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Education

Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN

Doctorate of Philosophy, Educational Studies, December 2003

Dissertation: The impact of alumni satisfaction with their undergraduate academic experience on alumni giving and alumni participation

Advisor: Judith Gappa

Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN

Certificate, Information Systems Technology, August 2000

Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN

Master of Science, Educational Studies, May 1996

Huntington College, Huntington, IN

Bachelor of Arts, Psychology, May 1994

Research and Teaching Interests

- ~ Student learning
- ~ Student participation and involvement
- ~ Student motivation

Professional Experience

Coordinator of Academic Enrichment Center/Assistant Professor, Taylor University, Upland, IN. August 2006 – Present.

Teach various courses. Advise students. Provide academic counseling to students in planning, time management, test preparation, test anxiety, decision making, note taking, reading skills, and general study skills. Conduct various on campus presentations to promote the services of the AEC and to equip faculty, staff, and students to help students succeed academically.

Courses taught include.

- ~ HED 580 "Inquiry in Higher Education"
- ~ IAS 110 "Foundations of Christian Thought Discussion Group"
- ~ IAS 180 "Applied Learning Techniques – Verbal"
- ~ IAS 410 "Speed Reading"

Teaching Assistant, Department of Educational Studies, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN. August 2002 – May 2003.

Taught classroom management course to elementary education majors. Course included creating learning environments, classroom discipline, and interacting with school personnel and parents to prepare students to successfully manage their own classroom.

Teaching Assistant, Department of Educational Studies, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN. August 2002 - December 2002.

Taught course on academic and career planning to freshman students. Administered assessment and interest inventories to help students identify academic majors and potential careers.

Adjunct Faculty, Huntington College, Huntington, IN. January 1999.

Taught course on woodcarving. Course included basic woodcarving techniques with projects in chip carving, caricatures, relief, and stylized.

Graduate Assistant for Student Ambassadors, Purdue Alumni Association, West Lafayette, IN. January 1998 – April 2000

Helped create a student organization for the Purdue Alumni Association. Assisted in the advising of students and the administration of the new organization.

Tutor and Mentor, Intercollegiate Athletics Department, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN. August 1997 – May 2003.

Aided students in developing academic and personal growth skills to help them become better students and adjust to college. Tutored undergraduate students in psychology, computer technology, and statistics.

Graduate Assistant for Special Events, Purdue Alumni Association, West Lafayette, IN. August 1996 – December 1998

Coordinated and assisted in event planning for homecoming and for the class reunion weekend.

Teaching Assistant, Child Development & Family Studies Department, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN. January 1995 – June 1995.

Responsibilities included, assisting professor in instruction, creating assignments and projects for undergraduate students, and evaluating and assessing student progress.

Awards and Grants

- ~ *Educational Technology Center Mini-Grant*, Taylor University, Upland, IN, (May 2007).
- ~ *The H.S. Warnick Research Award for Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation*, Co-recipient, Council for Advancement and Support of Education, (June 2004)
- ~ *Educational Studies Graduate Teaching Award*, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, (April 2003).
- ~ *School of Education Outstanding Dissertation Award Finalist*, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, (March 2004).

Publications

- Gaier, S. E. (2005). Alumni satisfaction with their undergraduate academic experience and the impact on alumni giving and participation. *International Journal of Educational Advancement*, 5, 279-288.
- Gaier, S. E. (2003). The impact of alumni satisfaction with their undergraduate academic experience on alumni giving and alumni participation. *Dissertation Abstracts International*.
- Gaier, S. E. (2001). *Increasing alumni involvement and alumni financial support through a student alumni association*. (ERIC Document Reproduction Service No. ED451767).
- Gaier, S. E. (2001). *Student alumni association questionnaire*. (Available through the Council for Advancement and Support of Education Library). Washington, D.C.

Conference Presentations

- ~ Gaier, S. E. (1993, April). *Effects of voluntary self-expression on academic intrinsic motivation*. Paper presented at the Mid-America Undergraduate Psychology Research Conference, Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, IL.

Other presentations

- ~ *Generating student success with reading assignments*. Center for Teaching and Learning Excellence: Teaching Effectiveness Workshop, Taylor University, Upland, IN, (March 2008).
- ~ *Generating student success with reading assignments*. Center for Teaching and Learning Excellence: Teaching Effectiveness Workshop. Taylor University, Upland, IN, (January 2008).
- ~ *Creating PowerPoint instructional videos with voice-narration*. Presented at the 5th Annual Technology for Teaching Conference. Taylor University, Upland, IN, (August 2007).

Service to Taylor University

- ~ Athletic Review Subcommittee: Member, (January 2008 – present).
- ~ Chapel Presentation: “Knowing Christ,” (January 2008).
- ~ Enrollment Committee: Member, (September 2007 – present).
- ~ Athletic, Financial Aid, Enrollment Committee: Member, (September 2007 – present).
- ~ Colleagues College Committee: Member, (September 2007 – present).
- ~ Residence Life Wing Hookup: Host family for English Hall, 2nd South, (October 2006 – present).
- ~ Orientation Group: Faculty host, (August 2007).
- ~ Global Expressions: Faculty host to international student, (October 2006 – May 2007).
- ~ Community Life Committee: Member, (September 2006 – May 2007).
- ~ Orientation Group: Faculty host, (August 2006).

Professional Memberships

- ~ International Association of Teacher Scholars, (December 2007 – present).
- ~ Indiana Chapter of the National Association for Developmental Education, (September 2006 – present).
- ~ National Association for Developmental Education, (September 2006 – present).

Professional Service

- ~ Journal on Excellence in College Teaching: Reviewer, (March 2008 – present).

Professional Conferences Attended

- ~ Lilly Conference on College Teaching, Traverse City, MI, (October 2007).
- ~ National Association for Developmental Education Conference, Nashville, TN, (March 2007).
- ~ Council for Advancement and Support of Education Annual Assembly, San Diego, CA, (July 2004).
- ~ American Educational Research Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, (March 1997).

Service to the Community

- ~ Trinity Baptist Church: Deacon, (January 2008 – present).
- ~ Trinity Baptist Church: Member, (April 2007 – present).
- ~ Preach at various churches upon their request, (September 2006 – present).