

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

Ph.D. student Joint Doctoral Program in Special Education

Cal State Los Angeles, University of California, Los Angeles, 2028 [expected]

Interests: Learning Disability, ADHD, Accommodations, College Student Athletes

Ed. M. Literacy Studies Specialization

Southern Methodist University, 2018

B. A. Political Science

Wheaton College, 2012

TEACHING

Undergraduate Literacy Specialist

2023- 2024

Academic Development of Student Athletes Office, Southern Methodist University

In-District Trainer for In-Service Teachers

2022-2023

Wilson Language Training, Boston

K-12 Lead Dyslexia Therapist

2017-2023

Dallas Independent School District

K-2nd Grade Teacher

2014-2017

Purpose Prep Academy, Nashville, Uplift Luna Elementary School, Dallas

PRESENTATIONS

Rinker, J. (2024, March). *Expanding Notions of Healing Centered Engagement: Teaching Reading to African American Students*. Poster presented at Mental and Behavioral Health Conference, Cal State, LA.

Rinker, J. (2019, November). *Measuring growth: An urban district's effort to improve literacy outcomes for students with dyslexia*. Poster presented at International Dyslexia Association (IDA) Conference, Portland, OR.

RESEARCH

Text Characteristics Literature Search Internship (2020)

Annette Caldwell Simmons School of Education, Southern Methodist University

Working for Dr. Jill Allor as a research intern to conduct the early stages of a literature search to examine text characteristics in early reading books. Assisted in developing a comparison of curriculum text characteristics.

Human Rights Educator Research Internship (2022)

HRE USA

Review the resources provided in the K-12 HRE Library to improve teacher interfacing experience.

TRAINING AND CERTIFICATES

Mental Health First Aider (2024)

Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX

Wilson Credentialed Trainer Certificate (2022)

Boston, MA and Dallas, TX

Wilson Dyslexia Therapist (2021)

Dallas, TX

Texas Teacher Certifications

Core Subjects, EC-6

English as a Second Language Supplemental, EC-12

Special Education EC-12

Bowman's Orton-Gillingham "Plus" 60-hour Training Certificate (2013)

New York, NY

Audited coursework in "The Struggle for Human Rights" with Dr. Rick Halperin 2020-2024

Audited coursework in "The South: Violence and Integration in Alabama and Mississippi" with Dr. Rick Halperin 2021-2022

SERVICE

Foster Parent (2021-2022)

Provided a safe, loving environment for children between the ages of 7 and 14 who needed temporary placements in a licensed home in Dallas.

Texas People's Tribunal Assistant Director (2022-2023)

Taking actions to develop a Southwest Conference and Teach-In events for the abolition of the death penalty in Texas.

ECPM #AbolitionNOWTour U.S. Delegation Member (2022- 2023)

Participant in developing a strategic action plan to contribute to abolishing the death penalty in Texas.

Fast and Vigil to End the Death Penalty (2022-2024)

Participant in a four- day demonstration in front of the Supreme Court in Washington, DC to call for an end to capital punishment in the United States.

Abide Women's Health Services Ambassador (2019-2022)

Assist in fundraising and community events designed to raise awareness and support for black women and babies facing elevated risk of infant and maternal mortality in Dallas, TX.

HONORS AND AWARDS

UCLA Division of Graduate Education Competitive Edge Fellowship (2024)

Office of Special Education Program (OSEP) Scholar (2023- 2028)

SMU Graduate Student Travel Grant (2019)

Phi Lamda Theta Honor Society (2018)

SMU Graduate Student Travel Grant (2017)

Early Literacy Scholars Grant (2015-2017)

AmeriCorps Award (2015)

Wheaton College Political Science Summer Scholarship (2011)