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EDUCATION

University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB), Birmingham, Alabama
Doctor of Philosophy in Early Childhood Education August 2019
Areas of Concentration: Early Childhood Education, Early Intervention

Ball State University, Muncie, IN
M.Ed. in Elementary Education & Early Childhood Administration May 2016
Areas of Concentration: Early Childhood Education, Early Childhood Education Administration

University of Southern Indiana, Evansville, IN
B.S. in Early Childhood Education December 2014
Minor: Social Work

RELATED EXPERIENCE

University of Montevallo 2019-Present
College of Education and Human Development
Assistant Professor of Early Childhood Education

Highlands Child Development Center, Birmingham, AL
Director 2018-2020
Education Specialist 2017-2018

Judson College, Marion, AL 2018-2019
College of Education
Adjunct Instructor

University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham, AL 2017-2019
Department of Curriculum & Instruction
Credentialed Course Instructor

University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham, AL
Graduate Research Assistant 2016-2017

Metropolitan Action Commission – Head Start, Nashville, TN Early Childhood Assistant Center Manager, C.L.A.S.S. Certified Observer	2015-2016
Community Action Program of Evansville – Head Start, Evansville, IN Mentor Teacher	2012-2015
Fairlawn Childcare Center, Evansville, IN Lead Teacher	2011-2012
Milestones Child Development Center, Evansville, IN Associate Teacher	2007-2011

AWARDS

College of Education Dean’s Award University of Alabama at Birmingham	2019
Outstanding Doctoral Student, Department of Curriculum and Instruction University of Alabama at Birmingham	2019

COURSES TAUGHT

University of Montevallo

ED 410/510: Teaching of Reading
EDF 330: Educational Psychology
ED 503: Educational Policy - Public and Community Resources
ED 598: Elementary Content Planning and Instructional Practices
FCS 391: Child Development
FCS 465: Parenting and Guidance

University of Alabama at Birmingham

EEC 406/506: Language Arts in Early Childhood and Elementary Education
ECE 448/548: Infant and Toddler Development
ECE 390/490: Practicum in Early Childhood Education
ECE 494: Fieldwork in Early Childhood Education
ECE 690: Practicum in Early Childhood Education
EEC 301: Introduction to P-6 Education
EEC 600: Transition into P-6 Teaching
ECE 331: Creative Learning Experiences for Young Children

Judson College

EDU 417: Instructional Media

EDU 310: Methods and Materials of Science and Health Education
in the Elementary School

RESEARCH

JOURNAL ARTICLES

Ploessl, D.M., **Hooper, W.**, Raulston, C. (2022). Community partnerships: Leveraging service learning in small teacher preparation programs. *Journal of Special Education Programs*.

RESEARCH IN PREPARATION/REVIEW

Hooper, W., Samuels, A., Samuels, G., Ploessl, D.M. (2022). (Un)Heard voices: Exploring the support and retention for teachers of color. *Journal of Education Human Resources*.

PRESENTATIONS

2017, Feb – Ernest, J.M., Strichik, T., **Hooper, W.** Working with state agencies to build sustainable early childhood programs. OMEP Regional World Conference. Atlanta, GA.

2017, Nov – **Hooper, W.**, Kerch, C., Causey, C. Enriching environments: Capitalizing on environmental print. NAEYC Annual Conference. Atlanta, GA.

2017, Nov – Christensen, L., **Hooper, W.**, Kerch, C. Children create change: Defending voting rights. NAEYC Annual Conference. Atlanta, GA.

2017, Nov – **Hooper, W.**, Kerch, C. Equality and accountability: Empowering the voices our most diverse learners. ALAHEDO Annual Conference. Birmingham, AL.

2018, Mar – **Hooper, W.**, Kerch, C. Equality and accountability: Empowering the voices our most diverse learners. SECA Annual Conference. Lexington, KY.

2018, Mar – **Hooper, W.**, Kerch, C. Using music and movement to promote gross motor development. SECA Annual Conference. Lexington, KY.

2018, Mar – **Hooper, W.**, Kerch, C. Sustainable relationships: Building our foundation with children and families. SECA Annual Conference. Lexington, KY.

2018, Nov – Christensen, L., **Hooper, W.** Four black early childhood educators: Civil rights

- advocates linked to the D.C. landscape. NAEYC Annual Conference. Washington, DC.
- 2019, Nov – Kerch, C., Hooper, A., **Hooper, W.**, Causey, C. Applying authentic assessments: Informed and intentional planning. NAEYC Annual Conference. Nashville, TN.
- 2020, Feb – **Hooper, W.** Social and emotional advocates: Building supportive relationships in our classrooms. SECA Annual Conference. Tulsa, OK.
- 2021, Jun – **Hooper, W.** Intentional practices: Strengthening communication with families. Childcare Resources Annual Conference (Virtual). Birmingham, AL.
- 2021, Nov – **Hooper, W.**, Bloom, L. Social and emotionally me: Supports for children and teachers. NAEYC Annual Conference (Virtual).
- 2021, Nov – **Hooper, W.** Communication + family partnerships = recipe for success. Childcare Resources Super Saturday Virtual Training Sessions. Birmingham, AL.
- 2022, Jun – **Harper-Hooper, W.** Using your leadership superpowers to engage families Positively during delicate times. Childcare Resources Annual Conference (Virtual). Birmingham, AL.
- 2022, Aug – **Harper-Hooper, W.** Leadership and retention: Practical strategies for success. Childcare Resources ECE Directors Series (Virtual). Birmingham, AL.
- 2022, Nov. – **Harper-Hooper, W.**, Ploessl, D.M., Bloom, L. Truly inclusive: Play-based approaches for inclusive experiences and assessment. NAEYC Annual Conference. Washington, DC.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

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| Alabama Department of Early Childhood Education
Pre-K Research Evaluation Committee | 2017-2018 |
| Alabama Department of Early Childhood Education
Foundations Committee | 2019 |
| Alabama Department of Early Childhood Education
Accreditation Training Program Grant Selection Committee | 2019 |
| Alabama Afterschool Labs
Pre-K Program and Curriculum Development Committee | 2020-2022 |

Shelby County Children’s Policy’s Early Care Committee Early Care Committee Member Early Care Committee - Committee Co-Chair	2020-2021 2021-2023
Highlands Child Development Center Board Child Development Center Board Member	2020-2024
RISE Institute for Literacy Advisory Board Committee Member	2021-2023
Childcare Resources Board of Directors	2022-2025

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Early Childhood Education Search Committee Committee Member	2020
Campus Life Advisory Committee Committee Member	2020-2023
Concert and Lecture Committee Committee Member	2021-2024
Faculty Senate Finance, Benefits, and Resources Committee Faculty Salary Committee	2022-2024

MEMBERSHIPS

- American Educational Research Association (AERA)
- Association for Childhood Education International (ACEI)
- National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)
- Southern Early Childhood Association (SECA)