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EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIALS

Ph.D.	1997	The University of Mississippi	Educational Leadership
M.Ed.	1995	The University of Mississippi	Higher Education
B.A.	1991	North Carolina State University	Communication

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2006 – Present The University of Mississippi School of Education
Assistant Dean of Advising and Certification

- Oversee School of Education advising staff
- Communicate with the Mississippi Department of Educator Licensure regarding any state changes in licensure
- Review and sign institutional program verification forms for candidates for licensure
- Assess grade appeals, student complaints, request for course withdrawals
- Communicate with faculty regarding changes in programs or certification, including the need to restructure programs for certification
- Oversee School of Education Scholarship Committee
- Oversee School of Education Commencement Ceremonies

The University of Mississippi School of Education
Assistant Professor of Higher Education

- Teach graduate level courses in the Department of Higher Education
- Professional activities in the Department of Higher Education include serving on and Co-Chairing dissertation committees, administering and grading doctoral comprehensive exams, and serving on search committees to fill key positions within the School of Education.

1998 to 2021 *Program Manager, Mississippi Teacher Fellowship Program*

- Assisted in writing the grant to host the Mississippi Teacher Fellowship Program; established under House Bill 609

- Nationally recruit certified teachers to teach in Mississippi critical needs districts through program
- Maintain a working relationship with the Mississippi Department of Education for funding, recruitment and teacher licensure
- Manage a budget of approximately one million on an annual basis
- Facilitate mentoring programs and mentor training for teachers at the K-12 district level
- Coordinate the collaboration among all Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning in recruiting for program
- Design professional development activities for teachers through distance learning
- Conduct orientation and convocation activities for teachers on an annual basis

1993-1997

Director of Recruitment, Mississippi Teacher Corps

- Recruited nationally for qualified applicants and facilitated selection process
- Coordinated selected members summer training and instructional component, licensing issues, and follow-up during their two-year commitment in teaching
- Provided continuous field support through visits to public school districts and classrooms where recruits were teaching
- Implemented continuous improvement project utilizing quality management tools
- Assisted with grant writing for program continuation

1991-1993

Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning, Jackson, MS

Project Assistant, Project '95

- Recruited nationally for the Mississippi Teacher Corps
- Assisted in facilitating Career Beginning sites and financial aid workshops for high school seniors throughout Mississippi
- Worked to educate public schools regarding the implementation of new high school graduation requirements for Mississippi
- Assisted with grant writing and reports for program continuation

TEACHING

EDHE 700. Models of Inquiry

EDHE 797. Dissertation/ Introduction to Academic Writing

EDLD 658. Organization and Governance in Higher Education

EDLD 691. College and the Student

EDLE 663. Curriculum

EDLD 730. Multidisciplinary Perspectives in Teaching

PUBLICATIONS/ PRESENTATIONS

Thompson, W. D. (2001, Winter). MTFP Recruits and

Retains Teachers for Mississippi. *Mississippi Professional Educators Journal*, 14.

Thompson, W. D. (1997). *The Mississippi Teacher Corps: 1989-1997* [Dissertation].

Thompson, W. D. (1996, Winter). *The Mississippi Teacher Corps*, *Mississippi Professional Educators Journal*, 29-30.

Presenter, NACADA, Las Vega, NV, October 2015. Topic: Breaking Bad News: A step-by-step method for breaking bad news to student advisees.

Presenter, NACADA, Savannah, GA, April 2014. Topic: Breaking Bad News: A step-by-step method for breaking bad news to student advisees.

Presenter, Mississippi Department of Education Certification Commission, Jackson, MS, August 2004. Topic: Mississippi Teacher Fellowship Annual Report and Update

Presenter, 54th Annual American Association of Colleges of Teacher Education, New York, NY, February 2002. Topic: Utilizing Technology for the Retention of Teachers

Presenter, Association of Teacher Educators, Ottawa, Canada, August 2000 Summer Conference. Topic: The Mississippi Teacher Fellowship Program: A state-based initiative for the recruitment and retention of teachers in critical shortage districts with an emphasis on technology

Presenter, 52nd Annual American Association of Colleges of Teacher Education, Chicago, IL, February 2000. Topic: The Mississippi Teacher Fellowship Program: A state-based initiative for the recruitment and retention of teachers in critical shortage districts

Presenter, 49th Annual American Association of Colleges of Teacher Education, Phoenix, AZ, February 1997. Topic: The Mississippi Teacher Corps: A Success Story

Presenter, Sixth Annual Conference of the National Association for Alternative Educator Preparation and Certification, Memphis, TN, April 1996. Topic: The Mississippi Teacher Corps: A Success Story

Proposal Reviewer, Corporation for National and Community Service, Washington, DC, May 1995. Reviewed proposals submitted nationally for Learn and Serve America: K-12 and Americorps programs

Proposal Reviewer, Corporation for National and Community Service, Washington, DC, June 1994. Reviewed proposals submitted nationally for Learn and Serve America: K-12 and Americorps programs

Proposal Reviewer, Corporation for National and Community Service, Washington, Dc, May 1994. Reviewed proposals submitted nationally for Learn and Serve America: K-12 and Americorps programs

GRANTS AND CONTRACTS

Rock, D. & Webb, W. (2007-2021). *Mississippi Teacher Fellowship Program Grant*. Mississippi Department of Education, \$7,364,000.00

Burnham, T. & Webb, W. (2005-2007). *Mississippi Teacher Fellowship Program Grant*. Mississippi Department of Education, \$1,949,258.00

Chambless, J.& Webb, W. (2000-2005). *Mississippi Teacher Fellowship Program Grant*. Mississippi Department of Education, \$4,938,824.00

SERVICE

- Founding committee for the T. P. Vinson Memorial Scholarship Annual Walk (fundraiser) for Cancer Awareness
- American Association of University Women (AAUW) – Oxford, MS Branch ; President; Secretary
- Associated Graduate Student Body – University of Mississippi; Vice President; Secretary
- Commission on the Status of Women, University of Mississippi
- Coordinator, School of Education Research Week
- Community volunteer with the American Heart Association
- Coordinator of School of Education Commencement Ceremony
- School of Education Scholarship Committee Chair

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Mississippi Public Education Award for Excellence – Mississippi Teacher Fellowship Program
- Graduate Student Achievement Award in Educational Leadership
- School of Education Outstanding Service Award
- Daniel W. Jones Outstanding Team Service Award (Advising Office)