kennedy, A.** (December 2016). *Four courses of action to disciplinary literacy for all learners: A problems court*, American Reading Forum, Sanibel, FL.
- **Kennedy, A.** (2002, June). *Integrating the “How People Learn” principles with technology in the classroom*. National Education Computing Conference, San Antonio, TX.

Regional

- **Williams, K.**, Kelley, M., Zygouris-Coe, V., Little, M. & **Kennedy, A.** (2018, October). *Effective Literacy Strategies for Florida Teachers*. Southeastern Regional Association of Teacher Educators Conference, Panama City, FL.

State

- **Kennedy, A. & Stafford, T.** (2018, November). *Teaching in a Digital Environment: Engagement, Comprehension, and Critical Thinking Strategies for All Learners*. Florida Literacy Association Conference, Orlando, Florida.
- **Stafford, T. & Kennedy, A.** (2018, April). *Voices from the Field: Practical Tips for Successful Coaching*. UCF Literacy Symposium, Orlando, FL.
- **Stafford, T. & Kennedy, A.** (2018, April). *Seeing through the Trees: Tried and True Comprehension Strategies that Support the Standards*. UCF Literacy Symposium, Orlando, FL.
- **Stafford, T. & Kennedy, A.** (2017, November). *Disciplinary Literacy: The Key to efficient lesson planning*. Florida Literacy Association Conference, Orlando, Florida.
- **Kennedy, A.** (2017, April) *Seeing through the Forest: Tried and true comprehension strategies*, UCF Literacy Symposium, University of Central Florida, Orlando, FL.
- **Kennedy, A. & Ferrante, P.** (2016, April). *Don't Lose Steam with Vocabulary*. UCF Literacy Symposium, Orlando, FL.
- **Clements, T. & Kennedy, A.** (2009, September). *Lines, triangles and ordered pairs, oh my! Strategic approaches for mathematical word learning*. Florida Reading Association Annual Conference, Orlando, FL.
- **Kennedy, A., McClain, V. & Ruhl, T.** (2008, July). *Perk up your professional development*. Just Read, Florida Summer Conference, Orlando, FL.
- **Kennedy, A.** (2007, June-August). *Grades 4/5 Literacy Academy*. Just Read, Florida! Summer Institutes, Statewide-Florida
- **Fine, J., Cash, T. & Kennedy, A.** (2005, October). *Reciprocal mapping: visually representing text structure to improve students' reading and writing*. Florida Reading Association Annual Conference, Orlando FL.

Local

- **Kennedy, A.** (2018, March). *Exploring the Professional Development Needs of Middle and High School District Instructional Coaches Through a Needs Assessment Matrix*. Graduate Fair, Orlando, Florida.
- **Kennedy, A.** (2015, March-June). *Next generation content area reading professional development*. Course developed and presented to content area teachers, Seminole County, FL.

- **Kennedy, A.** (2015, February). *Aligning the SFA TIGRRS process to the Florida Standards.* Workshop presented at the Middle School Instructional Coaches and ELA Assistant Principals Cadre, Sanford, FL.
- **Kennedy, A.** (2015, February). *Standards based close reading.* Workshop presented at the High School Instructional Coaches and ELA Assistant Principals Cadre, Sanford, FL.
- **Kennedy, A.** (2015, January-March). *Reading Competency 5.* Reading Endorsement course presented K-12 teachers, Seminole County, FL.
- **Kennedy, A.** (2015, January-March). *Reading Competency 2.* Reading Endorsement course presented K-12 teachers, Seminole County, FL.
- **Kennedy, A.** (2015, January). *Reading-writing connection using the Florida Standards.* Workshop presented at the High School Instructional Coaches and ELA Assistant Principals Cadre, Sanford, FL.
- **Kennedy, A.** (2015, January). *Establishing literacy zones to maximize literacy instruction.* Workshop presented to middle school and high school teachers, coaches and administrators at the secondary Professional Learning Network, Sanford, FL.
- **Kennedy, A.** (2015, January). *Planning and preparing for differentiated literacy stations.* Workshop presented at the High School Instructional Coaches and ELA Assistant Principals Cadre, Sanford, FL.
- Hallett, R., Haney, I. & **Kennedy, A.** (2015, January). *Accountable talk and close reading strategies in an Integrated Curriculum Lesson.* Workshop presented at the Middle School Cadre, Sanford, FL.
- **Kennedy, A.** (2014, December). *Literacy stations for extending learning in a secondary ELA classroom.* Workshop presented at Winter Springs High School to teachers and administrators. Winter Springs, FL.
- **Kennedy, A.** (2014, November). *Literacy stations for extending learning in a secondary ELA classroom.* Workshop presented at Lake Howell High School to teachers and administrators. Winter Springs, FL.
- Hallett, R., Haney, I. & **Kennedy, A.** (2014, October). *Using constructed response questions and text annotation in an integrated curriculum lesson.* Workshop presented at the Middle School Cadre, Sanford, FL.
- Dixon, K., Haney, I. & **Kennedy, A.** (2014, September/October). *FSA Super Saturdays.* Workshop presented to secondary teachers, coaches and administrators, Seminole County, FL.

- **Kennedy, A.** (2014, June-July). *Next generation content area reading professional Development*. Course developed and presented to content area teachers, Seminole County, FL.
- **Kennedy, A.** (2013, October). *Integrating technology tools to enhance instruction*. Workshop presented to Winter Springs High School administrators and staff, Winter Springs, FL.
- **Kennedy, A.** (2013, August). *Instructional shifts and implications of the Common Core State Standards*. Workshop presented to Winter Springs High School administrators and staff, Winter Springs, FL.
- **Kennedy, A.** (2006, September). *Volumizing your vocabulary instruction*. Rainbow Elementary, Winter Springs, FL.
- **Kennedy, A.** (2005, July). *Integrating literacy into all subject areas*. Leaping into Literacy Mini- Conference, Sanford, FL.
- **Fine, J. & Kennedy, A.** (2003, May). *Reciprocal maps*. Florida International University's College of Education Conference, Miami, FL.
- **Kennedy, A.** (2003, January). *Enhancing Literacy Skills through Technology*. Presentation to district leaders and teachers in Monroe County Public Schools, Marathon, FL.

Grants

Student Success & Innovation Grant, [2023]	2023
UCF Pegasus Digital Learning	2021
Strengthening TPACK of Pre-Service Teachers in a Post-Covid Era: Applying Lessons Learned, [24,500, Funded]	
Dean's Essential Activities Fund	2021
Knights Read Community Bus, [3,000, Funded]	
Brinson Foundation Award	2021
Knights Read Community Bus, [1,500, Funded]	
Early Literacy Learning Experiences	2020
PNC Bank, Read for the Record [15,000, Funded]	

Other Funded Opportunities (Proposals Selected and Funded for)

Research-Intensive Course Designation (2020)

UCF Faculty Center for Teaching and Learning, Digital Storytelling Cohort (Spring 2017)

UCF Faculty Center for Teaching and Learning, Minds on Fire Faculty Book Club (Spring 2017)

UCF Faculty Center for Teaching and Learning, Engaging Pedagogies Cohort (Spring 2017)

UCF Writing Across the Curriculum Starter Grant (2016-2017)

UCF Faculty Center for Teaching and Learning Conference (December 2016, May 2017)

Teaching Activity

RED 6116, Advanced Study in Foundations of Reading

RED 4043, Content Area Reading (Course Shepherd)

RED 3012, Basic Foundations of Reading (Course Shepherd)

RED 4519, Diagnostic and Corrective Reading

RED 4942, Practicum for the Assessment and Instruction of Reading

EDE 4943, Internship II Coordinator

EDE 3942, Internship I Coordinator

Service Activity

College

Reading Program and Course Revisions for New Florida Reading Endorsement Competencies (2023)

NCTQ Accreditation Member for Reading Faculty (2023)

Faculty Committee Member for School of Teacher Education Remote Learning Community (Remote Teaching Task Force) (2021)

UCF Literacy Symposium, committee member/volunteer, University of Central Florida (2018-2020)

KnightED Talks Student Showcase, committee member/volunteer, University of Central Florida (2016-present)

KnightED Talks, committee chair/organizer, University of Central Florida (2016-present)

Faculty Advisor: Transfer Student Orientation, University of Central Florida, School of Teacher Education, (2019-Present)

Faculty Advisor: Internship Application, University of Central Florida, School of Teacher Education, (2016-Present)

Communications Committee, University of Central Florida, School of Teaching, Learning and Leadership (2016-2018)

Professional

UCF Liaison, Seminole Reading Council (2009-2010)

Liaison, Books for Babies Community Project (2008-2009)

Co-President, Seminole Reading Council (2003-2009)

Florida Reading Association Conference Co-Chairperson (2004-2006)

Community

Read for the Record, committee member/volunteer, University of Central Florida (2019-present)

Knights Read Community Bus, committee member/volunteer, University of Central Florida (2020-present)

University of Florida Certified Coach Institute, Critical Friend (2015-2017)

ACT Tutoring Clinic for Reading Retake Students, Winter Springs High School (2011-2014)

National Honor Society Sponsor, Winter Springs High School (2009-2014)

School Advisory Council, Winter Springs High School, (2009-2014)

School Accreditation Committee Chair, Winter Springs High School, SCPS (2009)

District Instructional Coach Cadre, Seminole County Public Schools, (2012-2014)

District Technology Cadre Seminole County Public Schools, (2009-2012)

National Board Certified Teacher Mentor, Seminole County Public Schools (2005-2007)

“Let’s Read, Seminole” Summer Reading Initiative, SCPS (2007)

Professional Development Committee, Rainbow Elementary (2004-2007)

School Advisory Council, Rainbow Elementary (2004-2007)

Literacy Leadership Team Member, Rainbow Elementary (2004-2007)

Monroe County District Technology Committee, Monroe County Public Schools (2002-2004)

Technology Committee Chair, Key Largo School (2002-2004)

Other Creative Activity

TPACK Digital Learning Course Redesign Initiative (2022)

STE Remote Learning Community, faculty lead (2021)
RED 4942 Research Intensive Designation Course Redesign (2020)
RED 3012 ESE Cohort at UCP Bailes (2018-2020)
Reading Endorsement Matrix Revisions, all RED courses (2018)
RED 4043 Reading Endorsement Competencies Matrix alignment (2019)
RED 4043 Course Redesign, University of Central Florida (2018-2019)
RED 4043 Course Shepard, University of Central Florida (2017-Present)
Florida Virtual School Internship Coordinator, Pilot program (2016-2019)
TeachLive Parent Conference Project (2016-2019)
UCF Reading Clinic (2015-2019)

Professional Learning

Orton Gillingham Dyslexia Classroom Educator Certification, (2022)
Association of Literacy Educators and Researchers, (2022)
SRATE, (2022)
Florida Literacy Association, (2022)
Florida Educational Technology Conference (2021)
National Professional Development Conference (2021)
myKnight Star Training (2021)
Effective Teaching Practices for Students with Disabilities (2021)
Simple K-12 Workshops (2020)
Distance Learning Playbook Webinar (2020)
Zoom Essentials (2020)
FLDOE Summer Literacy Institute (2019)
inPlace Training (2019-Present)
FERPA training (2015- Present)
UCF Code of Conduct Training (2015-Present)

At-Risk for University and College Faculty and Staff (2020)
TeachLive Conference: Digital Approximations of Practice (2019)
VIA training (2018)
IDL 6543 (2018)
Florida Literacy Association (2016-2018)
FCTL Summer Conference (2017)
FCTL Spring Book Club: Minds on Fire (2017)
FCTL Digital Storytelling (2017)
FCTL General Education Cohort (2017)
FCTL Teaching through Making with Twine (2017)
FCTL Spring Course Innovation Project: Engaging Pedagogies (2017)
Writing Across the Curriculum (2016-2017)
FCTL Winter Conference (2016)