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Educational Background

- Master of Science Degree in Early Childhood Education, University of North Dakota (May 2003).
- Completed upper division course work in Administration and Supervision of Child Development Centers, California State University – Stanislaus (June - August 1988).
- Successfully passed the California Basic Educational Skills Test (CBEST), February 13, 1988.
- Completed lower division course work in Administration and Supervision of Child Development Centers Merced College (January - March 1988).
- Bachelor of Science degree in Education with a double major in Elementary and Early Childhood Education, University of North Dakota (May 1986)

Certification

- CPR & Emergency Cardiac Care Provider - Certification provided by the American Heart Association (current)
- Community First Aid and Safety - Certification provided by the American Red Cross (current)
- Certified Trainer in the Behavior Component of Project Exceptional (April 2003).

Professional Associations

- NCCC- National Coalition of Campus Child Care Centers
- NAEYC – National Association for the Education of Young Children
- NENDAEYC –Northeast Chapter of the North Dakota Association for the Education of Young Children
- NDAEYC – North Dakota Association for the Education of Young Children
- NAECTE – National Association of Early Childhood Teacher Educators

Professional Experiences

- Director of University Children's Center (ECE training site, located on the UND campus) (September 1998 - Present)
- Instructor within the Department of Teaching and Learning, at the University of North Dakota (September 1998 - Present)
- Trainer, Child Care Resource & Referral of North Dakota (Grand Forks and Fargo, Spring 1999 – Present)
- Director of College Care For Kids (located on the campus of Lake Region State college, formerly UND-Lake Region (Fall 1997 - July 1998)
- Adjunct ECE Instructor UND-Lake Region (Fall 1995-1998)
- After School Child Care Program Coordinator (Fall 1994 - June 1998)
- After School Child Care Site Supervisor (Fall 1993 - June 1998)
- Substitute Teacher - Devils Lake, Public Schools, and St. Joseph's Catholic School. (Fall 1991 - May 1997)
- Pre-School Teacher - Memorial Child Care Center (then located on the campus of UND-Lake Region) (August 1990 - May 1991)
- Head Start Home Visitor (Child Development & Family Services, Towner ND) (August 1989- June 1990)
- Director/Head Teacher (Livingston Union School District, Child Development Center, Livingston California) (January 1988 - April 1989)
- Coordinator of Neighborhood Reading program (Livingston Union School district, 88/89 school year)
- Center based Head Start teacher (Head Start Child Development Services, Merced California, September 87 - December 87)
- Instructor (University of Minnesota - Crookston March 87 - May 87)
- Tutor (Grand Forks Public School District K-9, February 87 - May 87)
- Substitute teacher (Grand Forks Public School and Thompson Public School district Grades K-6, October 86 - May 87)
- Student Teacher (University Children Center (UND), Lake Agassiz Elementary School and Lincoln Elementary School - Grand Forks, Spring 1986)

Classes Taught (most recent)

- T& L 456 Pre –K Seminar (Fall & Spring Semesters – 1998- present)
- T & L 487 Student Teaching Pre-K (Fall & Spring Semesters – 1998-present)
- T & L 451 Methods & Material Pre-K (Fall 00 - present)
- T & L 455 Comparative Approaches (Spring 02, Fall 02, Spring 03 & 04)
- T & L 310 Observation and Description (Fall 01)

Research Interest –Affects of Computers and Pre-school children

Research Conducted

- IRB approved study - Teachers' and parents' perception of how exposure to computers may affect the social development of young children (2003).

Publications

Refereed articles

- Chiasson K., **Yearwood J**., & Olsen G., (2006) The Best of Both Worlds: Combining ECE and ECSE Philosophies and Best Practices Through a Co teaching Model, Journal of Early Childhood Teacher Education 27 (3)

Non-Refereed articles

- Yearwood, D., & **Yearwood, J**., (2004) Computer Technology in Early Childhood: Fad or Necessarily? Prairie Children-North Dakota Association for the Education of Young children. (pp.10-11).

Grants

- *Mini Grant-Team Nutrition*, North Dakota Department of Public Instruction, $300, Fall 2006
- *Quality Enhancement Project,* North Dakota Child Care Resource and Referral, $1,000.00, January 2005
- *Child Care Access Means Parents in School Program (CCAMPIS),* U.S. Department of Education, $277,028.00, Summer 2005 **-proposal not funded**
- *Start-up grant-Toddler classroom,* North Dakota Child care Resource and Referral-United Way Start Up funds, $500.00, Fall 2005
- *Training Grand Forks Area Pre-school teachers in Early Childhood Special Education Best Practices*, North Dakota Department of Public Instruction, $10,000, Spring 2004 – **proposal not funded**
- *Staff Development in Early Childhood Special Education*, North Dakota Department of Public Instruction, $10,000 (Spring 2003).
- Summer Instructional Development Professorship Grant, of $1,500.00 (Spring 2003)

Presentations

International Refereed

- "Collaborative Approaches to Preparing College Students to Work with All Young Children," (Co-presenter), The 20th Annual International Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and Their Families, Chicago, Illinois, (December 2004).

National Refereed

- Poster Session entitled: The Best of Both Worlds: Combining Early Childhood and Early Childhood Special Education Philosophies and Best Practices through a Co-Teaching Model in T&L 451 Methods and Materials Pre-K, Co- Presenter at the National Association for Early Childhood Teacher Educators Meeting. Washington, DC. (December 2005).

Regional Refereed

- "Music and Movement with a Twist", Co-presenter at The North Dakota Association for the Education of Young Children Conference Grand Forks, ND, (October, 2006)
- "Selecting the right Caregiver to staff your facility" The North Dakota Association for the Education of Young Children Conference Fargo, ND, (October, 2005)
- "Parents and Teachers perception of how exposure to computers may affect the social development of young children" The 21st Annual Northern Rocky Mountain Educational Research Association's Conference (NRMERA), (October 2003).

Invited Presentations

- "Parent Communication and Involvement," "A Guidance Approach to Discipline, The 10th Annual Celebrate Children Conference, Devils Lake, ND (October 2006)
- "Project Exceptional – All about Environments" The 9th Annual Celebrate Children Conference, Devils Lake, ND (October 2005).
- "'Working with Schoolers", The 7th Annual Celebrate Children Conference in Devils Lake, ND (October 2003).
- "Working with Older Children: How Preschoolers and School-Age Children are different and How to make the most of it!" Keynote speaker, 3rd Annual Celebrate Children Conference, Devils Lake, ND (October 1999).

Service

Regional, National, & International Levels:

- Chair Facilities Committee, North East North Dakota Association for the Education of Young Children (NENDAEYC) Fall 2006 Conference
- Co-Editor, North Dakota Association for the Education of Young Children (NDAEYC) Newsletter, Prairie Children
- Member of the North Dakota Natural Allies State and Travel Team (03)
- Member of the North Dakota Professional Development Leadership Team (01-present)
- Co-chair NDAEYC Fall 02 Conference Committee

University, College and Department Levels:

- Department of Teaching and Learning Committee on Professional Dispositions for Students
- Committee member, University of North Dakota Maternity Leave and Breastfeeding in the Work Place Tasks Force (2005-present)
- Faculty Search Committee for vacant ECE position (Spring 02 & Fall 03)

Community Involvement:

- Member of the Grand Forks Head Start Policy Council, (2006)
- Member, Friends of Turtle River State Park (FOTR) group (2003-present)
- Member of the Grand Forks Foster Grand Parent Advisory Council (1998-present)
- Member of the Grand Forks Childcare Centers Directors Association (1998-present).