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ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

Ed.D. 1995	THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA Tuscaloosa, Alabama Major: Special Education w/emphasis in Intellectual Disabilities Minor: Curriculum and Instruction
M.Ed. +30 1992	NORTHEAST LOUISIANA UNIVERSITY Monroe, Louisiana Major: Administration and Supervision
M.Ed. 1991	NORTHEAST LOUISIANA UNIVERSITY Monroe, Louisiana Major: Special Education Emphasis: Psychology
B.A. 1990	NORTHEAST LOUISIANA UNIVERSITY Monroe, Louisiana Dual Major: Elementary Education & Special Education Certification: Mild/Moderate Special Education PK-12 (LD, MR, BD); and Elementary Education 1-8

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Universities/Colleges

2003-Present	Associate Professor/Exceptional Education Coordinator (1997-2015) Department of Child, Family, & Community Sciences University of Central Florida Cocoa, Florida
1997-2003	Assistant Professor/Exceptional Education Coordinator Department of Child, Family, & Community Sciences University of Central Florida Cocoa, Florida

1995-1997 Temporary Assistant Professor
The University of Alabama
Tuscaloosa, Alabama

Summer, 1995 Adjunct Instructor
The University of Alabama
Tuscaloosa, Alabama

Spring, 1995 Graduate Teacher Instructor
The University of Alabama
Tuscaloosa, Alabama

1993-1994 Graduate Teaching Assistant
The University of Alabama
Tuscaloosa, Alabama

K-12 Schools

1992-1993 Resource Classroom Teacher
Mangham Junior High School
Richland Parish School Board
Mangham, Louisiana

1990-1992 Self-Contained Special Education Classroom Teacher
Rayville Elementary School
Richland Parish School Board
Rayville, Louisiana

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

Coordinator of Brevard Campus Exceptional Education Minor: (2014--present).

Exceptional Education Minor UCF/Cocoa (Brevard) Campus
Responsibilities include reviewing applications of students entering into the Ex. Ed. Minor at the Brevard campus; advising Ex. Ed. Minor students; planning Brevard's Ex.Ed minor schedule; planning recruitment sessions (for elementary majors); and guest lecture in education courses at Eastern Florida State College.

Coordinator: (1997-2015). Exceptional Education Program UCF/Cocoa (Brevard) Campus
Responsibilities include reviewing, evaluating, and interviewing all new student applications for admission into the Exceptional Education Program at the Brevard campus; planning orientation meeting for new Exceptional Education majors; maintain strong working relations with county school officials; selecting appropriate placement for all exceptional education student interns; recruit students for Brevard campus by visiting Brevard Community College's area campuses and conduct information session and guest lecturing in prerequisite education courses; strengthening community relations by serving as a liaison between the community, faculty, and students; and keeping the Department Chair apprised of Brevard Campus Exceptional Education Program issues (1997-2015) (2006-2007 duties were shared with Colleen Klein-Ezell-- August, 2007 re-assumed full coordinator role). Due to ending of Exceptional Education undergraduate program offerings across campuses, coordinator of Exceptional Education role at the area campus (Brevard) ended 2015 (Brevard Campus last Exceptional Education major graduated Fall 2015

HONORS AND AWARDS

2012 Outstanding Alumnus Award University of Louisiana – Monroe College of Education & Human Development. (2012, April 26)

President Appreciation Award for outstanding service as President of Florida Council for Exceptional Children (2006-2007)

Certificate of Appreciation in recognition of the contribution made as Faculty Advisor for UCF-Brevard Student Council for Exceptional Children (SCEC) Chapter #1050. (Certificates: 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006, 2005, 2004, 2003, 2002, 2001, 2000, 1999, 1998, 1997)

Council for Exceptional Children's (CEC) Susan Phillips Gorin Award for CEC Chapter Advisors, 2004. Recognition for exemplary personal and professional qualities and outstanding contributions to the CEC student membership and exceptional children. (International Award)

University of Central Florida Teaching Incentive Program (TIP) Award, 2003. \$5000 award added to salary base for outstanding university teaching

Award of Excellence. Awarded the Brevard County Public Schools' "Award of Excellence" for Area IV Schools for work with Enterprise Elementary (PDS) School. (April 18, 2002)

Recognition Award for outstanding service as President of Florida Division of Mental Retardation/Developmental Disabilities of Council for Exceptional Children (2001-2002)

Certificate of Appreciation for serving as Chair of Instructional Resources Committee for the University of Central Florida - College of Education. (2001-2002)

Certificate of Recognition for serving as Treasurer for the Division of Mental Retardation/Developmental Disabilities (MRDD) for Council for Exceptional Children (CEC). (1999 – 2002) (International Recognition)

"Web Vet" Status. Awarded from IDL 6543 in appreciation for peer teaching assistance as a faculty. (1999, Spring – Present)

RESEARCH AND CREATIVE ACTIVITIES

Research Interests:

- **Creative Performing Arts in Exceptional Education**
- **Creating Positive Social Experiences for Individuals with Disabilities**
- **Peer Buddy Programs as a Means for Inclusion and Acceptance**

- **Authentic Assessment/Portfolio Assessment techniques for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities**
- **Technology**
- **Professional Development School Partnerships**

Publications

Books and Chapters

Klein-Ezell, C., LaRusso, R., & Ezell, D. (2008). Alternate assessment for students with developmental disabilities. In H. P. Parette & G. R. Peterson-Karlan (Eds), *Research-based practices in developmental disabilities* (2nd ed., Chapter 21). Austin, TX : ProEd.

Klein-Ezell, C., LaRusso, R., & Ezell, D. (2008). Alternate assessment for students with developmental disabilities. In H. P. Parette and G.R. Peterson-Karlan (Eds), *Research-based practices in developmental disabilities instructor's manual* (2nd ed., pp. 155-164). Austin, TX : ProEd.

Klein, C. E., & Ezell, D. (2008). Technology for teaching and learning. In J. Olson, J. Platt, and L. Dieker (Eds). *Teaching children and adolescents with special needs*. (Chapter 11). Columbus, OH: Merrill.

Klein, C. E., & Ezell, D. (2004). Technology for teaching and learning. In J. Olson & J. Platt (Eds). *Teaching children and adolescents with special needs*. (Chapter 11). Columbus, OH: Merrill.

Ezell, D. (1998). Perspectives of mental retardation. In Beirne-Smith, M., Patton, J. R., Itenbach, R. (Eds.), *Mental retardation*, (5th ed.). New York: Macmillan.

Professional Journal Articles (refereed)

International/National

Klein-Ezell, C., Ezell, D., Stanley, S., & Powell, S. (2014, December). Character education using children's literature, puppets, magic tricks and balloon art. *International Journal of Humanities and Social Science*, 4(14), 1-15. (Peer-Reviewed International Journal)

Klein-Ezell, C.E., & Ezell, D. (2005). Use of portfolio assessment with students with cognitive disabilities/mental retardation. *Assessment for Effective Intervention*, 30(4), 15-23.

Thompson, J. R., & Ezell, D. (2005). Naming, defining, and classifying the condition (formerly) known as mental retardation. *Journal of Social Work in Disability &*

Rehabilitation, 4(3), 5-23.

Ezell, D., & Klein-Ezell, C. (2004). Using magic tricks for students with disabilities: Lights! Camera! Action! DDD Express, 14(4). In *Focus on Autism and Other Developmental Disorders*, 19(2), 1-2.

Ezell, D., & Klein-Ezell, C. (2003, December). M.A.G.I.C. W.O.R.K.S. (Motivating Activities Geared to Instilling Confidence—Wonderful Opportunities to Raise Kids Self-Esteem). *Education and Training in Developmental Disabilities*, 38(4), 441-450.

Ezell, D., & Klein, C. (2003, June). Impact of portfolio assessment on locus of control of students with and without disabilities. *Education and Training in Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities*, 38(2), 220-228.

Ezell-Powell, S., Welch, E., Ezell, D., Klein, C., & Smith, L. (2003, Summer). Should children receive medication for symptoms of Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder? *Peabody Journal of Education*, 78(3), 107-115.

Ezell, D., Klein, C., & Lee, T. (2002). Learning communities working together for the success for all students: A shared vision. *National Forum of Educational Administration and Supervision Journal*, 19(4), 3-10.

Ezell, D., Klein, C.E., & Ezell-Powell, S. (1999). Empowering students with mental retardation through portfolio assessment: A tool for fostering self-determination skills. *Education and Training in Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities*, 34(4), 453-463.

State

Ezell, D., & Klein, C. (2002). The Portfolio Assessment Criteria Checklist for teachers. *Florida Educational Leadership*, 2(2), 38-42.

Smith, L., Beard, L., & Ezell, D. (2001). AlphaSmart: Useful technology for students with disabilities. *The Carolina Colloquy's Electronic Journal of University Teaching and Learning*, 5(2), 1-3.

Ezell, D., & Klein, C. (2001). Nurture the partnership. *Pennsylvania Educational Leadership*, 30(2), 57-58.

Conference Proceedings, and Newsletters
(Peer Reviewed)

International/National

- Klein-Ezell, C., & Ezell, D. (2016). Addressing the Issue of Bullying – Improving Student Outcomes in Rural and Urban Schools. *Proceedings 2016 American Council on Rural Special Education (ACRES) National Conference*. Las Vegas.
- Klein-Ezell, C., & Ezell, D. (2015). Say “NO!” to Bullying: One Balloon at a Time. *Proceedings 2015 American Council on Rural Special Education (ACRES) National Conference*. New Orleans. (Peer-reviewed National Publication)
- Ezell, D., & Klein-Ezell, C. (2013, February). A New “Twist” to Anti-Bullying Lessons at PDS: Twisting Balloons to Convey the Message. *Proceedings 2013 Professional Development Schools National Conference*. New Orleans.
- Ezell, D., & Klein-Ezell, C. (2012, March). Creating Community Service Opportunities on Anti-Bullying in PDS Sites: One Balloon Animal at a Time. *Proceedings 2012 Professional Development Schools National Conference*. Las Vegas.
- Ezell, D., Klein-Ezell, C., & Smith, D. (2007, March). Learning Communities: Working Together for the Success of ALL Students. *Proceedings 2007 Professional Development Schools National Conference*. Las Vegas.
- Klein-Ezell, C., Ezell, D., Verry-Sidoran, L., Lee, T., Roth, R.S., Roddenberry, C., & Shannon, P. (2004, March). Project R.I.S.E.: Real inclusion for students with exceptionalities. *Proceedings of 2004 Professional Development Schools National Conference*. Orlando.
- Ezell, D., Klein, C.E., Hines, R., & Hall, K.S. (2003, March). Using WebQuests with students with disabilities. *Proceedings of California State University, Northridge (CSUN) Center on Disabilities International Technology and Persons with Disabilities Conference*. <http://www.csun.edu/cod/conf/2003/proceedings/104.htm>
- Smith, T.E.C., Sharpe, V., Ezell, D., Kainz, K., & Thompson, J. (2002). The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act DDD position on reauthorization. *MRDD Express*, 13(1), 6-7.
- Ezell, D., & Carper, K. (2001, Winter). Using SCEC to connect pre-service training with real classroom situations. *MRDD Express*, 12(2), 4.
- Pankaskie, S., & Ezell, D. (1998). Meeting critical teacher shortage needs in special education through distance learning. In H. Maurer & R.G. Olson. *Proceedings of WebNet 98 - World Conference of the WWW, Internet & Intranet*, 1, 1153-1154.
- Ezell, D., & Klein, C.E. (1996). Portfolios for students with behavioral disorders: Where do they

fit in? In C.R. Ellis & N. N. Singh. *Children and adolescents with emotional and behavioral disorders: Proceedings of the Sixth Annual Virginia Beach Conference*. Richmond, VA: Commonwealth Institute for Child and Family Studies, Medical College of Virginia, Virginia Commonwealth University.

State

Ezell, D., Klein, C., Kolmel, L., Stewart, S., Trasport, K. Schaller, R., Jennings, E., & Young, M. (2002). Using interactive folder games with individuals with mental retardation/developmental disabilities. *FL-MRDD Sunshine Express*, 1(1), 7-9.

Ezell, D., Brooks, B., & Klein, C. (2001). Making the connection: Students with MRDD taking ownership of their learning. *FL-MRDD Newsletter*, 7.

Ezell, D. (1999, Summer/Fall). Reflection on the 6th International Conference on Mental Retardation and Other Disabilities. *FL-MRDD Newsletter*.

Manuscript/Textbook Reviewer

Engaging troubling students: A critical constructivist approach. (2003). Manuscript reviewed for McGraw-Hill.

Positive behavior supports: Applications across educational environments. (2003). Manuscript reviewed for Prentice-Hall.

Conference Proposal Reviewer

Reviewer for Louisiana Council for Exceptional Children SuperConference Proposals. Fall, 2013.

Invited Editor

National

Miller, L., & Ezell, D. (1996-1999). Assistant Editor of Council for Educational Diagnostic Services (CEDS) Newsletter. *Communique*.

Non-Print Productions

Ezell, D. (2013, July). *Using Magic Tricks to Teach Preschool Skills – Part 5*. DVD developed for Southeastern Louisiana University Louisiana Early Education Program (LEEP) grant

Ezell, D. (2012, July). *Using Magic Tricks to Teach Preschool Skills – Part 4*. DVD developed for Southeastern Louisiana University Louisiana Early Education Program (LEEP) grant.

Ezell, D. (2011, June). *Using Magic Tricks to Teach Preschool Skills – Part 3*. DVD developed

for Southeastern Louisiana University Louisiana Early Education Program (LEEP) grant.

Ezell, D. (2010, June). Using Magic Tricks to Teach Preschool Skills – Part 2. DVD developed for Southeastern Louisiana University Louisiana Early Education Program (LEEP) grant.

Ezell, D. (2009, September). Using Magic Tricks to Teach Preschool Skills. DVD developed for Southeastern Louisiana University Teacher Collaboration in Early Childhood Inclusive Settings grant.

Other Publications

Ezell, D. (August, 2005). MAGIC BUDDIES workshop manual. (For Brevard County Public Schools in-service session).

Ezell, D. (1999, July). *Competencies elementary education teachers need for accommodating students with disabilities in the language arts curriculum.* (Grant document submitted to UCF Office of Sponsored Research)

Ezell, D. L. (1995). A comparative analysis of eighth-grade students' locus of control and their involvement in the portfolio assessment process (Doctoral dissertation, The University of Alabama, 1995). *Dissertation Abstracts International*, 56, 3927.

Russell, T., & Ezell, D. (1994). *Bibb County School System special education services evaluation plan.* Bibb County School Board. Bibb County, Alabama.

Grants and Other Funded Projects

Principle Investigator for *FIN/UCF-Brevard Florida Inclusion Network Grant.* (2010-2011). Supporting the implementation of research-based, effective instructional practices to increase inclusion of students with disabilities. Grant serves Brevard, Martin, St. Lucie, and Okeechobee Counties. FL DOE Grant – IDEA Part B Funds \$260000.

Principle Investigator for *FIN/UCF-Brevard Florida Inclusion Network Grant.* (2009-2010). Supporting the implementation of research-based, effective instructional practices to increase inclusion of students with disabilities. Grant serves Brevard, Martin, St. Lucie, and Okeechobee Counties. FL DOE Grant – IDEA Part B Funds \$260000.

Principle Investigator for *FIN/UCF-Brevard Florida Inclusion Network Grant.* (2008-2009). Supporting the implementation of research-based, effective instructional practices to increase inclusion of students with disabilities. Grant serves Brevard, Martin, St. Lucie, and Okeechobee Counties. FL DOE Grant – IDEA Part B Funds \$260000.

Principle Investigator for *FIN/UCF-Brevard Florida Inclusion Network Grant.* (2007-2008). Supporting the implementation of research-based, effective instructional practices to

increase inclusion of students with disabilities. Grant serves Brevard, Martin, St. Lucie, and Okeechobee Counties. FL DOE Grant – IDEA Part B Funds \$260000.

Principle Investigator for *FIN/UCF-Brevard Florida Inclusion Network Grant*. (2006-2007). Supporting the implementation of research-based, effective instructional practices to increase inclusion of students with disabilities. Grant serves Brevard, Martin, St. Lucie, and Okeechobee Counties. FL DOE Grant – IDEA Part B Funds \$260000.

Principle Investigator for *FIN/UCF-Brevard Florida Inclusion Network Grant*. (2005-2006). Supporting the implementation of research-based, effective instructional practices to increase inclusion of students with disabilities. Grant serves Brevard, Martin, St. Lucie, and Okeechobee Counties. FL DOE Grant – IDEA Part B Funds \$260000.

Principle Investigator for *FIN/UCF-Brevard Florida Inclusion Network Grant*. (2004-2005). Supporting the implementation of research-based, effective instructional practices to increase inclusion of students with disabilities. Grant serves Brevard, Martin, St. Lucie, and Okeechobee Counties. FL DOE Grant – IDEA Part B Funds \$275000.

Principle Investigator for *Project MAGIC BUDDIES*. Toni Jennings Exceptional Education Institute Grant. \$6000.

Principle Investigator for *FIN/UCF-Brevard Florida Inclusion Network Grant*. (2002-2004). Supporting the implementation of research-based, effective instructional practices to increase inclusion of students with disabilities. Grant serves Brevard, Martin, St. Lucie, and Okeechobee Counties. FL DOE Grant – IDEA Part B Funds \$275000.

Principle Investigator for *Universal Access Station*. (2002-2003). Toni Jennings Exceptional Education Institute Grant. \$4584.

Co-Principle Investigator for *FYI – First Year In*. Partnership with Brevard County School Board to provide support for first year exceptional education teachers who graduated from UCF-Brevard in Ex. Ed. Program (2002-2003). Toni Jennings Exceptional Education Institute Grant. \$3000.

Co-Principle Investigator for *STEP: Strengthening Ties in the Community with Electronic Portfolios*. Working with Enterprise Elementary (PDS School) to develop electronic portfolios for teachers and their students. (2000-2001). Toni Jennings Exceptional Education Institute Grant. \$2860.

Principle Investigator for *Accommodating Students with Disabilities in the Language Arts Curriculum*. Worked with Dr. Williams, Dr. Klein, and elementary/exceptional education majors to identify ways to accommodate students with disabilities in Language Arts Curriculum. University of Central Florida Office of the Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies. In-House Grant. \$6,888.

Principle Investigator for *Distributed Learning Grant, Web Based Course: EEX 5051*. To develop a totally web-based course for the university. \$8000.

Papers Presented at Professional Conferences (Peer Reviewed)

International Conferences

Klein-Ezell, C., Ezell, D., SCEC #796, & SCEC #1050. (2013, April). *Make-and-Take: Addressing the Issues of Bullying – One Balloon Animal at a Time*. International Council for Exceptional Children Conference. San Antonio.

Klein-Ezell, C., Ezell, D., SCEC #796, & SCEC #1050. (2012, April). *Make-and-Take: Creating Entertaining Anti-Bullying Lessons Using Balloon Art*. International Council for Exceptional Children Conference. Denver.

Klein-Ezell, C., Ezell, D., SCEC #1050, & SCEC #796. (2009, April). *Make and Take Session: Creative Activities for Building Character of Individuals with Developmental Disabilities*. International Council for Exceptional Children Conference. Seattle.

Klein-Ezell, C., Ezell, D., Ezell-Powell, S., & Stanley, S. (2008, October). *Character Education using Stories, Puppets, Magic, and Balloon Art*. International Conference on Cognitive Disabilities/Mental Retardation, Autism, & Other Developmental Disabilities. San Diego.

Ezell, D., Klein, C.E., Ezell-Powell S., & Stanley, S. (2008, April). *Building Character of Individuals With Developmental Disabilities Through Stories, Puppets, Magic, and Balloon Art: A Make and Take Session*. International Council for Exceptional Children Conference. Boston.

Verry-Sidoran, L., Ezell, D., & Samblis, K. (2008, April). *Using Differentiated Instruction for Positive Changes in Preservice Teachers' Attitudes*. International Council for Exceptional Conference. Boston.

Klein-Ezell, C. E., Ezell, D., Williamson, V., Freeman, J., Eazsol, J., Kasica, J., McMahon, S., Wagner, K., & Gross, E. (2006, April). *Developing a Black Light Learning Environment to help Children with Developmental and Cognitive Disabilities to Stop! Look! Listen!: A Make and Take Session*. International Conference of the Council for Exceptional Children. Salt Lake City, UT.

Fuller, D., Klein-Ezell, C.E., & Ezell, D. (2006, April). *Exploring the Dimensions of Diversity*. International Conference of the Council for Exceptional Children. Salt Lake City, UT.

Ezell, D., & Klein-Ezell, C. E. (2006, April). *M.A.G.I.C. B.U.D.D.I.E.S. (Motivating Activities*

Geared toward Instilling Confidence...Building Upon Differences for the Dynamic Inclusion of Exceptional Students). International Conference of the Council for Exceptional Children. Salt Lake City, UT.

Ezell, D., Klein-Ezell, C.E., Morrell, K., Sammon, J., Albrecht, J., Ramsey, D., Campbell, D., McKenzie, R. (2005, April). *Make and Take Magic and Black Light Theater Activities: An Ultraviolet Experience*. International Conference of the Council for Exceptional Children. Baltimore, MD.

Ezell, D., Klein-Ezell, C., Cerve, C., Hansen, J., McCormack, T., & Triolo, C. (2004, April). *Make & Take Magic Tricks – Part II: Enhancing Students with Developmental Disabilities Self-Esteem & Motor Skills*. International Conference of the Council for Exceptional Children. New Orleans, LA. (Presented with UCF undergraduate students).

Carper, K., Verry-Sidoran, L., Ezell, D., & Klein-Ezell, C. (2004, April). *Project LIFE: Life-long Inclusion for Everyone*. International Conference of the Council for Exceptional Children. New Orleans, LA. (Presented with UCF doctoral student).

Ezell, D., Klein, C., Spaulding, C., Roth, R.A., Decker, T., Murphy, T., Golden, J., Lanza, L., & Meints, L. (2003, April). *Make and take magic tricks: Enhancing students with developmental disabilities self-esteem and motor skills*. International Conference of the Council for Exceptional Children. Seattle, WA.

Carpenter, L., Smith, L., Beard, L. A., Ezell, D., K., & Klein, C. (2003, April). *Course delivery: Does setting affect pre-service teachers' attitudes toward inclusion?* International Conference of the Council for Exceptional Children. Seattle, WA.

Ezell, D., & Klein, C. E. (2003, February). *MAGIC WORKS: Motivating activities geared to instilling confidence-Wonderful opportunities to raise kids' self-esteem*. International Conference on Cognitive Disabilities/Mental Retardation, Autism, and Related Disabilities. Poipu, Kauai, HI.

Thompson, J.R., & Ezell, D. (2003, February). *Naming, defining, and classifying the condition (formerly?) known as mental retardation*. Paper presented at 8th International Conference on Cognitive Disabilities/Mental Retardation, Autism, and Related Disabilities. The Council for Exceptional Children Division on Developmental Disabilities Conference. Poipu, Kauai, Hawaii.

Ezell, D., Klein, C., Kolmel, L., Romans, B., Trasport, K. & Schaller, R., (2002, April). *Using interactive file folder games for students with mental retardation and developmental disabilities*. International Conference of the Council for Exceptional Children. New York City, NY.

Ezell, D., & Lee, T. (2002, March). *Choices: A key ingredient for true collaboration*. Paper presented at 2002 Professional Development Schools National Conference. Orlando, FL.

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- Klein, C., Ezell, D., Koeltzow, T., Bedford, D., Suomi, R., Rist, B., Snyder, J., & Vance, B. (2001, April). *Assistive technology on a shoestring: Inexpensive make-it and take-it adaptive classroom devices*. International Conference of the Council for Exceptional Children. Kansas City, MO.
- Ezell, D., & Lee, T. (2001, January). *Creating shared visions through the Holmes Partnership Model*. Paper presented at The Holmes Partnership 5th Annual National Conference. Albuquerque, New Mexico.
- Ezell, D., Aeschliman, S., Graham, L., Padora, J., Perner, D., & Umbarger, G. (2000, April). *Calling all unit officers and members/students: Preparing CEC's next generation of leaders*. Paper presented at Council for Exceptional Children National Conference. Vancouver, Canada.
- Ezell, D., & Walker-Knight, D. (2000, January). *Experiences in a PDS site that fosters inclusion*. Table top presentation made at 4th Annual Holmes Partnership National Conference. Cincinnati, OH.
- Ezell, D., Baird, B., Lavooy, M., & Lamme-Merritt, S. (1999, May). *Out of the box and into the bag*. Paper presented at the Eighth Annual Campus Compact National Center for Community Colleges Conference. Scottsdale, AZ.
- Ezell, D., & Klein, C.E. (1999, April). *Accommodating students with disabilities in the language arts curriculum*. International Conference of the Council for Exceptional Children. Charlotte, NC.
- Ezell, D., & Klein, C.E. (1999, February). *Empowering students with mental retardation through portfolio assessment: A tool for fostering self-advocacy and self-regulatory behaviors*. International Conference on Mental Retardation and Other Developmental Disabilities. Maui, HI.
- Pankaskie, S., & Ezell, D. (1998, November). *Meeting critical teacher shortage needs in special education through distance learning*. Paper presented at International WebNet Conference '98. Orlando, FL.
- Ezell, D., & Klein, C. E. (October, 1998). *Guiding educational diagnosticians in assessing the transitional needs of students with disabilities through the use of portfolio assessment*. International Topical Conference of the Council for Educational Diagnostic Services (CEDS). Las Vegas, NV.
- Ezell, D., & Pankaskie, S. (1998, October). *Netway to exceptional education: High tech/high touch*. Paper presented at International Educomm '98 Conference. Orlando, FL.

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- Ezell, D., & Klein, C.E. (1998, April). *Meeting specific needs of students with mental retardation through portfolio assessment*. International Conference of the Council for Exceptional Children. Minneapolis, MN.
- Klein, C.E., & Ezell, D. (1998, April). *Using portfolio assessment at the university level: Practicing what you teach - Part II*. International Conference of the Council for Exceptional Children. Minneapolis, MN.
- Klein, C.E., & Ezell, D. (1997, April). *Practice what you teach: Using portfolio assessment at the university level*. International Conference of the Council for Exceptional Children. Salt Lake City, UT.
- Ezell, D., Klein, C.E., Carpenter, L. B., & Powell, S. (1996, October) *Transitioning services through portfolios*. International Conference on Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities. Austin, TX.
- Russell, T., Ezell, D., Ezell-Powell, S., & Carpenter, L. (1996, April). *Portfolio assessment and whole language: Keys to successful transition*. Paper presented at the Council for Exceptional Children National Conference. Orlando, FL.
- Ezell, D. (1995, November). *Portfolios that inform educational diagnosticians: How to shape and interpret them in performance assessment*. Paper presented at the Council for Educational Diagnostic Services (CEDS), International Topical Conference. New Orleans, LA.

National Conferences

- Klein-Ezell, C., & Ezell, D. (2016). Addressing the Issue of Bullying – Improving Student Outcomes in Rural and Urban Schools. *2016 American Council on Rural Special Education (ACRES) National Conference*. Las. Vegas.
- Klein-Ezell, C., & Ezell, D. (March 20, 2015). *Say “NO!” to Bullying: One Balloon at a Time*. *2015 American Council on Rural Special Education (ACRES) National Conference*. New Orleans.
- Ezell, D., & Klein-Ezell, C. (2014). *Just Say “NO!” to Bullying: Using Balloon Art to Spread the Message*. 2014 Professional Development Schools National Conference, Las Vegas, NV
- Ezell, D., & Klein-Ezell, C. (2013, February). *A New “Twist” to Anti-Bullying Lessons at PDS: Twisting Balloons to Convey the Message*. 2013 Professional Development Schools National Conference, New Orleans.
- Ezell, D., & Klein-Ezell, C. (2012, March). *Creating community service opportunities on anti-bullying in PDS sites: One balloon animal at a time*. 2012 Professional Development

Schools National Conference. *Las Vegas, NV*

Ezell, D., Klein-Ezell, C., & Smith, D. (2007, March). *Learning communities: Working together for the success of ALL students*. 2007 Professional Development Schools National Conference. Las Vegas, NV

Stanley, S., Ezell-Powell, S., Ezell, D., & Klein-Ezell, C.E. (2004, October). *Lights! Camera! Action! Using magic tricks with students with developmental delays and cognitive disabilities*. Council for Exceptional Children Division on Developmental Disabilities National Conference. Las Vegas, NV.

Klein-Ezell, C.E., Ezell, D., & Verry-Sidoran, L. (2004, October). *Project R.I.S.E.: Real inclusion for students with exceptionalities*. Council for Exceptional Children Division on Developmental Disabilities National Conference. Las Vegas, NV.

Klein-Ezell, C., Ezell, D., Verry-Sidoran, L., Lee, T., Roth, R.A., Roddenberry, C., Shannon, P. (2004, March). *Project R.I.S.E.: Real inclusion for students with exceptionalities*. Professional Development Schools National Conference. Orlando, FL.

State Conferences

Invited Speaker: Ezell, D. (2016, January 25, 2016). *Magic builds social competence*. LA-CEC 2016 SuperConference, Lafayette, LA. (Invited Speaker – State Conference)

Invited Speaker: Ezell, D. (2016, January 26, 2016). *Magic builds character: An anti- anti-bullying program* LA-CEC 2016 SuperConference, Lafayette, LA. (Invited Speaker – State Conference)

Invited Speaker: Ezell, D. (2015, January 26, 2015). *Don't Listen to the "Knots" - Creating Positive Magical Experiences*. LA-CEC 2015 SuperConference, Lafayette, LA. (Invited Speaker – State Conference)

Ezell, D. (2014, October). *Twisting Balloons for Meaningful Anti-Bullying Messages*. FL-CEC 2014 Conference, Orlando, FL.

Invited Speaker: Ezell, D. (2014, January 27). *Making Magical Connections with Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS)*. LA-CEC 2014 SuperConference, Lafayette, LA

Klein-Ezell, C., Ezell, D., & SCEC #796 Members. (2013, January 28). *Creating hands-on activities: Anti-bullying lessons using balloon art (The Bee Bully)*. LA-CEC 2013 SuperConference, Lafayette, LA.

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- Klein-Ezell, C., Ezell, D., & SCEC #796 Members. (2012, January 30). *Make and take: Anti-bullying lessons using balloon art (Nora the Nonapus)*. LA-CEC 2012 SuperConference, Lafayette, LA.
- Klein-Ezell, C., Ezell, D., & SCEC #796 Members. (2011, January 24). *Billy Bully "Make and take": Anti-bullying ideas using stories and balloon art*. Make and Take Demonstration Session. LA-CEC 2011 SuperConference, Lafayette, LA.
- Klein-Ezell, C., Ezell, D., & SCEC #796 Members. (2010, January 26). *Nora the Nonapus: "Make and take" character education using stories and balloon art*. Make and Take demonstration session. LA-CEC 2010 SuperConference, Lafayette, LA.
- Ezell, D., Klein-Ezell, C.E., Ezell-Powell, S., Stanley, S., & #1050 SCEC Members. (2008, October). *Make and take Session: Character education using stories, puppets, magic and balloon art*. Florida Council for Exceptional Children Conference. Sarasota.
- Klein-Ezell, C.E., Ezell, D., Williamson, V., Freeman, J., Eazsol, J., Kasica, J., Zimpfer, J., McMahan, S., Vona, M., Dixson, M., Patch, K., Bula, S., & Gross, B. (2005, October). *Attention, please! Using a black light environment to help sustain student attention*. Florida Council for Exceptional Children Conference. Cocoa Beach, FL.
- Ezell, D., Klein-Ezell, C.E., Morrell, K., Tucker, T., Patch, K., Sammon, J. McKenzie, R., Albrecht, J., Ramsey, D., Campbell, D., Smith, S. (2004, October). *Magic and black light theater instruction: A make and take experience*. Florida Council for Exceptional Children Conference. Jacksonville, FL
- Ezell, D., Klein-Ezell, C., Cerve, C., Hansen, J., Harrilal, K., Hayes, J., McCormack, T., Richards, C., & Triolo, C. (2003, October). *Make & take magic tricks: Enhancing students with developmental disabilities self-esteem and motor skills*. Florida Federation of Council for Exceptional Children. Orlando, FL.
- Ezell, D., Klein, C., Spaulding, C., Roth, R.A., Decker, T., Murphy, T., Golden, J., Lanza, L., & Meints, L. (2003, March). *Make and take magic tricks for students with cognitive disabilities*. Florida Division on Developmental Disabilities Conference. Orlando, FL.
- Ezell, D., Klein, C., Cerve, C., Hansen, J., Harrilal, K., Hayes, J., McCormack, T., Richards, C., & Triolo, C. (2003, March). *Make and take magic tricks for students with cognitive disabilities*. Florida Division on Developmental Disabilities Conference. Orlando, FL.
- Ezell, D., & Klein, C.E. (2003, February). *M.A.G.I.C. W.O.R.K.S: Motivating activities geared to instilling confidence---Wonderful opportunities to raise kid's self-esteem*. Pacific Rim Conference. Waikiki, HI.
- Thompson, J.R., & Ezell, D. (2003, February). *Naming, defining, and classifying the condition*

(formerly?) known as mental retardation. Roundtable discussion session presented at 2003 Pacific Rim Conference. Waikiki, Hawaii.

Ezell, D., Klein, C., Roth, R.A., Spaulding, C., Lanza, L., Golden, J., Decker, T., Murphy, T., & Meints, L. (2002, October). *Learning strategies through S.K.I.T.S. (Strategic Kid Inclusion Techniques for Schools)*. Florida Council for Exceptional Children Conference. St. Petersburg, FL.

Ezell, D., Klein, C.,E., Stewart, S., Jennings, E., Kolmel, L., Romans, B., Trasport, K., & Schaller, R. (2002, March). *Using interactive file folder games for students with mental retardation and developmental disabilities*. Florida MRDD Annual Drive-In Conference. Orlando, FL.

Ezell, D., & Klein, C.E. (2000, February). *Using skits to teach learning strategies in an Inclusive setting*. Alabama Federation Council for Exceptional Children. Tuscaloosa, AL.

Ezell, D., & Klein, C. E., & Aeschliman, S. (1999, October). *Learning strategies through S.K.I.T.S. (Strategic Kid Inclusion Techniques for Schools)*. Florida Federation Council for Exceptional Children. Orlando, FL.

Ezell, D., Klein, C. E., & Lee, T. (1999, October). *Creating shared visions through the Holmes Partnership Model*. Florida Federation Council for Exceptional Children. Orlando, FL.

Ezell, D., Brooks, B., & Azcueta, G. (1999, October). *Kindergarten writing centers*. Workshop presented at Florida Federation Council for Exceptional Children. Orlando, FL. (Presented with UCF undergraduate students).

Ezell, D., & Klein, C.E. (1999, February). *Empowering students with mental retardation through portfolio assessment: A tool for fostering self-advocacy and self-regulatory behaviors*. Pacific Rim Conference on Disabilities. Honolulu, HI.

Ezell, D., Klein, C.E., & Aeschliman, S. (1999, February). *Accommodating students with disabilities in the language arts curriculum: What elementary teachers need to know*. Alabama Federation Council for Exceptional Children Conference. Auburn, AL

Morgan, C., Ezell, D., & Ezell-Powell, S. (1999, February). *Student attitudes regarding distance learning course delivery*. Paper presented at Alabama Federation Council for Exceptional Children Conference. Auburn, AL. (Presented with UCF graduate student).

Ezell, D., & Klein, C.E. (1997, October). *Providing transition services through portfolios for students with mental retardation*. Florida Federation Council for Exceptional Children Conference. Orlando, FL.

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- Klein, C.E., & Ezell, D. (1997, March). *Using portfolios for providing transitional services for students with mental disabilities*. Louisiana Super Conference on Special Education: Celebrating differences: Learning from each other. Baton Rouge.
- Ezell, D., & Burrows, B. (1997, February). *Meeting the needs of students with physical disabilities*. Paper presented at the Alabama Federation Council for Exceptional Children Super Conference. Montgomery, AL. (Presented with University of Alabama undergraduate student).
- Russell, T., Ezell, D., Ezell-Powell, S., & Carpenter, L. (1996, January). *Portfolio assessment and whole language: Keys to successful transition*. Paper presented at Alabama Federation Council for Exceptional Children Super Conference Mobile, AL.
- Yates, C., Klein, C. E., & Ezell, D. L. (1995, March). *Interdisciplinary assistive technology training modules*. Florida Assistive Technology Impact Conference/Technology and Media Division Conference. Orlando, FL.
- Ezell, D. L., & Klein, C. E. (1995, February). *Reading by the colors: Scotopic Sensitivity Syndrome*. Alabama Council for Exceptional Children Super Conference. Tuscaloosa, AL.
- Russell, T., Ezell, D., Ezell-Powell, S., & Carpenter, L.B. (1995, February). *AAMR definition and its implications on classroom teachers and special education practices*. Paper presented at Alabama Federation Council for Exceptional Children Super Conference in Tuscaloosa, AL.
- Klein, C. E., & Ezell, D. L. (1994, November). *Scotopic Sensitivity Syndrome - What it is all about*. Mississippi Council for Exceptional Children Conference. Jackson, MS.

Local Conferences

- Klein, C. E., & Ezell, D. (1995, June). *Portfolio assessment - Will it work for students with disabilities?* Mississippi Performance-Based Assessment Conference. Hattiesburg, MS.

KEYNOTE, WORKSHOPS, INSTITUTES, AND SEMINARS/IN-SERVICES

Keynote Speaker/Invited

- Invited Speaker: Ezell, D. (2015, January 27, 2015). *Just say "NO!" to bullying - One Balloon Animal at a Time*. LA-CEC 2015 SuperConference, Lafayette, LA. (Invited Speaker – State Conference)

Invited Speaker: Ezell, D. (2015, January 26, 2015). *Don't Listen to the "Knots" - Creating Positive Magical Experiences*. LA-CEC 2015 SuperConference, Lafayette, LA. (Invited Speaker – State Conference)

Ezell, D. (2014, January 27). *Making magical connections with Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS)*. Invited Speaker for a 2-hour session. LA-CEC 2014. SuperConference, Lafayette, LA.

Ezell, D. (2013, December 6). *Teachers make dreams come true*. Keynote Speaker. Brevard Future Educators 13th Annual Conference, Melbourne, FL.

Ezell, D. (2013, January 29). *Magical positive social experience for inclusive environments*. Invited Speaker for a 2-hour session. LA-CEC 2013. SuperConference, Lafayette, LA.

Ezell, D. (2012, January 31). *Using magic tricks to create positive social experiences for students with disabilities*. Invited Speaker for a 2-hour session. LA-CEC 2012 SuperConference, Lafayette, LA.

Ezell, D. (2011, January 24). *The magic of inclusion*. Invited Speaker for a 2-hour session. LA-CEC 2011 SuperConference, Lafayette, LA.

Ezell, D. (2010, January 25). *The magic of inclusion: Using entertainment to enhance social interactions*. Invited Speaker for a 2-hour session. LA-CEC 2010 SuperConference, Lafayette, LA.

Ezell, D. (2004, July 20). Invited Keynote Speaker. *The magic of inclusion*. Florida Inclusion Network (FIN) Summer Institute: Building Inclusive Schools.

Workshops

Ezell, D. (2016, January). *The magic of inclusion: Using magic to enhance inclusive practices*. Pre-service workshop for Southeastern Louisiana University – SPED 442 Professional Development. Department of Teaching and Learning. Hammond, LA.

Ezell, D. (2015, October). *The magic of inclusion: Using magic to enhance inclusive practices*. Pre-service workshop for Southeastern Louisiana University – SPED 495 Professional Development. Department of Teaching and Learning. Hammond, LA.

Ezell, D. (2015, June). *The magic of inclusion: The importance of social inclusion of children with disabilities with their non-disabled peers*. In-service workshop for Educator's Summer Institute. Department of Child, Family, & Community Sciences. Orlando, FL.

Ezell, D. (2015, March). *The magic of inclusion: Using magic to enhance inclusive practices*.

Pre-service workshop for Southeastern Louisiana University. Department of Teaching and Learning. Hammond, LA.

Ezell, D. (2014, January). *The magic of inclusion: Using magic to enhance inclusive practices*. Pre-service workshop for Southeastern Louisiana University. Department of Teaching and Learning. Hammond, LA.

Ezell, D. (2013, January). *The magic of inclusion: Using magic to enhance inclusive practices*. Pre-service workshop for Southeastern Louisiana University. Department of Teaching and Learning. Hammond, LA.

Ezell, D. (2012, January). *The magic of inclusion: Using magic to enhance inclusive practices*. Pre-service workshop for Southeastern Louisiana University. Department of Teaching and Learning. Hammond, LA.

Ezell, D. (2009, February). *The magic of inclusion: Best practices for early childhood*. All day workshop for Southeastern Louisiana University, Teacher Collaboration in Early Childhood Inclusive Settings grant. Hammond, LA.

Ezell, D., & Qualls, T. (2005, August). M.A.G.I.C. B.U.D.D.I.E.S. Workshop for Brevard County School Board. Satellite Beach, FL.

Ezell, D., & Klein-Ezell, C.E. (2004, November). *Creating Magical Presentations*. Workshop for Florida Speaker's Bureau. St. Petersburg, FL

Ezell, D. (2004, March). *Intel® Teach to the Future*. Optional workshop for EEX 4003 and EEX 3243 students. University of Central Florida-Brevard. Cocoa, FL

Ezell, D. (2003, March). *Intel® Teach to the Future*. Optional workshop for EEX 4003 and EEX 3243 students. University of Central Florida-Brevard.

Institutes

Ezell, D. (2014, July). *Early Literacy and Language*. All day workshop for LEEP 2014 Summer Institute. Southeastern Louisiana University. Monroe, LA.

Ezell, D. (2013, July). *Introduction to early intervention: Developmental domains*. All day workshop for LEEP 2013 Summer Institute. Southeastern Louisiana University. Monroe, LA.

Ezell, D. (2012, July). *Introduction to early intervention: Developmental domains*. All day workshop for LEEP 2012 Summer Institute. Southeastern Louisiana University. Monroe, LA.

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- Ezell, D. (2011, July). *Language and literacy development for young children with disabilities: The magic of early literacy*. All day workshop for LEEP 2011 Summer Institute. Southeastern Louisiana University. Monroe, LA.
- Ezell, D. (2010, July). *Introduction to early intervention: Developmental domains*. All day workshop for LEEP 2010 Summer Institute. Southeastern Louisiana University. Monroe, LA.
- Klein-Ezell, C., & Ezell, D. (2005, July). *Instructional program implementation for young children with disabilities*. All day workshop for LEEP 2005 Summer Institute, Southeastern Louisiana University. Shreveport, LA.
- Klein-Ezell, C., & Ezell, D. (2004, June) *The exceptional family*. Workshop for LEEP 2004 Summer Institute, Southeastern Louisiana University, Shreveport, LA.
- Ezell, D. (2003, July). *Assessing adaptive behavior skills of young children with special needs*. Workshop for LEEP 2003 Summer Institute, Southeastern Louisiana University. Hammond, LA
- Ezell, D. (2002, July). *Working with children who have cerebral palsy and other developmental disabilities*. Workshop for LEEP 2002 Summer Institute, Southeastern Louisiana University. Hammond, LA
- Ezell, D. (2001, July). *Collaborating with families of children with disabilities*. Workshop for LEEP 2001 Summer Institute, Southeastern Louisiana University. Hammond, LA

Seminar/In-Service

- Ezell, D., & Klein, C. (2001, February). *Understanding disabilities (+) understanding motivation (=) motivating individuals with disabilities*. In-service for staff of Brevard Achievement Center. Rockledge, FL.

TEACHING

Courses Taught at the University of Central Florida

Graduate

- EEX 7967 Personnel Preparation –Exceptional Education (Doctoral Course)
- EEX 5051 Exceptional Children in the Schools
- EEX 6061 Instructional Strategies PK-6
- EEX 6065 Instructional Strategies 6-12

EEX 6342 Critical Issues

EEX 6946 Graduate Internship

Undergraduate

EEX 4751 Parent Involvement in Education

EEX 3450 Young Children with Special Needs

EEX 3221 Assessment of Exceptional Students

EEX 2010/3010 Introduction to Exceptional Education

EEX 3102 Language Development and Communicative Disorders

EEX 3241 Methods for Academic Skills for Exceptional Students

EEX 3243 Techniques for Exceptional Adolescents-Adults

EDE 3943 Internship I

EEX 4003 Teaching Exceptional Students in the General Education Classroom

EEX 4066 Curriculum & Instructional Strategies for Students with Special Needs

EEX 4601 Introduction to Behavior Management

EDE 4943 Internship II

Courses Taught at The University of Alabama

Graduate

SPE 500 Graduate Introduction to Special Education & Practicum

SPE 502 Advanced Behavior Management

SPE 541 Psychology of Mental Retardation & Practicum

SPE 542 Graduate Methods in Mental Retardation

SPE 549 Graduate Internship in Mental Retardation

SPE 609 Practicum in Special Education (Doctoral Course)

SPE 612 Research in Special Education (Doctoral Course)

SPE 644 Trends & Issues in Mental Retardation (Doctoral Course)

Undergraduate

SPE 102 Introduction to Special Education & Practicum
SPE 219/319 Mental Retardation Practicum
SPE 241/341 Introduction to Mental Retardation
SPE 300 Mainstreaming & Practicum
SPE 319 Emotional Conflict Practicum
SPE 331 Introduction to Emotional Conflict
SPE 342 Methods in Mental Retardation
SPE 499 Internship in Mild Learning Behavior Disorders (MLBD)

University of Central Florida Independent Study, Dissertation, Thesis, Research Supervision

Honors in the Major Thesis/Chair: Courtney Roy (2012-2014)

Honors in the Major Thesis/Chair: Shannon Bauman (2011-2012)

Honors in the Major Thesis/Committee Member: Anya Kroytor (2011-2012)

College of Education Dissertation Committee/Chair: Marybeth Thomas

College of Education Dissertation Committee/Co-Chair: Kimberly Spence-Cochran

Honors in the Major Committee: Jamie DeRusso (Evaluating technology software tools used in a balanced literacy program); Mary Ann Golinvaux (The selection of children's literature for teaching values and ethics through the use of art forms)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

University of Central Florida Committees

University of Central Florida Brevard Campus Advisory Committee (2000 – Present)

University of Central Florida Brevard Campus Honors Committee (1997-1999)

College of Education Committees

College of Education Undergraduate Curriculum and Standards Committee (2012-2014) – Alternate.

College of Education Brevard Advisory Team Committee (1997 –Present)

College of Education Honors in the Major Thesis Committee (Courtney Roy: 2012-2014; Jamie DeRusso: 2001-2003; Mary Ann Golinvaux: 2000 – 2002)

College of Education Undergraduate Admissions and Retentions Committee (2008-2006; 2004-2006; 2000-2002)

UCF School and Community School Partnership (Formally: UCF/OSC Holmes Partnership) PDS Executive Council Committee (1999 – 2012; Secretary: 2004-2005; Co-Chair: 2005-2007; Chair 2007- 2008)

College of Education Faculty Search Committees (Served on 9– 1997 – 2008)

Exceptional Education Program Area Student Issues Committee (1997 – 2007; Chair: 2001-2002)

College of Education Field Experience Advisory Committee (1997 –2008)

College of Education Clinical Experience Advisory Committee (2004-2008)

UCF School and Community School Partnership (Formally: UCF/OSC Holmes Partnership) PDS Site Council Committee (1998 – 2012)

UCF School and Community School Partnership (Formally: UCF/OSC Holmes Partnership) PDS Membership Committee (1998-2012)

College of Education Child, Family, and Community Sciences Department Chair Search Committee (2004-2005)

College of Education Promotion and Tenure Committee (2003-2005)

College of Education Dissertation Committee (Marybeth Thomas (Chair) 2004-2005; Kimberly Spence-Cochran (Co-Chair) 2002-2004)

College of Education Instructional Resources Committee (Chair: 2001-2002; 2002-2003; 2003-2004)

Master Mentor Grant Steering Committee (1999 – 2000). Brevard County/UCF College of Education Joint Collaboration

College of Education Grants & Awards Committee (1998-2000)

College of Education Faculty Marshal (Spring, 1997)

College of Education Minority Programs in Education Advisory Council (1997 – 1998)

College of Education Technology Committee (1997-1998)

College of Education Honors in Major Committee (1997-1998)

College of Education (The University of Alabama) Graduate Comprehensive Exam Committee (1996-1997)

College of Engineering (The University of Alabama) Recruitment and Retention of Women and Minorities Committee (1995-1997)

College of Engineering (The University of Alabama) Alternative Assessment and Evaluation Committee (1995-1997)

College of Education (The University of Alabama) Teacher Evaluation Program (TEP) Committee (1995-1997)

College of Education (The University of Alabama) Registration/Advisement for Special Education Committee (1995-1997)

College of Education (The University of Alabama) NCATE Syllabi Revision Committee (1995-1997)

National, Regional, State, and Local Committees

Florida Council for Exceptional Children (FCEC) Conference Program Planning Committee (Chair) (State) (2004-2008)

Florida Council for Exceptional Children (FCEC) Session Selection Committee (Chair) (State) (2004 – 2008)

Florida Council for Exceptional Children (FCEC) Entertainment Committee (Chair) (State) (2004 – 2005)

Florida Council for Exceptional Children (FCEC) Exhibitors/Key Note Speakers Committee (State) (2004-2006)

Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) Division on Developmental Disabilities (DDD)
Publication Committee (National) (1998 – 2008)

Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) Division on Developmental Disabilities (DDD)
Membership Committee (National) (1997 – 2008)

Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) Division on Developmental Disabilities (DDD) - Unit
Development Committee (National) (1997 – 2008)

Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) Florida Division on Developmental Disabilities (FL-
DDD) Conference Committee (State) (2000-2008; Chair: 2001-2002)

Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) Division on Developmental Disabilities (DDD) Finance
Committee (Chair) (National) (1999 - 2005)

Comprehensive System of Personnel Development (CSPD) Steering Committee (State) (1997-
2002)

Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) Council for Educational Diagnostic Services (CEDs) –
Technology Committee (Chair) (National) (1997-1998)

Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) Council for Educational Diagnostic Services (CEDs) –
Professional Standards Committee (National) (1997-1998)

Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) Council for Educational Diagnostic Services (CEDs) –
Assistant Newsletter Editor (National) (1996-1999)

Alabama Federation Council for Exceptional Children (AFCEC) Finance Committee (Chair)
(1996-1997)

Elected Positions in National, Regional, State, and Local Organizations

Florida Council for Exceptional Children (FCEC) Division on Autism and Developmental
Disabilities (DADD) (State) (2011 – 2014) **Member-at-Large**

Florida Council for Exceptional Children (FCEC) (State) (2007-2008) **Past President**

Florida Council for Exceptional Children (FCEC) (State) (2006-2007) **President**

Florida Council for Exceptional Children (FCEC) (State) (2005-2006) **President-Elect**

Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) Division on Developmental Disabilities (DDD)
(National) (2002-2005; 1999-2002) **Treasurer (2 terms)**

Florida Council for Exceptional Children (FCEC) (State) (2004-2005) **Vice President**

Florida Council for Exceptional Children (FCEC) (State) (2002-2004) **Subdivision**

Representative

Florida Council for Exceptional Children (FCEC) Division on Developmental Disabilities (DDD) (State) (2003-2005) **Secretary**

Florida Council for Exceptional Children (FCEC) Division on Developmental Disabilities (DDD) (State) (2002-2003) **Past President**

Florida Council for Exceptional Children (FCEC) Division on Developmental Disabilities (DDD) (State) (2001-2002) **President**

Florida Council for Exceptional Children (FCEC) Division on Developmental Disabilities (DDD) (State) (2000-2001) **Vice President/President Elect**

Florida Council for Exceptional Children (FCEC) Division on Developmental Disabilities (DDD) (State) (1998 – 2000) **Member-at-Large**

Florida Speaker's Bureau (2003 – 2007) **Elected Speaker** for Brevard County

Alabama Federation Council for Exceptional Children (ACEC) (State) (1996-1997) **Treasurer**

Selected Examples of Service to Public Schools, the State and the Community

Very Special Arts – Brevard (VSA) (Volunteer). (2011-2012). Volunteer to participate in various activities associated with Very Special Arts-Brevard organization (representing UCF).

Character Education – Magic Fish Project. (2011-Present). Provide classroom presentations in area schools (as invited guest speaker) using magic and balloon art to teach fundamental character education concepts using the children's book, *The Magic Fish*, as the foundation.

Character Education – Nora Project. (2009-Present). Provide classroom presentations in area schools (as invited guest speaker) using magic and balloon art to teach fundamental character education concepts using the children's book, *Nora the Nonapus*, as the foundation.

Brevard County Special Olympics (Volunteer). (2000- Present). Volunteer to participate in various Brevard County Special Olympic Game Competitions including county summer games held at various Brevard County high schools (representing UCF).

Zora Neale Hurston Children's Day Festival (Volunteer) (1999 – 2009). Volunteer to participate in Children's Day assisting with arts and crafts for children attending the Zora Festival (representing UCF).

Brevard County Very Special Arts Festival. (Volunteer). (2002 – 2009). Volunteer to participate in the VSA program three days each year. Exceptional education students

from the county school system participate in a day of arts and crafts (representing UCF).

Brevard Community College Education Classes. (Present and Recruit for Exceptional Education Program at UCF). (1999 – Present). Represent UCF and encourage community college students to consider a career in exceptional education teaching. (Average of 15 presentations per year)

Florida Council for Exceptional Children Organization. (Board member). (2002 – 2009). Promote exceptional education services in the state for children with disabilities and assist in planning professional development opportunities for educators across the state.

Student Council for Exceptional Children (SCEC) Chapter 1050 (UCF-Brevard) Faculty Advisor (1997 – Present). Promote professional development and leadership in the field of exceptional education.

Enterprise Elementary School. (Faculty Advisor for UCF School and Community School Partnership Formally: UCF/OSC Holmes Partnership Professional Development Schools Partnership). (1998 –2012). Act as a liaison between the elementary PDS school and UCF/OSC.

Florida Division on Developmental Disabilities (Board member) (1998 – 2005). Promote exceptional education services in state for individuals with developmental disabilities and assist in planning professional development opportunities for educators across the state.

Current Professional Memberships and Affiliations

National Association for Professional Development Schools (NAPDS)

Council for Exceptional Children (CEC)

Division on Autism and Developmental Disabilities (DADD) of the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC)

Teacher Education Division (TED) of the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC)
Council for Children with Behavioral Disorders (CCBD) of the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC)

Florida Council for Exceptional Children (FCEC)

Florida Division on Autism and Developmental Disabilities (FL DADD) of the Council for Exceptional Children

University of Central Florida Chapter 1050 Student Council for Exceptional Children (SCEC)

Kappa Delta Pi, International

Additional Professional Activities/Training

Faculty Training

Attended Summer Faculty Institute. Sponsored by UCF. Participated to enhance knowledge in course delivery, new technology, and course strategies to improve instruction (1998- 2006, 2012, 2013)

Diversity Training

Attended Faculty Diversity Institute. Sponsored by faculty/staff of Office of Diversity Initiatives Department (2005, Summer). UCF---Orlando, FL.

Attended Faculty Diversity Institute. Sponsored by faculty/staff of Office of Diversity Initiatives Department (2004, Summer). UCF---Orlando, FL.

Attended Faculty Domestic Diversity Institute. *Social Awareness & Cultural Change: Brown Vs. Board of Education*. Sponsored by faculty/staff of Office of Diversity Initiatives Department. (2003, Summer)—UCF—Orlando, FL

Inclusion Training

Florida Inclusion Network Inclusion Training. Presented by the Florida Inclusion Network (FIN)-Cocoa Beach, FL – (2004, July).

Attendance as part of my responsibilities as Principle Investigator (PI) on the FIN-Brevard grant. Focused on professional development in the area of the inclusion of children with disabilities in the general education curriculum.

FLIPS (Florida Inclusion Program Specialists) Training Presented by the Florida Inclusion Network (FIN) -Tampa, FL - (2003, September)

Attendance as part of my responsibilities as Principle Investigator (PI) on the FIN-Brevard grant. Focused on professional development in the area of the inclusion of children with disabilities in the general education curriculum.

FLIPS (Florida Inclusion Program Specialists) Training Presented by the Florida Inclusion Network (FIN) -St. Petersburg, FL - (2002, September)

Attendance as part of my responsibilities as Principal Investigator (PI) on the FIN-Brevard grant. Focused on professional development in the area of the inclusion of children with disabilities in the general education curriculum.

ESOL Training

Training from university in Project Jericho. Project Jericho is a project funded by the USDOE for Bilingual Education: Training for All Teachers. Completed training: 2002, September.

In order prepare the pre-service teachers at UCF to receive their endorsement in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages, (TESOL), the State of Florida requires that College Professors teaching those students have themselves received 45-60 hours of training.

Technology Training

Intel® Teach to the Future (Orlando, FL) presented by UCF Tech Impact grant. (2002, December) –UCF –Orlando, FL

Certified as pre-service trainer for Intel® Teach to the Future program

National Educational Computer Conference (NECC) presented by the International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE). (2002, June) – San Antonio, TX

Designed to improve learning, teaching, and education administration through appropriate uses of technology. COE - Ex Ed TUP Modules are based on ISTE standards

Tech Impact Training (2002, 2001)

Utilizing new technology techniques and software to enhance instruction in my courses

UCF Faculty Summer Institutes (2013, 2012, 2006, 2002, 2001, 2000, 1999, 1998)

Participated to enhance knowledge in course delivery, new technology, and course strategies to improve instruction

EXCENT Software Training Course

Computerized Individualized Education Plans (IEPs) training provided by Brevard County School Board (Spring, 2002)

IDL 6543 Interactive Distributed Learning for Technology-Mediated Course Delivery

1998, Spring Extensive training in GroupWise, WebCT, Integrating/ developing media enhanced and on-line courses, designing web pages. 1997-1998,

Florida Department of Education (DOE) Training

Making Assessment Accommodations. Sponsored by IDEA Partnerships and Florida Department of Education – Orlando, FL 2001, Spring

Performance Assessment Colloquium Training. Sponsored by the Florida Department of Education and the University of South Florida. Training on the development of using performance assessment standards for attainment of FTAP July, 1999