



Research Interests:

- Creativity in Psychology and Education
- Cognition in Psychology and Education
- Models of Teacher Preparation
- Innovative Teaching Strategies

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Assistant Professor in Education Psychology Texas A&M University-Texarkana

Recently Taught Courses (Past 2 Years)

- ART 369: Principles and Elements of Art
- ED 311: Growth and Development for EC-12
- ED 321: Foundations of Education
- ED 435: Secondary Content Pedagogy
- ED 520: Educational Research
- ED 530: Human Growth & Dev for Educators
- ED 557: Innov. Learner-Centered Teaching Strat.
- PSY 350: Learning and Behavior
- PSY 466: Cognitive Psychology
- SPED 418: Current Issues & Trends

Education

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY — COMMERCE; Commerce, Texas
Ph.D. in Educational Psychology, 2011
M.S. in Psychology, 2009

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA; Charlottesville, Virginia
M.T. in Special Education (ED and LD) and Elementary Education, 1994
B.A. in Art History, Minor in Studio Arts, 1989

Academic Experience

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA; Texarkana, Texas
Assistant Professor and QEP Director, 2016 to Present
Assistant Professor and Education Chair, 8/11 to 8/13
Director of ACP and Clinical Faculty in Special Education, 9/09 to 8/11
Clinical Faculty in Special Education, 9/06 - 9/09

Research:

Lawrence, S.C. (2016). Breadth and depth of teaching: A university-based combination model of teacher preparation with district participation and commitment. *Journal of the Effective Schools Project*, 23. 14-18.

Lawrence, S.C. & Hooper, H.H. (2011) Teaching functional relations for inductive reasoning. *International Journal of Creative Research*, 1(1), 166-186.

Grants:

Women for A&M Grant: iINSPIRE Initiative, Fall 2012, \$11,500

Faculty Research Enhancement Grant, May 2012, \$3,375; May 2014, \$3,500
USDOE, Arts-in-Education Development & Dissemination, 2003-2006, \$750,000

Sid Richardson, 2006 - \$75,000

Arkansas Arts Council, 2004, 2005, 2006* - \$120,000

*Highest Grantee Rating in History

Texas Commission on the Arts, 2004, 2005, 2005 - \$30,000