

# University of Louisiana at Lafayette

## College of Education Faculty Curriculum Vitae Information

### Ford, Mary Jane (Ed.D.)

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Education	EdD Elementary Education University of Southern Mississippi 1984 MSE Elementary Education University of Arkansas 1975 BSE Elementary Education Arkansas A & M College 1970  ULearn Certified Course Designer by UL Lafayette Office of Distance Learning (2014) ULearn Certified Online Teacher by UL Lafayette Office of Distance Learning (2014)
Teaching Philosophy	My teaching philosophy is simple: know your content and know how to teach that content so that all students can understand.
Bio	<p>After receiving her Bachelor Degree in Education in 1970, Mary Jane Ford taught third graders in Lake Village, Arkansas, for one year and then taught third graders and/or fourth graders in Fayetteville, Arkansas for ten years. While teaching in Fayetteville, she took courses at the University of Arkansas to earn her Master of Science in Education in 1975. She spent two years in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, at the University of Southern Mississippi, working as a Graduate Teaching Assistant and a Graduate Research Assistant while pursuing her doctorate. She completed her doctorate in October of 1983.</p> <p>Dr. Ford taught at Louisiana Tech University in Ruston for two quarters as a Emergency Temporary Assistant Professor. In the fall of 1984, she was employed by the University of Southwestern Louisiana in Lafayette as an Assistant Professor to teach math methods and instructional technology courses. In 1988 she received tenure and was promoted to Associate Professor and then promoted to Full Professor in 1993. She served as Department Head of Curriculum and Instruction from 1995 to 1997. In December of 1997, she</p>

	<p>was named Interim Dean of the College of Education and served in that position for 18 months. She returned to the position of Department Head in 1999. She chose to return to full time teaching in May of 2008.</p> <p>Dr. Ford was instrumental in providing technology for faculty and students in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction by pursuing grants to create two instructional labs in Maxim Doucet for the department's use and developing instructional technology courses for the department.</p>
Courses Taught	<p>EDCI 100 Orientation to Teacher Education  EDCI 349 PK-6 Mathematics Methods I  IRED 495(G) Special Topics in Instructional Technology  EDCI 523 Elementary Math Methods</p>
Research Interests	<p>Implementation of and preparation of materials for interactive white boards such as Promethean boards.  Online Learning in teacher education.</p>
Teaching Experience	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>PUBLIC SCHOOL EXPERIENCE</b></p> <p>1971 - 1981 <u>Washington Elementary School.</u>  Fayetteville, Arkansas. Taught third grade for three years and third/fourth grade multi-age level for seven years.</p> <p>1970 - 1971 <u>Lakeside Elementary School.</u> Lake Village, Arkansas. Taught third grade.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>UNIVERSITY EXPERIENCE</b></p> <p>2008 - Present <u>University of Louisiana at Lafayette.</u>  Professor of Education</p> <p>1999 - 2008 <u>University of Louisiana at Lafayette.</u>  Professor of Education and</p> <p>1995 - 1997 Department Head of Curriculum and Instruction</p> <p>1997-1999 <u>University of Southwestern Louisiana.</u>  Professor of Education and Interim Dean of the College of Education</p> <p>1993 - 1995 <u>University of Southwestern Louisiana.</u>  Professor of Education.</p> <p>1988 - 1993 <u>University of Southwestern Louisiana.</u>  Associate Professor of Education.</p> <p>1984 - 1988 <u>University of Southwestern Louisiana.</u>  Assistant Professor of Education.</p> <p>1983 - 1984 <u>Louisiana Tech University.</u> Assistant Professor of Education.</p>
Publications	<p>Ma, Y., Williams, D., Ford, M. J., &amp; Prejean, L. (2009). The impact of a combination of vicarious and personal experiences on teachers' technology beliefs. In I. Gibson,</p>

	<p>R. Weber, K. McFerrin, R. Carlsen, &amp; D. A. Willis (Eds.), <i>Society for Information Technology &amp; Teacher Education International Conference Annual Volume 3</i> (pp. 1496-1501). Chesapeake, VA: Association for the Advancement of Computing in Education.</p> <p>Prejean, L., Williams, D., Ma, Y., &amp; Ford, M. J. (2009). Integrating fictional narrative in robotics activities. In I. Gibson, R. Weber, K. McFerrin, R. Carlsen, &amp; D. A. Willis (Eds.), <i>Society for Information Technology &amp; Teacher Education International Conference Annual Volume 7</i> (pp. 3830-3835). Chesapeake, VA: Association for the Advancement of Computing in Education.</p>
Presentations	<p>Ma, Y., Williams, D., Ford, M. J., &amp; Prejean, L. (2009). <i>The impact of a combination of vicarious and personal experiences on teachers' technology beliefs</i>. Paper presented at the Society for Information Technology &amp; Teacher Education International Conference, Charleston, SC, March 5, 2009.</p> <p>Prejean, L., Ford, M. J., Ma, Y., &amp; Williams, D. (2009). <i>Integrating fictional narrative in robotics activities</i>. Paper presented at the Society for Information Technology &amp; Teacher Education International Conference, Charleston, SC, March 5, 2009.</p> <p>Ma, Y., Prejean, L. M., &amp; Ford, M. J. (2009). Podcasting on planet earth. Presentation at the NSTA National Conference, New Orleans, LA, March 21.</p> <p>Prejean, L. M., Ma, Y., Ford, M. J., &amp; Prejean, A. (2009). Robots explore Mayan ruins. NSTA National Conference, New Orleans, LA, March 21.</p> <p>Prejean, L. M., Ma, Y., &amp; Ford, M. J. (2009). EduCaching: An invasive species scavenger hunt. NSTA National Conference, New Orleans, LA, March 22.</p>
Grants	<p>Ford, M. J., Lynch, D., &amp; Fontenot, B. (2009). <i>Promethean interactive whiteboards for teacher education</i>. Student Technology Enhancement Program, \$42,588, funded at \$21,294.</p>
Professional Memberships	<p>National Council of Teachers of Mathematics National Council for the Social Studies International</p>
Awards	<p>Florence Mauboules/BORSF Professorship in Education, Fall 2008 - Spring 2011 USL's Distinguished Professor, 1992 Phi Kappa Phi, 1990</p>

	Kappa Delta Pi, 1983
Dissertation	<p><b>Dissertation Title:</b> A Comparison of the Effectiveness of Four Methods of Presenting Practice Instances in Concept Acquisition. (1983).  The study compared four methods of presenting instances in social studies concept acquisition. A statistical analysis was conducted on the comparison of the posttests among the methods. Dr. Warren McKinney, Associate Professor, University of Southern Mississippi, was my dissertation advisor.</p>
Service	<p>Senator, Faculty Senate, 1988-2014  Member, Student Evaluation of Instruction Committee, 2008-2013  Chair, Student Evaluation of Instruction Committee, 2013-2014  Chair, College of Education Selective Admissions Committee, 1987-1995, 2010-2014  Member, College of Education Selective Admissions Committee, 1986-1987, 1995-2009  Chair, Standard 6 Governance Committee, NCATE, 2010  Chair, Qualifications, Screening, and Nominations Committee for Curriculum and Instruction Department Head Position, 2013  Member, Qualifications, Screening, and Nominations Committee for Curriculum and Instruction Early Childhood Position, 2013</p>