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ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL PREPARATION

EDUCATION

Doctor of Education: University of Alabama, 2012
Major: Elementary Education

Master of Science: University of Montevallo, 2001
Major: Educational Administration (current)

Bachelor of Science: University of Montevallo, 1999
Major: Elementary Education (current)
Minor: Middle School Language Arts (current)

EXPERIENCE AND EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Fall 2008-Present Assistant Professor, College of Education, Department of Teaching, Leadership, and Technology, University of Montevallo, Montevallo, AL

Fall 2006-Spring 2008 Adjunct Professor, College of Education, Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, University of Montevallo, Montevallo, AL

2006-2008 Fourth Grade Regular Education and Inclusion Teacher, Montevallo Elementary School, Montevallo, AL, Shelby County School System

2003-2006 Assistant Principal, Shelby Elementary School, Shelby, AL, Shelby County School System

1999-2003 Fourth Grade Regular Education and Inclusion Teacher, Elvin Hill Elementary, Columbiana, AL, Shelby County School System

COURSES TAUGHT

UNIVERSITY TEACHING

University of Montevallo

ED 401/501 Introduction to Teaching

ED 481/581 Advanced Methods and Materials in Early Childhood

ED 444/544 Methods and Materials for Teaching Social Studies

ED 495 Health, Safety, and Physical Activity for the Elementary School Teacher (OL Course)

ED 504 Innovative Instructional Design (OL Course)

ED 574 Thinking Geographically in the Elementary Classroom (OL Course)

ED 559 Social Studies and the Integrated Curriculum (OL Course)

ED 503 Power, Politics, and Change (OL Course)

ED 504 Innovative Instructional Design (OL Course)

EDF 526 Assessment and Data Analysis for Instructional Improvement (Hybrid)

EDI 470 Internship in Elementary Education

EDI 460 Internship in Collaborative Education

SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Publications

Davis, J., Williams, J.M., & Smajic, A. (2017). Pairing of Pre-Service and Cooperating Teachers During the Internship Semester. *Teacher Education and Practice*. [manuscript accepted for publication for vol. 32, issue 4, 2019]

Lawley, J. A. (2015). The student teacher/cooperating teacher relationship. In Daniels, K. ., Patterson, G., & Dunston, Y. (2nd Ed.), *The Ultimate Student Teaching Guide* (p. 59). Los Angeles: Sage

Smajic, A., Shores, M., Williams, J., & Lawley, J. (December, 2014). Factors that influence mathematics teachers: A case study of public and private schools. *Global Education Journal*. [December 2014 Issue]

Lawley, J., Moore, J., & Smajic, A. (May, 2014). Effective communication between pre-service and cooperating teachers. *The New Educator*, 9, 153-162.

Smajic, A., Moore, J., Riley, J., & Lawley, J. (January, 2013). Understanding fractions using the number/name approach. *Oklahoma Journal of School Mathematics*. [Manuscript accepted for publication, Spring 2013 Issue]

Lawley, J. A., & McEwan, A. (2011). Developing civic-mindedness in the intermediate grades: A community-based inquiry project. *Social Studies Research and Practice*, 6, 110-116.

Dissertation

Lawley, J. (2012). Pairing of Preservice and cooperating teachers during student internship: Opinions of collaborative relationships. (Unpublished doctoral dissertation). University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Davis, J. (2018, November). Integrated C3 and edTPA Lesson Template for Elementary Preservice Teachers. Presented at the National Council of Social Studies Annual Conference, Hyatt Regency Chicago, Chicago, IL.

Davis, J. & Smajic, A. (2018, November). Earth by the Numbers. Presented at the Alabama Council of Teachers of Mathematics Equity in Mathematics Fall Forum, McWane Center, Birmingham, AL.

Davis, J. (November 2018, November). Science/Math Integration for a Sustainable Planet, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL.

Davis, J., & McIlwain, S. (2018, April). Student Centered Strategies in the Social Studies Classroom. Presented at the Becoming Americans: Subjects to Citizens Teacher Conference, American Village, Montevallo, AL.

Davis, J., Smajic, A. & Williams, J. (2017, November). Millions, Billions, and Double Trouble. Presented at the Alabama Council of Teachers of Mathematics, McWane Center, Birmingham, AL.

Davis, J. (2017, November). You Want to Be a Teacher? Presented at the 3rd Annual Career Awareness Fair hosted by The Greater Shelby County Chamber of Commerce, Columbiana, AL.

Smajic, A., Davis, J., & Williams, J. (2017, October). Walking in the Shoes of English Language Learners. Presented at the Diversity Speaker Series, University of Montevallo, AL.

Davis, J. & McIlwain, S. (2016, October). French and Indian War From a Captive's Point of View: Teaching Elementary Social Studies With the C3 Framework. Presented at the Becoming Americans: Subjects to Citizens Teacher Workshop, The American Village, Montevallo, AL.

Williams, J.M., Davis, J., & Smajic, A. (2016, April). Designing and Administering "Brain-Friendly" Assessments in Elementary, Secondary, and Post-Secondary Learning Environments. Presented at Dine and Dialogue Professional Development, Malone Center for Excellence in Teaching, University of Montevallo, Montevallo, AL.

Williams, J.M., Davis, J., & Smajic, A. (2016, April). Designing and Administering "Brain-Friendly" Assessments in Elementary, Secondary, and Post-Secondary Learning Environments. Presented at Dine and Dialogue Professional Development, Malone Center for Excellence in Teaching, University of Montevallo, Montevallo, AL.

Davis, J., Williams, J.M., & Smajic, A. (2016, March). Using Perception Tools in the Elementary Classroom to Promote Authentic Discussions about Diversity. Presented at the Sixth Annual Meeting of the Alabama Association for Multicultural Education, University of Montevallo, Montevallo, AL.

Davis, J. & Williams, J. (2016, February). Hands-On Activities for a Very Popular Planet. Presented at the Alabama Science Teachers Association, McWane Center, Birmingham, AL.

Williams, J.M., & Davis, J. (2015, October). Who are the Nacriema? Presented at the University of Montevallo Future Falcon Day Event, Montevallo, AL.

Davis, J., Williams, J.M., & Smajic, A. (2015, October). Curriculum for a Crowded World. Presented at the Social Studies Council of Alabama (SSCA) Annual Conference, Samford University, Birmingham, AL.

Davis, J., Williams, J.M., & Smajic, A. (2015, September). Science/Math Integration for Earth's Sake. Presented at the Alabama Association of Gifted Children, McWane Center, Birmingham, AL.

Moore, J., Davis, J., & Smajic, A. (2015, March). *Yo soy...clueless: FAQs about addressing the instructional needs of emergent bilingual and multilingual students.* Presented at the Fifth Annual Meeting of the Alabama Association for Multicultural Education, University of Montevallo, Montevallo, AL.

Davis, J. Williams, J., & Smajic, A. (2015, March). Teaching American history through powerful social studies. Presented at the Becoming Americans: Subjects to Citizens Teacher Workshop, American Village, Montevallo, AL.

Davis, J., Williams, J., & Smajic, A. (2015, March). Hands-on activities for a very popular plant. Presented at the Environmental Education Association of Alabama, Columbiana, AL.

Davis, J., Williams, J., & Smajic, A. (2015, October). Curriculum for a crowded world. Presented at the Alabama Social Studies Conference (SSCA), Samford University, Birmingham, AL.

Davis, J., Williams, J., & Smajic, A. (2015, September). Science/math integration for earth's sake. Presented at the Alabama Association of Gifted Children, McWane Center, Birmingham, AL.

Moore, J., Lawley, J., & Smajic, A. (2014, March). *Identifying and evaluating preconceptions and promoting the appreciation of cultural differences*. Presented at the Fourth Meeting of the Alabama Association for Multicultural Education, University of Montevallo, Montevallo, AL.

Davis, J., Williams, J., & Smajic, A. (2014, October). *Real-world math for earth's sake*. Presented at the Alabama Council of Teachers of Mathematics (ACTM) Conference, McWane Science Center, Birmingham, AL.

Lawley, J., Moore, J., & Smajic, A. (2013, October). *Core issue: Bullying and prevention strategies for the elementary classroom*. Presented at the Social Studies Council of Alabama Annual Conference, Birmingham, AL.

Moore, J., Lawley, J., & Smajic, A. (2013, March). *Strategies for preventing and addressing bullying in the elementary classroom*. Presented at the Alabama Region 4 National Association for Multicultural Education (NAME) Conference, Montevallo, AL.

Smajic, A., Moore, J., & Lawley, J. (2012, November). *Factors that influence mathematics instruction in private and public middle schools*. Presented at the Science and Mathematics Association (SSMA) Annual Conference, Birmingham, AL.

Lawley, J., Moore, J., & Smajic, A. (2012, October). *Using new technology strategies to modernize your old lesson plans*. Presented at the Social Studies Council of Alabama Annual Conference, Birmingham, AL.

Smajic, A., Moore, J., & Lawley, J. (2011, October). *Factors that influence mathematics instruction in private and public middle schools*. Presented at the Southeastern Regional Association of Teacher Education (SRATE) Annual Conference, Savannah, GA.

Lawley, J., Moore, J., Whitse, G., & Smajic, A. (2010, October). *Finding the balance*

between cooperating and pre-service teachers. Presented at the Southeastern Regional Association of Teacher Education (SRATE) Annual Conference, Nashville, TN.

Lawley, J. (2010, October). *Bringing voices of the past to the classroom.* Presented at the Social Studies Council of Alabama Annual Conference, Birmingham, AL.

Lawley, J., & McEwan, A. (2009). *How to develop civic-minded citizens in the Intermediate grades.* Presented at the Social Studies Council of Alabama Annual Conference, Birmingham, AL.

Wilson, E., Black, K., Foster, P., & Lawley, J. (2009, October). *Issues in education: Inside and outside the classroom.* Presented at the Mid-South Educational Researcher (MSERA), Baton Rouge, LA.

Lawley, J. (2010, October). *Kick start your future.* Presented at the University of Montevallo Career Chat, Montevallo, AL.

NON-PUBLISHED ACTIVITIES

2019 created and coordinated My Voice, My Community, My Impact Civics Camp content for UM Gear Up Camp

2017 (June), renewed all professional educator certificates (teaching and administrative), Alabama State Department of Education

GRANTS

2018 UM College of Education Claudia Williams Endowment, Mental Health First Aid for the Classroom Certification(notified October 2018, funded \$2,500). Will attend training in Savannah, GA, Summer 2019.

Davis, J., Williams, J. M., Gilmore, L., Smajic, A.S., Raulston, C. (2018, October).

2017 University Teaching & Learning Grant, High-Impact Teaching Practices, \$1,500 funded, Spring 2017

2015 Faculty Development Conference, Malone Center for Excellence in Teaching, Developing and Administering Brain Friendly Assessments in Elementary, Secondary, and Post-Secondary Learning Environments, awarded fall 2015.

2013 University Teaching and Learning Grant, Flipping Classrooms to Increase Student Engagement, \$2000.00, funded

2013 Faculty Learning Community Grant, Learning to Identify and Appreciate the Personality Spectrum, \$900.00, funded

2012 University Teaching Fellows Grant, Real-Time Analysis and Assessment in Interactive Environments, \$2,000.00, funded

2011 University of Montevallo Alumni Foundation Grant, Creating an Elementary Environment with a University Setting, \$1239.49, funded

2011 University Teaching Fellows Grant, Integrating Smartboard Technology into the University Classroom and Beyond, \$1,754.00, funded

PROFESSIONAL TRAININGS AND WORKSHOPS

2018-2019 (August-May) School Culture, ACLD PLU, Shelby County Board of Education, Columbiana, AL.

2018 (September), attended Ron Clark Academy, Atlanta, GA

2018 (November), National Council of Social Studies Annual Conference Chicago, IL,

2018 (April), Becoming Americans: Subjects to Citizens Teacher Workshop, American Village, Montevallo, AL

2017(June), The Power of Mindsets: Promoting Positive School Climates and Motivation in Students, Learning & the Brain Institute, Boston, MA.

2017-2018 (August-May) How Communication Creates Culture, ACLD PLU, Shelby County Board of Education, Columbiana, AL.

2016-2017 (August-May) Standard 2 Teaching and Learning: Educational Excellence for All, ACLD PLU, Shelby County Board of Education, Columbiana, AL.

2016 (Fall), book study: *What If? Short Stories to Spark Diversity Dialogue*, College of Education, University of Montevallo, Montevallo, AL.

2016 (April), “Deep Dive Local Evaluation and Curriculum Inquiry Training” with Dr. Kristy Brown. University of Montevallo, Montevallo, AL.

2016 (March) Alabama NAME Conference, The University of Montevallo, Montevallo, AL.

2016 (October), Becoming Americans: Subjects to Citizens Teacher Workshop, American Village, Montevallo, AL.

October 2016, Social Studies Council of Alabama annual conference, Samford University, Birmingham, AL.

2015-2016 (August-May) Standard 4 Diversity: Educational Excellence for All, ACLD PLU, Shelby County Board of Education, Columbiana, AL,

2015 (November) National Council of Social Studies Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA.

2015 (October) Social Studied Council of Alabama Annual Conference, Samford University, Birmingham, AL.

2015 (September) Alabama Association of Teacher Education Conference, University of Montevallo, Montevallo, AL.

2015 (March) National Association for Multicultural Education Annual Conference, Montevallo, AL,

2015 (May) edTPA Handbook and Rubric Deep Dive, University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham, AL.

2014 (July) Population Connection Conference, Seattle, WA.

2014 (October) Social Studies Council of Alabama (SSCA) Conference, Birmingham, AL.

2014 (March) National Association for Multicultural Education Annual Conference, Montevallo, AL,

2013 Sexual Harassment Training, University of Montevallo, Montevallo, AL

2014-2015 (August-May) Standard 5 Community and Stakeholder Relationships: All for One and One for All, ACLD PLU, Shelby County Board of Education, Columbiana, AL.

2013-2014 (August-May) 21st Century Literacy Skills, ACLD PLU, Shelby County Board of Education, Columbiana, AL

2013 (Fall) Participant Camtasia Training Grant

2012-2013 (August-May) Personal Skill Development for 21st Century Success, ACLD PLU, Shelby County Board of Education, Columbiana, AL

2012 (August) Renewed Teaching Certificate (1st – 8th Grades), Alabama State Department of Education, Montgomery, AL

2012 (January) A Praxis Series, Standard Setting Study, Alabama State Department of Education, Montgomery, AL

2012 Population Connection: Hands-On Activities for People and the Planet Workshop, University of Montevallo, Montevallo, AL

2012 CAPP Degree Evaluations for Faculty/ Advisor's Training, University of Montevallo, Montevallo, AL

2011-2012 (August-May) Management of the Learning Organization Awareness, ACLD PLU, Shelby County Board of Education, Columbiana, AL

2011-2012 (August-May) Ethical Leadership, ACLD PLU, Shelby County Board of Education, Columbiana, AL

2011 (December) e-Learning for Educators: Planning for Curriculum Integration of Technology, ACLD PLU, Alabama State Department of Education, Montgomery, AL

2011 (June) e-Learning for Educators: Planning for curriculum Integration of Technology Mastery, ACLD, PLU, Alabama State Department of Education, Montgomery, AL

2011, Early Literacy leader training, Shelby County Board of Education, Columbiana, AL

2011, Online Course Development Workshop, Malone Center, Montevallo, AL

2009 Alabama Math and Science Initiative Leader Training, Shelby County Instructional Services, Alabaster, AL

2007 Alabama Math and Science Initiative (Year One), Shelby County Board of Education, Columbiana, AL

2006 Alabama Math and Science Initiative (Year Two), Shelby County Board of Education, Columbiana, AL

2004 Success For All Reading Program, Dallas, TX

2003 Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Evaluator, Sylacauga, AL

2003 (August) Professional Education Personnel Evaluation, Alabama State Department of Education, Montgomery, AL

2001 Alabama Reading Initiative Training, Alabama State Department of Education, Montgomery, AL

SERVICE ACTIVITIES

UNIVERSITY COMMITTEES AND SERVICE

2019 – serve on the UM QEP Committee

2018 – current serve on the UM Transforming Academic Advising Committee

2011-current Chairperson, Montevallo Connection Partnerships

2013-current Member, University of Montevallo College Night Committee

2011-current Member, University of Montevallo Admissions Committee

2013-2016 Senator, City of Montevallo Liaison, City Montevallo Liaison, University of Montevallo Faculty Senate

2012-2015 Faculty Fellow, New Residence Hall Dormitory

2014 Participant, Student Experience Work Group Committee

2012 Participant, Freedom Week Fundraiser

2011 Presenter, Life Skills Presentation to Phi Mu Sorority

2011 Presenter, Alabama Possible, Blueprints Focused Campus Visit

2009 Facilitator, University of Montevallo Coffee and Conversations, freshmen parents

2008-2011 Member, University of Montevallo Student Affairs Advisory Board

COLLEGE COMMITTEES AND SERVICE

2018 Presenter, University of Montevallo Summer Preview Day

2017 Presenter, University of Montevallo Spring Preview Day

2017 worked in collaboration with principals of local Montevallo schools to create, publish, and distribute Montevallo Connection brochures for potential students moving to the Montevallo area

2017 worked in collaboration with principals of local Montevallo schools to create and share Montevallo Connection commercial as a showcase

2016 Judge, NPHC Greek Week talent show

2016 Presenter, University of Montevallo Fall Preview Day

2016 Presenter, University of Montevallo Scholar's Day

2015 Presenter, University of Montevallo Scholar's Day

2015 Presenter, University of Montevallo Fall Grounds' Day

2010-current Member, College of Education Diversity Committee

2012-2013 Member, College of Education Teacher Education Committee

2011 Presenter, University of Montevallo's High School Scholar's Day for eligible freshmen

2008-2009 Member, College of Education Governance Committee

2009 Participant, Kappa Delta Pi Fashion Show: Professionally Dressed

DEPARTMENT COMMITTEES AND SERVICE

2017, collaborated with colleagues to develop an online EdTPA Portfolio for Pre-Internship students for students upload learning tasks throughout the semester

2016, collaborated with colleagues to develop a uniformed elementary edTPA lesson plan format to be used in all methods courses

2016, completed "Bridging the Gap" workshop with all Lit. Block students in preparation for Content Block

2016, presented a Live-Text workshop for adjunct supervisors' student interns during their internship semester

2015 Evaluator, Secondary Programs LIA Presentations

2015 Evaluator, Instructional Leader Admission Interviews

2015 Evaluator, Traditional Master's Action Research Projects

2013, Presenter, Academic Interest Session, Scholarship Reception

2012-2014, Presenter, Writing LiveText Reflections, Workshops for Interns

2012-2014 Presenter, Bridging the Gap from Literacy to Content Block

2012-2013 Evaluator, Secondary Action Research Projects

2012 Presenter, Shelby County College Fair

2012 Member, Elementary Programs Search Committee

2010-2014 Presenter, Fall Preview Day for eligible freshmen and transfer students

2010-2014 Representative, Graduate Advisory Council Meetings

2009-2014 Advisor, approximately fifty undergraduate students each semester

SERVICE TO PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND THE FIELD OF EDUCATION

2018, Manuscript Reviewer, Horizon Research Publishing Company

2018, (February) served as a judge for the Reading Festival projects at Calera Intermediate School

2017, hosted FTA students from Thompson High School and Montevallo High School to attend PLC meetings hosted by UM students on UM campus throughout the semester

2017(April, May), Volunteer at Creek View Elementary for 6 weeks to serve as Junior Achievement teacher for in a second grade classroom

2017 current steering committee member of the Montevallo Community Politics Learning Exchange

2015-current Reviewer, Universal Journal of Educational Research

2013-current Preservice Coordinator, Social Studies Council of Alabama

2012-2014 Reviewer, Journal of Curriculum and Instruction

2012 Presenter, Early Literacy, Montevallo Elementary School parents

2012-2013 Proctor, Social Studies Council of Alabama, Birmingham, Alabama

2009-2014 Presenter, Thompson Intermediate School, 4th and 5th Grade

2009-2014 Presenter, Jemison Elementary School, 4th and 5th Grade

2010-2014 Contributor, American Village, Social Studies lesson plans for website

2009 Facilitator, Montevallo Elementary School Service Learning Project, 5th Grade

2008 Invited Teacher Panel Member, Instructor Magazine, Scholastic Publishing Company

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Mid-South Educational Research Association

National Council for Teachers of Mathematics

National Council of Social Studies

Social Studies Council of Alabama, District Director, Leadership Team

National Association for Multicultural Education

HONORS AND AWARDS

PROFESSIONAL HONORS AND ACTIVITIES

2017(March) recognized at Chi Omega Fraternity Favorite Professor Dinner

2017 (February) invitation to join Alpha Delta Kappa Organization

2017 (March) recognized at UM Softball Game for Faculty Appreciation

2015(September) recognized at UM Volleyball for Faculty Appreciation

University of Montevallo Ernest Award for Outstanding Commitment to Teaching (2010)

Pathways to Discovery Research for College of Education (2010)

University of Montevallo Outstanding Alumna in Elementary Education (2005)

Sallie Mae First Year Teacher Award for Shelby County (2000)