

# CYNTHIA BOLTON-GARY, Ph.D.

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## Education

Ph.D.	University of North Carolina	Chapel Hill	August 1994	Educational Psychology
M.Ed.	University of North Carolina	Charlotte	May 1989	Special Education
B.S.	University of North Carolina	Chapel Hill	May 1983	Public Health

## Academic Certificates:

- Harvard Graduate School of Education, Certificate: Data to Improve Learning & Teaching, 2024
- Harvard Graduate School of Education, Institute for Higher Education Management Development, 2015
- Leadership Academy, American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (AACTE), 2013.
- Educational Leadership & Program Evaluation, Association of Supervision and Curriculum Development, 2008

## Higher Education Experience

**Georgia Southern University** Statesboro & Savannah, GA  
Professor September 2023 - Present

**University System of Georgia** Atlanta, Georgia June 2019 – August 2023  
Associate Vice Chancellor Academic Affairs  
Academic Innovation July 2022 – August 2023  
Academic Programs August 2020 – December 2022  
Educator Preparation and Policy June 2019 – August 2023

**Georgia Southern University** Statesboro & Savannah, GA  
Associate Dean Outreach, Partnership & Diversity 2018 – 2019  
College of Education

**Armstrong State University** Consolidated: Georgia Southern University July 2018  
Acting Dean College of Education June 2017-July 2018  
Associate Dean & Professor College of Education 2012-2018  
Assessment/Accreditation Director 2012-2018  
Acting Department Head (Secondary, Middle, PE) July 2016-December 2016

**University of South Carolina Beaufort** Bluffton, SC 2008-2012  
Associate Professor: Educational Psychology  
Director: Center of Excellence of Collaborative Learning (CECL)  
Acting Department Chair Teacher Education 2009-2010

## North Carolina Center for the Advancement of Teaching (NCCAT)

### A unit of the University of North Carolina

Center Fellow Cullowhee, NC 2006-2008  
Research, development, and instructor of high-quality research-based professional development seminars that focused on renewing educators' passion for teaching and improving the content knowledge and instructional quality of teachers to impact and improve student engagement in learning and academic achievement.

**Aurora University** Aurora, IL 2004-2006  
Associate Professor: Educational Psychology  
Scholar-in-Residence, Fearn & Greenman Elementary Schools (PDS) Institute for Innovative and Integrated Studies (I3S)  
Research, service, teaching initial and advanced teacher education candidates in the College of Education

**North Park University** Chicago, IL 2003-2004  
Adjunct Associate Professor  
GOAL Program: degree completion program for adult learners and career changers

**University of South Carolina Aiken** Aiken, SC 1994-2001  
Associate Professor of Educational Psychology Tenured: June 1999  
Research, service, teaching graduate and undergraduate courses for College of Education  
Director of USCA Teacher Cadet Program

### PreK-12 Experience

#### Gary Independent School

Crystal Lake, IL

2001-2005

Director: PK – Grade 8

Teacher: Math &amp; Special Education (all subjects)

#### Charlotte-Mecklenburg Public Schools

Charlotte, NC

March 1989- August 1991

Teacher: 7-12 grades: Math and Health Education (12-month contract)

Johnny McLeod Center (Alternative School 7-12 grades)

East Mecklenburg High School (summer-school teacher)

Harding Evening School (Harding University High School – part-time teacher)

Assistant Principal: Harding Evening School (Harding University High School)

#### Residential Services

Chapel Hill, NC

1983-1985

Adolescent Group Home Manager/Educator

Live-in manager for adolescents with behavioral, developmental, and physical challenges. Provided self-care and life skills activities and oversight, as well as opportunities for education, socialization, and enrichment.

#### Chapel Hill Cooperative Preschool

Chapel Hill, NC

1983-1985

Part-time substitute teacher

### Advisory Councils and Boards

#### National

- Council for Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) Council Member & Policy Board
- Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges – External Evaluator

#### State (Georgia 2019-2023)

- USG & GaPSC Joint Task for Reading & Literacy (Co-Chair)
- USG Educational Deans Council
- Georgia Vision for Public Education Committee
- Get Georgia Reading Cabinet
- Georgia Mathematics Advisory Council (GaDOE)
- Advancing Inclusive Principal Leadership Advisory Board (CCSSO)
- Georgia Professional Standards Commission:
  - PPEM Advisory Council
  - Task Forces (multiple)
- P-20 Collaborative Statewide Leadership Committee: Georgia Vision Project Working Committee
- CEEDAR State Leadership Board
- Aspiring Inclusive Principal Leadership Advisory Board (Wallace Foundation & Albany State University)
- Cross Agency Child Council – DECAL
- Georgia Association of Colleges Teacher Education – Board of Directors
- Georgia Network for Transforming Educator Preparation (GaNTEP)
- Teacher Provider Education Grant (Special Education) – GaDOE State Implementation Team
- EI/ECSE Higher Education Consortium – Council for Exceptional Children
- Branch Alliance for Educator Diversity – Partnership

#### University System of Georgia (2019 – 2023)

- Regents Advisory Committees (RAC) Liaison
  - Educator Preparation RAC
  - Nursing RAC
  - Health Informatics RAC
  - Health Professions RAC
  - Kinesiology RAC
  - Public Health RAC
    - Previous RAC liaison 2019-2022):
      - Humanities

- Environmental Sciences
- Integrated Academic Affairs Committee
- Committee on Academic Affairs
- USG Teacher Preparation Advisory Group
- USG Employer Survey Group (Lumina)
- USG EPP Deans Council
- HR Data Governance Committee
- Academic & Student Affairs Handbook Revision

### Certification

CAEP Visitor/Team Lead Training: October 2015  
 National Institutes of Health: Protecting Human Research Participants (2015 – Present)  
 CTE Online Teaching Instructor: November 2018  
 Stop The Bleed: November 2018  
 NCATE State Board of Examiners (SC): 2010-2013, 1996 - 2001  
 North Carolina: G (advanced) Certificate in Special Education/Gifted and Talented (K-12)  
 North Carolina: A (initial) Certificate in Health Education (K-12)  
 North Carolina: Endorsements Mathematics and Science  
 Trainer Certification: A Framework for Understanding Poverty, Ruby K. Payne: 2007  
 Hearing Officer: IDEA and Section 504 (South Carolina): 2001

### Administrative

2022 – 2023	Institutional Liaison – Programs, Policies, and Processes, University System of Georgia
2021 – 2022	Academic Programs, Integrated Program Review Lead, University System of Georgia
2017 – 2023	Panel Chair, Council for Accreditation of Educator Preparation
2012 – 2017	Assessment Director, College of Education Armstrong State University
2012 – 2017	Accreditation Coordinator, College of Education Armstrong State University
2016	Interim Department Head Secondary, Adult & Physical Education (SAPE)
2014 – 2016	edTPA Coordinator, College of Education Armstrong State University
2013 – 2014	President: SIG Teaching Educational Psychology, American Educational Research Association
2012 – 2013	Program Chair: SIG Teaching Educational Psychology, American Educational Research Association
2009 – 2012:	Accreditation (NCATE & NAEYC) Coordinator, Department of Education, University of South Carolina Beaufort
2009 – 2012	Assessment Coordinator, Department of Education, University of South Carolina Beaufort
2009 – 2012	LiveText Coordinator. Department of Education, University of South Carolina Beaufort
2009-2010	Interim Department Chair. Department of Education, University of South Carolina Beaufort
2008-2010	Director of the Center of Excellence in Collaborative Learning. University of South Carolina Beaufort

### National and Regional Seminars – selected topics

Case Studies and General Education Assessment	Performance Assessment
Parenting Adolescents	Teaching and Learning
Multiple Intelligences	Special Education Issues: Gifted/LD/ADHD
Classroom Management	Positive Discipline/Love and Logic
Supporting and Meeting the Needs of New Teachers	LiveText and Assessment Systems

### Keynote Addresses

- ❖ Sandra Dunagan Deal Center for Early Language and Literacy. The Reading Project, May 16, 2021.
- ❖ Georgia Teaching Pipeline Summit. Welcome Keynote, February 16, 2020.
- ❖ EAGLE Academy Graduation Keynote. May 6, 2019.
- ❖ i²STEMe Conference: Welcome, March 21, 2019
- ❖ International Critical Media Literacy Conference: Welcome, March 16, 2019
- ❖ Cross Cultural Counseling and Education Conference for Research, Action, and Change: February 7, 2019

### Grants & Awards

National Science Foundation (NSF) – Responsible Design, Development, and Deployment of Technologies (ReDDDoT) Phase 1: Planning Grant: Building a Community-Engaging Research and Educational Hub for Responsible Technology Design and Operation Phase 1, \$300,000. Submitted April 2024 (with Ji, Y., Mohamed, A., & Chen, L.).

Georgia Leader and Educator Acceleration and Development System (GaLEADS) Pilot Evaluation. Georgia Department of Education, funded \$30,000, March 1, 2024. (with Flanigan, A., Rahimi, R., Harris, K., Wall, A., & Norman, T.).

Mentoring Teacher Candidates: A Professional Development Conference. Georgia Network for Transforming Educator Preparation (GaNTEP) Award, March 2016. P20 Collaborative project (~\$10,000 – funded with matching awards).

“Accelerated Teacher Leadership Collaborative.” Georgia Network for Transforming Educator Preparation (GaNTEP) Award, July 2014. Team Leader for collaborative project between Armstrong State University and Savannah Chatham County Public School System (~\$15,000 - funded).

“Expanding Diverse Pathways in Teacher Preparations: The South Carolina 2-Year to 4-Year College Teacher Certification Initiative.” Project Director in collaborative partnership with Jasper County Schools and Technical College of the Lowcountry, submitted January, 2010 (+\$4,000,000-collaborative with USC, unfunded).

“Center of Excellence in Collaborative Learning.” Primary Investigator, 2008-2010 (Funded ~\$100,000/year).

“Diverse Pathways to Teacher Preparation.” Primary Investigator, October 2008 (Funded \$5,000).

“Rural Internship Program.” Submitted for Sponsored Programs and Research Category II: Productive Scholarship submitted January 2001 (\$7,500).

South Carolina Center for Teacher Recruitment: Teaching Fellows Program, January 2000.

National Telecommunications and Information Administration for the Rural Alliance for Teaching Enhancement (RATE) Program: Three year collaborative project, November 1998-2001 (Funded: +\$300,000)

South Carolina Center for Teacher Recruitment: Teacher Cadet Program, 1994-2002. Funded. (\$35,000)

“Institution-Wide Reform: One Institution’s Response to the Call for Systematic Reform--A Better Way”. Collaborative grant submitted to the National Science Foundation, May 1996. Dr. Blanche Premo-Hopkins: Primary Investigator. Pilot program ran from May 1996- May 1997.

“Student Motivation and Achievement Testing: A Causal Model.” Submitted for Sponsored Programs and Research Category II: Productive Scholarship, October 1996.

“Effects on Preservice Teachers Developing Sense of Self-Efficacy.” Submitted for Sponsored Programs and Research Category II: Productive Scholarship, October 1995.

“Study of the Influences of Self-Efficacy on Preservice Teachers.” South Carolina Center for Excellence in the Assessment of Student Learning October, 1995. Funded: \$1,000.

## Research and Publications

### Research

Magpuri-Lavell, T. & Smith, G. (2022). The University System of Georgia literacy review: A review of the educator preparation process in early reading instruction. A Report of findings. Sandra Dunagan Deal Center for Early Language and Literacy, Milledgeville, GA. [A Collaborative Project with USG Educator Preparation & Policy Associate Vice Chancellor Bolton-Gary]

### Book Chapter

Fabrikant, K., Bolton, C., York, C., & J. Hodge (2017). Acting as one: The impact of high stakes assessment on candidates, curriculum and teacher education faculty. In Many, J. & Bhatnagar, R. (Eds.) Contemporary issues in accreditation, assessment, and program evaluation research in educator preparation. Information Age Publishing: Charlotte, NC.

### Scholarly Refereed Journal Publications

Fabrikant, K., Bolton, C., York, C. S., & Hodge, A. (2019). Using supports to improve teacher work sample portfolio (edTPA) outcomes. GATEways to Teacher Education, 29(2), 60-75. [https://issuu.com/gaate/docs/gateways\\_2019\\_volume\\_29\\_issue\\_2](https://issuu.com/gaate/docs/gateways_2019_volume_29_issue_2)

Bolton-Gary, C. (2014). Living theory: Dramatization in educational psychology. International Journal of Teaching and Faculty Development, 4(3).

Bolton-Gary, C. (2013). Pooh’s corner: Teaching educational psychology at the intersection of children’s literature and technology. Childhood Education, 89(6): 387-391.

Bolton-Gary, C. (2012). Connecting through comics: Expanding opportunities for teaching and learning. US-China Education Review, 2(4): 389-395.

- Bolton-Gary, C. (2011). Creating and sustaining a culture of assessment. SCATE Journal, 2011 Edition: 90-97.
- Bolton-Gary, C. (2009). Center of Excellence in Collaborative Learning: Final project report. Columbia, SC: Commission of Higher Education.
- Bolton-Gary, C. (2008). Diverse pathways to teacher preparation: Seed Grant Report. Columbia, SC: University of South Carolina Columbia.
- Bolton-Gary, C. (2008). Center of Excellence in Collaborative Learning: Year 4. Columbia, SC: Commission of Higher Education.
- Bolton, C. (1997). Developing teachers: A novice-expert study of initial teacher preparation. ERIC Document No.: 405 335.
- Bolton, C. (1997). Preservice teachers' sense of efficacy and the influence of performance assessment. SRATE Journal, 6 (2).
- Bolton, C. (1997). Try different techniques to manage discipline. CenterPoints, 5 (1).
- Bolton, C., Stritter, F., White, K. (1996). The construct validity of the Relationship Instrument. ERIC Document No.: 398 282.
- Bolton, C. (1995). Motivational strategies in the utopian school. SCATE/SCACTE Conference Proceedings, November 1995.
- Bolton, C., White, K., Stritter, F. (1995). Relationship skills in a clinical performance examination: Reliability and validity of the Relationship Instrument. Eric Document No.: 390 000.
- Bolton, C. (1993). Celebrating Diversity in Education. (International Counselor's Scholarship Essay Recipient). Kappa Delta Pi, July, 1993.

### **Scholarly Reports**

- Title II Reports: National Teacher Preparation Data (2010 – 2019). Higher Education Act.
- Armstrong College of Education Annual Assessment Report (2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017). Armstrong Atlantic State University, Savannah, GA.
- Armstrong College of Education Assessment Manual (written 2013, updates 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017). Armstrong Atlantic State University, Savannah, GA.
- CAEP/NCATE Annual Reports (2008 – 2017). Council for the Accreditation of Education Preparation.
- AACTE Annual PEDS Report (2010-2015). America Association of Colleges for Teacher Education, Washington, DC.
- NCATE Institutional Report (January 2010). National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education, Washington, DC.
- NAEYC Response (March 2010). National Association for the Education of Young Children, Washington, DC.
- University of South Carolina Beaufort Diversity Plan Report (July 2010). South Carolina State Department of Education, Columbia, SC.
- University of South Carolina Beaufort Assessment Report (July 2010). South Carolina State Department of Education, Columbia, SC.
- University of South Carolina Beaufort ADEPT Report (July 2010). South Carolina State Department of Education, Columbia, SC.
- University of South Carolina Beaufort Education Majors Handbook (2010). University of South Carolina Beaufort Department of Education, Beaufort, SC.
- University of South Carolina Beaufort Clinical Interns Handbook (2010). University of South Carolina Beaufort Department of Education, Beaufort, SC.
- Center of Excellence in Collaborative Learning Final Report (September 2009). Commission of Higher Education, Columbia, SC.

Assessment System Summary (August 2009, updates 2010-2012). University of South Carolina Beaufort Department of Education, Beaufort, SC.

CECL External Evaluation (September 2009). With D'Amico, L. (Primary Investigator). Commission of Higher Education, Columbia, SC.

Diverse Pathways Seed Grant Report (November 2008). University of South Carolina, Columbia SC.

### **Scholarly Presentations**

#### **International: Refereed Presentations**

Unpacking the Evidence: A Review and Reflection of Professional Preparation Evaluation Measures. American Educational Research Association, Toronto, Canada: April 2019.

Building Powerful Partnerships across the Seas: Faculty and Student Exchange Opportunities. University of South Bohemia, Ceske Budejovice, Czech Republic, May 2018

Bright Spots: The Power of Success to Improve Teacher Preparation. Hawaii International Conference on Education, Honolulu, Hawaii: January 2018.

Living Theory: Dramatization in Educational Psychology. American Educational Research Association, Vancouver, Canada: April 2012.

#### **National: Refereed Presentations**

Aligning Academic Degrees to Workforce Needs Through Program Authorization: Perspectives from Three State Systems (GA, TN, and LA). Association for Institutional Research, Cleveland, Ohio: May 30 – June 2, 2023 with David Tanner and Brian Simmons, Carl Vinson Institute of Government.

Program Assessment: Lessons learned from a pilot employer survey on graduate preparation and quality. Association for Institutional Research, Cleveland, Ohio: May 30 – June 2, 2023 with David Tanner, Tristen Denley, & Julie Roberts.  
Sustaining the PDS through Tumultuous Change. National Association for Professional Development Schools, Atlanta, GA: February 2019 with E. Whitford, K. Newman, & D. Stone.

Acting as One: The Power of Motivation to Improve edTPA Outcomes. American Educational Research Association, San Antonio, TX. April 2017 with K. Fabrikant.

Eating an Elephant: Impact, Implications and Impressions of Implementing edTPA. American Educational Research Association, Washington DC: April 2016.

It Takes a Village: Creating Academic and Structural Supports for edTPA. National edTPA Implementation Conference. Savannah, GA: March 31-April 2, 2016.

Creating Structural and Academic Supports for edTPA: How Far is Too Far? 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Eastern Educational Research Association. Hilton Head Island, SC: February 2016

Navigating the New Landscape of Educator Preparation: Lessons Learned & Insightful Perspectives of Initial edTPA Implementation. American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education, Atlanta, GA: February 2015. (Collaborative presentation with K. Fabricant, J. Erskine, M. Morris, G. Ogletree)

Strengthening Teacher Preparation and Development Through Evolving Partnerships. American Educational Research Association, Philadelphia, PA: April 2014.

Words of Wisdom for New Instructors Teaching Educational Psychology (roundtable session). American Educational Research Association, San Francisco, CA: April 2013.

Mapping the Journey: Concept Maps in Teaching and Learning. The SoTL Commons: A Conference for the Scholarship of Teaching & Learning: March 2012.

Pooh's Lessons: Using Children's Literature and Comics to Construct Knowledge of Teaching and Learning. American Educational Research Association, New Orleans, LA: April 2011

Constructing Concepts: Innovations in Early Childhood Teacher Preparations. Southeastern Regional Association of Teacher Education, Savannah, GA: October 2011.

Evaluating Program Impact in Alignment with Cultural Expectations of Success. Poster Presentation at the American Evaluation Association with Leigh D'Amico and Bob Petrulis from Office of Professional Evaluation, University of South Carolina. Austin, TX: November 5, 2010.

Creating and Sustaining a Culture of Assessment: Building an Assessment System from the Ground Up. Annual South Carolina Association of Teacher Education Conference. Hilton Head Island, SC: October 2, 2010.

Blooming Differentiation: Inspiring all students to learn. Kappa Delta Pi Biennial Convocation, Orlando, FL, October 2009.

Intelligences, Styles, Domains, Preferences: How Brain Research Should Guide Instruction? Kappa Delta Pi Biennial Convocation, Orlando, FL, November 2001.

Positive Discipline: Tried and True Methods for Encouraging Children. Kappa Delta Pi Biennial Convocation, Orlando, FL, November 2001.

Effective Discipline: Myth or Reality? Kappa Delta Pi Biennial Convocation with Debra Mims (USCA student). Baltimore, MD, November 1999.

Instruction: Multiple Intelligences Theory in Action. Kappa Delta Pi Biennial Convocation with Ann Wade and Carol Saunders (USCA students). Baltimore, MD, November 1999.

Popcorn Lessons: Multiple Intelligences in Action. 41st Biennial International Kappa Delta Pi Convocation with Barbara Wierzbicki (USCA student). St. Louis, MO: November 1997.

Developing Teachers: A Novice-Expert Study of Initial Teacher Preparation. American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education, February 1997: Phoenix, Arizona.

The Construct Validity of the Relationship Instrument. American Educational Research Association Annual Conference, April 1996: NY, NY.

Exploring the Doctor-Patient Relationship: The Reliability and Validity of the Relationship Instrument. American Educational Research Association Annual Conference, April 1995: San Francisco, CA.

Measuring the Doctor-Patient Relationship and Communication in a Clinical Performance Examination. Paper presented at the 1994 Ottawa Conference on Medical Education Petrusa, E., Camp, G., Harward, D., Richards, B., Smith, A., Willis, S. from UNC Medical School. June 1994: Toronto, Ontario.

Coaching: An Essential Component of the Paideia Proposal. National Paideia Conference. Chapel Hill, North Carolina: July 1993.

### **National Conferences: Chair and/or Discussant**

"Innovations in Educational Psychology Instruction and Design." American Educational Research Association, San Francisco, CA: April 2013.

"Examining Teachers' Sense-Making: Struggle, Success, and Agency." Chair at the American Educational Research Association 2009 Annual Conference, San Diego, CA: April 2009.

"Representing and Enhancing Math Teacher Knowledge." Discussant at the American Educational Research Association 2007 Annual Conference, Chicago, IL: April 2007.

"Selected Dimensions in Multiple Intelligences." Chair and Discussant at the American Educational Research Association 2007 Annual Conference, Chicago, IL: April 2007.

"Professional Development Schools." American Educational Research Association 1998 Annual Conference, San Diego, CA: April 1998.

"Successful College Partnerships". Discussant, Teacher Cadet Conference, Myrtle Beach, SC: October 1997.

### **Regional: Refereed Presentations**

Trauma Informed Practice, Toxic Stress and School Climate: Underlying Issues that Support Students and School Safety. Southeastern Regional P-20 Collaborative, Springfield, GA: October 23, 2018.

Using Data and Experiences to Strengthen Candidate edTPA Supports. Georgia Professional Standards Commission edTPA Conference, Macon, GA: December 7, 2016 (with K. Fabrikant & M. Morris).

Lessons Learned: The Educative Value of edTPA. edTPA Southeast Regional Summit. Savannah, GA: March 30, 2015. (Collaborative presentation with K. Fabricant, J. Erskine, M. Morris, G. Ogletree).

Using the Zone of Proximal Faculty Development to Create a Culture of Assessment. South Carolina Association of Teacher Education, Florence, SC: September 2011.

Creating and Sustaining a Culture of Assessment. South Carolina Association of Teacher Education, Bluffton, SC: September 2010.

Structure and Organization: Taking the Bite Out of Research Projects. Lowcountry Instructional Share Fair with Deborah Anderson. University of South Carolina Beaufort, January 2009.

Positive Discipline. CSRA Mathematics and Sciences Hub Instructional Share Fair with A. Berry (USCA student). USCA, March 2000

Listen to What I Say as I Talk About Discipline and Play. SCAEYC Share a Moment with a Child Conference, USCA April 1999.

Constructing and Implementing General Education Assessment Instruments: Lessons Learned. Co-Presented with the USCA Academic Assessment Committee at the South Carolina Higher Education Assessment Conference, November 1998: Hilton Head, SC.

Expanding the Methods of Quality Assessment. South Carolina Higher Education Assessment Conference, November 1997: Myrtle Beach, SC.

Conversations from diverse perspectives: Empowering effective teachers in higher education. Teaching Methodologies for the 21st Century Conference, May 1997: Aiken, SC.

Sailing the Turbulent Seas: The Journey Through Preservice Teacher Education. South Carolina Association of Teacher Educators/South Carolina Association of Colleges for Teacher Educators, October 1996: Charleston, SC.

Black and White to Shades of Gray: Case Method Pedagogy for Assessing Higher Order Thinking Skills. South Carolina Higher Education Assessment Conference, November 1996: Myrtle Beach, SC.

Mining the Media: Using Pop Culture as Text in Teacher Education. SRATE Conference in Charleston, SC: October 1996.

Whole Language in the College Classroom: The Geography-Literature Link. SRATE Conference in Charleston, SC.: October 1996.

Performance Assessment Influences Preservice Teachers' Sense of Efficacy. South Carolina Center for Excellence in the Assessment of Student Learning Conference, Columbia, SC February 1996.

The Use of Performance Assessment in Teacher Education: Avoiding Roadkill in the Classroom. South Carolina Higher Education Assessment Conference with Barbara Wierzbicki, Jane DiTullio (USCA students). Myrtle Beach, SC November 1995.

Motivational Strategies in the Utopian School. South Carolina Association for Teacher Educators Conference, Charleston, SC: October 1995.

Preferred Ways of Learning. Southeastern Regional Association of Teacher Educators Conference in Charleston, SC: October 1994.

### **Invited Workshops & Presentations**

Powerful Partners for Educator Diversity: BranchEd and the University System of Georgia. Branch Alliance for Educator Diversity Board of Directors. Atlanta, GA: October 26, 2022.



edTPA Results: A Tool to Inform Induction. Georgia Southeastern P20 Collaborative Partnership in Savannah, GA: March 2, 2016.

Collaborative Induction Partnership Initiative. Georgia Southeastern P20 Collaborative Partnership in Brunswick, GA: October 21, 2015.

Building Collaborative Program Evaluation through Powerful Partnerships. Attaining New Heights in Teacher and Principal Induction Georgia Induction Summit 2015 Through Powerful P-20 Partnerships. Mercer University. Atlanta, Georgia: May 1, 2015 (Collaborative presentation with SCCPSS Dr. Deonn Stone.)

Making Clinical Preparation a Reality: Partnering with P-12 Schools to Create Powerful Partnerships. Transforming Educator Preparation Conference, Atlanta, GA. September 2-4, 2014. (Collaborative presentation with SCCPSS Dr. Deonn Stone.)

Curriculum Mapping in Higher Education. Armstrong Atlantic State University Faculty Development Workshop: November 15, 2013.

Building Partnerships through Collaboration, Communication, and Co-Teaching. Georgia Professional Standards Commission Technical Assistance Conference. May 29, 2013.

An Evolving Partnership: Armstrong Atlantic State University and Savannah Chatham Count School System. 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Title II, Part A "Advancing Teacher Quality in Georgia" Conference. March 5, 2013.

Collaboration that Works. Georgia Professional Standards Committee Conference in Macon, GA: November 2012.

Learning Styles, Cognitive Domains, Educational Preferences, and Multiple Intelligences: What Are They and Do I have to Teach It All? Presented for the Blackville School District, January 2001.

Multimedia in the Classroom. Workshop presented at the Phi Delta Kappa and CSRA Mathematics and Sciences Hub Share Fair, USCA, January 1999.

Multiple Intelligences and the Teaching of Reading. Workshop presented to Aiken County First Grade Teachers, March 13, 1998.

Multiple Intelligences in Mathematics and Sciences. Workshop presented at the Phi Delta Kappa and CSRA Mathematics and Sciences Hub Share Fair, USCA, February 1998.

Innovative instruction: Using Case Methods to Challenge Students Learning. Teaching Methodologies for the 21st Century Conference, May 1997: Aiken, SC.

Using Multiple Intelligences to Integrate and Motivate. New Ellenton Middle School Teachers, March 1998: New Ellenton, SC.

Multiple Intelligences in the Middle School. South Carolina Association of Middle School Principals, October, 1996: Columbia, SC.

Adolescent Development. A seminar for South Carolina middle school teachers in conjunction with the Carnegie Council on Adolescent Development, Spring 1995: Graniteville, SC

Instructional Strategies and Teaching Skills. Faculty Development Seminar Series for medical faculty and fellows. Duke University Medical Center, Fall 1993; UNC-Chapel Hill Medical School, Summer 1994.

### **Professional Development Seminars\***

**(Created and Presented at the North Carolina Center for the Advancement of Teaching)**

Bolton, C. & Hauge, S. (2006, 2007, 2008). Connect to Your Future (2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> year Beginning Teacher instructional support and professional development)

Bolton, C. & Coward, R. (2006, 2007, 2008). Connections (1<sup>st</sup> year Beginning Teacher support focused on Poverty)

Bolton, C. (2008). Light the Way: Exploring the Lighthouses of the Outer Banks

Modler, D., Scott, E., & Bolton, C. (2008). Visual Journal: Where the Image Meets the Word

Bolton, C. (2007, 2008). Front Porch Swings and Onion Rings: Enduring Myths and Emerging Realities

Bolton, C. & Sacardi, M. (2007, 2008). Teaching Writing Through Children's Literature

Wade, J. & Bolton, C. (2007). Left Behind: Children in Poverty

Bolton, C., Horton, J. & Sutter, R. (2007). Appalachian Spring Wildflowers  
 Kahn, C. & Bolton, C. (2007). Get the Picture? The Math, Science, and Art of Photography  
 Coward, R. & Bolton, C. (2007). The Mountain  
 Bolton, C. & Miller, M. (2007). Everyday Geometry: Art, Nature, and Architecture  
 Bolton, C. (2007). First in Flight: Aviation History and the Outer Banks  
 Coward, R., Bolton, C. (2006). Building an Awareness of the Needs of Children in Poverty.  
**\*3 Graduate Credit Hours**

### National and Regional Seminars – selected topics

Case Studies and General Education Assessment	Performance Assessment
Parenting Adolescents	Teaching and Learning
Multiple Intelligences	Special Education Issues: Gifted/LD/ADHD
Classroom Management	Positive Discipline/Love and Logic
Supporting and Meeting the Needs of New Teachers	LiveText and Assessment Systems

### Dissertation Committees

*Developing a Framework to Understand Teachers' Self-efficacy in the Teaching of Writing.*  
 Barbara Wierzbicki in partial fulfillment for the degree Doctor of Education, West Virginia University, 2018.

*Investigation into the Need for Fire Instructor Curriculum Reform.*  
 Christopher D. Garniewicz in partial fulfillment for the degree Doctor of Education, Northeastern University, 2022.

### Courses

#### Education Courses (undergraduate)

BEDE 340	Education of the Young Child
BEDX 300	Introduction to Exceptional Learner
BEDP 333	Introduction to Child Growth and Development
BEDC 400	Classroom Management
EDU 2100	How Schools Work
EDU 2600 (HD 571)	Theories of Learning (North Park University)
AEDC 110/110L	Introduction to Education (Teacher Cadets)
B/AEDP 335/EDU 226	Educational Psychology
AEDP 330	Lifespan Development
AEDC 442	Instructional Technology
EDUC 71	Child Psychology and Development (UNC-CH)

#### Graduate Courses

EDLD 7535	Utilizing Data for Leadership (Redesigned – Spring 2024)
EDAT 7131	Enhancing Student Performance (Spring 2024)
ECEG 7990	Special Topics in Early Childhood/Special Education
EDU 5300	Assessment/Approaches to Instruction
EDU 5100	Classroom Dynamics
AELE 780	Seminar: Education Psychology
AELE 764	Seminar: Action Research
AEDP 705	Theories of Development
EDUC 633	Teaching Gifted Children
AEDC 633	Classroom Management
AEDC 633	Instructional Decisions and Learning
SPED 135	Introduction to Exceptional Children (UNC-CH)

#### Clinical Courses

AEDC 310/BEDE 210	Observation and Analysis
AEDC 311	Clinical Tutorial Experience
AEDS 462	Advanced Secondary Practicum
AEDS 471/AEDL 469	Directed Teaching (Student Teaching)
AEDS 476/BEDE 576	Senior Seminar: Professional Development

### Consulting

**Armstrong State University & Savannah Chatham County Public School System:** Consultant on Teacher and Leader Keys: TIP and PIP evaluation programs and assessment models.

- THRIVE Data Annual Presentations: 2013-2017
- THRIVE Webinar: July 2016
- Leader Keys Webinar: July 2016

**University of South Carolina Beaufort:** External evaluator for NOYCE Grant S-STEM. Enabling the future: Scholarships in Computational Science, award \$600,000.

**Kids In Transition:** Consultant to homeschooling families making the transition from homeschool to public school/college. Collaborated with schools, teachers, and students to create successful and smooth transitions, 2002-2006.

**Kappa Delta Pi:** Consultant to Regional Chapters in universities and colleges in Wisconsin and Northern Illinois, 2002-2003.

## **Professional Activities and Service**

### **National Accreditation Association**

Council for Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP):

Council member: Reappointed 2024 – present; 2017 – 2023

Policy Board: 2017 – 2023

Site visitor: 2015 – 2017

### **Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges**

External Evaluator: 2018-2021

### **State Task Force**

Georgia Joint Task Force on Reading, Language and Literacy: Co-Chair 2023

Georgia Professional Standards Commission Task Force: Urban Education 2018

Georgia Professional Standards Commission Task Force: Preparation Program Effectiveness Measures 2013-2016

P-20 Collaborative Statewide Leadership Committee: 2018-Present

### **Professional and Academic Associations**

Georgia P-12 Collaborative Partnership: Department of Education & GaPSC, 2014 - 2023

Action in Teacher Education (ATE): Manuscript Reviewer, 2014 – 2019

University System of Georgia Board of Regents: Educator Preparation Data Reform Project, 2013 – 2017

Georgia Assessment Directors Association, 2012-2018

Georgia Dispositions Task Force, 2016 - 2018

NCATE State Board of Examiners, 1997-2012

American Educational Research Association: 1992-Present

President: SIG Teaching Educational Psychology, 2013-2014

Program Chair: SIG Teaching Educational Psychology, 2012-2013

Secretary/Treasurer: Teaching Educational Psychology, 2011-2012

Editorial Reviewer 2008-Present

Division C & K and SIGs Teaching Educational Psychology, Academic Audit

Reviewer, Presenter, Session Chair and Discussant 1994-Present

Coordinated Division I Program, Atlanta, Georgia, 1993

Division I Program Committee Member: 1992-1996

American Psychological Association: Division 15 Educational Psychology

Manuscript Reviewer, 2015 - Present

Kappa Delta Pi: Psi Xi Chapter

National Advisory Committee for Beginning Teachers 2008-present.

Midwest Regional Consultant, 2002

National Constitution and By Laws Committee 1998 – 2002, Chair-2001-2002

Counselor/Advisor for USC Aiken (Psi Xi) Chapter

Delegate at the Biannual Conference 1999, 1997, 1992

Facilitator: Southeastern Leadership Forum

Counselor's Scholarship Recipient for essay entitled: Celebrating Diversity in Education

Phi Delta Kappa: National Educational Service Society

Vice President, 1996-1999

Program Committee Member 1999 - 2002

American Association for Colleges for Teacher Education: Program Reviewer

Association for Childhood Education International

Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development

Society for Children's Book Writers and Illustrators  
South Carolina Association of Teacher Educators: Presenter, Discussant  
South Carolina Higher Education Assessment Network: Presenter, Discussant 1995-2001

## **University Service**

### **Georgia Southern University**

Institute for Innovative and Integrated Studies (I3S)  
Academic Assessment Steering Committee: 2023 – Present  
Educational Leadership Search Committee (Chair): 2023 - Present  
Strategic Planning Sub-Committee Excellence in Teaching and Research: 2019  
Dean's Council: July 2017 – June 2018

### **Armstrong State University**

President's Joint Leadership Team, 2017- 2018  
Dean's Council, 2017-2018  
Academic Council, 2012-2018  
Dean's Advisory Council, 2012-2018  
Students with Learning Disorders, 2015-2018  
Graduate Appeals Committee, 2013-Present  
Dean of College of Education Search Committee, 2013-2014  
University Director of Assessment Search Committee (Chair), 2013  
University Ad Hoc Committee on Core Assessment  
University Ad Hoc Committee on Grade Appeal Policy

### **University of South Carolina Beaufort**

Courses and Curriculum, 2010-present, Secretary  
Institutional Research Committee, 2009-present  
Library Committee, 2009-2012  
Search Committee: Education 2010-2012  
Executive Leadership Team: CECL, 2008-2010  
General Education Committee, 2009-2010  
Search Committee: Library 2009

### **University of South Carolina Aiken**

Faculty Assembly Secretary 1999-2000  
Academic Assessment Committee: 1997-2000, Chair 1998-2000  
Courses and Curriculum Committee: Fall 1996-1999  
Chair 1998-1999, Faculty Assembly Speaker, 1996-1998  
New Faculty Orientation Committee: 1995-1998, Chair 1996-1998  
Grievance Subcommittee: Fall 1998  
Judicial Hearing Board (USCA): 2000-2002  
SACS Institutional Effectiveness Committee (USCA), 1998-2001  
USCA Diversity in Education Task Force: Chair, 1997-2001  
USCA Media Board: 1998-2002  
Faculty Advisor: Kappa Delta Pi 1997-2001  
NCAA Compliance Committee: Audit Author, 1996-2001 (USCA)  
Entrepreneurial Team: 1997-1998 (USCA)  
USCA Honors, Awards, and Scholarship Subcommittee: Teaching Excellence, 1997  
USCA Search Committee: Education, Chair, 1999, 1995  
USCA Search Committee: Music Department, 1999, 1998  
USCA Search Committee: Residence Life Director, 1999, 1998  
USCA Honors, Awards, and Scholarship Subcommittee: University Service, 1997  
USCA Honors, Awards, and Scholarship Subcommittee: Scholarly Activities, 1996  
National Science Foundation Grant Committee: 1995-1997  
USCA Task Force on Campus Computing: 1994-1995

## **College/Department Committees and Service**

### **Georgia Southern University**

Strategic Planning Subcommittee: Excellence in Teaching and Research  
College of Education Advisory Board  
College of Education Superintendents Advisory Committee  
Search Committees:

i2STEMe Faculty – Chair  
 Instructional Resources Center Coordinator – Chair  
 Diversity Task Force  
 Deans and Chairs Committee  
 College of Education Leadership Team  
 Professional Development Schools Oversight Committee – Chair  
 Hesse K-8  
 Richmond Hills High School  
 Elementary Teacher Advisory Committee  
 ATLAS Administrator

### **Armstrong Atlantic State University**

Armstrong & Georgia Southern Consolidation: Operational Working Group (OWG) #12: College of Education, 2017-18  
 OWG Endorsements (Chair)  
 OWG Assessment and Accreditation (Chair)  
 OWG Clinical Experiences and Certification  
 College Assessment Committee (Chair), 2012-Present  
 Dean's Leadership Team, 2012- Present  
 Data Management Team (Chair), 2012-Present  
 edTPA Committee, Policy and Process (subcommittee – Chair), 2013-2018

### **University of South Carolina Beaufort**

Teacher Education Advisory Board Chair, 2008-2012  
 NCATE Coordinator, 2009-2012  
 Assessment Chair, 2009-2012  
 LiveText coordinator, 2009-2012  
 USCB Professional Program Committee  
 USCB Acceptance/Waiver Committee  
 Assessment Coordinator  
 NCATE Writer/Editor (USCB, 2009-2010; Aurora—2004-2006; and USCA)  
 Course/Syllabus Developer (USCB 2009- present; Aurora—2004-2006; USCA)  
 Editor: EdVentures (CECL Newsletter) 2008-2009  
 Peer Observer and Instructional Mentor (~2 per year)  
 Guest Lecturer (~ 4 per year): Psychology, C&I, Instructional Leadership & Supervision, Exceptional Learners  
 Advisor for 50+ undergraduate elementary and early childhood students (each year since 1995)

### **University of South Carolina Aiken**

USCA College Partner for Teacher Cadets: 1994-2001  
 National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) Early Childhood Working Group: 1996-2001  
 National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) Elementary Working Group: 1996-2001  
 Secondary Education Advisory Council (Aiken): 1994 - 2001  
 Early Childhood/Elementary Education Advisory Council (Aiken): 1994 - 2001  
 Graduate Education Program Committee: 1994-2001  
 Elementary Education Program Committee: 1994-2001  
 Secondary Education Program Committee: 1994-2001  
 Kappa Delta Pi Charter Committee: Chair, 1996-1997  
 USCA M.Ed. Recruitment Coordinator: 1994-1996  
 USCA Education News: Editor, 1994-1997  
 Attendance Policy Committee: 1994  
 Director: Teacher Cadets  
 Established and administered two annual \$1,000 competitive scholarships for area Teacher Cadets.  
 Increased the number of Teacher Cadet Sites from 5 to 14.  
 Increased the number of Teacher Cadets matriculating at USCA.  
 Established Teacher Cadet College Visit Days.  
 Established, organized and hosted Annual Teacher Cadet Conferences for 250+ Cadets.  
 Mentor for area high school students' Job Shadowing Activities.  
 Editor: Education News (1994-1998)

<b>Community Service</b>
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### **Board of Directors**

- First Steps Beaufort County Partnership Board of Trustees, 2009 – 2012

- Island School Council for the Arts: 2011 – 2012
- Hardeeville High/Middle School Math, Science, & Engineering Academy, 2008-2009

## **Volunteer**

- Seahawk Theatre Guild
- PTA Hilton Head Island International Baccalaureate High School
- Literacy and Research Volunteer, Hilton Head Island International Baccalaureate Elementary School
- Math Volunteer: Hilton Head Island International Baccalaureate Elementary School
- Mystery Reader Program: Hilton Head Island International Baccalaureate Elementary School
- Senior Project Evaluator and Judge: Smoky Mountain High School, 2006-2008
- Illinois State Board of Education: Bias Review Board 2005 – 2006
- Director of Women's Connection 2005 Conference: November 11-13, Lake Geneva, IL
- O.P.E.N. HOUSE: Founded the Crystal Lake, IL homeschool support group, treasurer 2001-2003.
- Guardian ad Litem for 2<sup>nd</sup> Judicial District of South Carolina
- IDEA and ADA Hearing Officer: State and Local (SC)
- Names Project Quilt; Reader