

# University of Louisiana at Lafayette

## College of Education Faculty Curriculum Vitae

### Dawn Orcino Williams, M.Ed.

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Education	M.Ed., Educational Technology, Northwestern State University B.S., Elementary Education, Louisiana State University Supervisor of Parish/City Materials and/or Media Centers Certification, Louisiana Department of Education Educational Technology Leader Certification, Louisiana Department of Education School Librarian Certification, Louisiana Department of Education
Teaching Philosophy	<p>My philosophy of teaching evolved from many years of teaching at the elementary level. I find that teaching students at the university level to be very similar to teaching students at the elementary level. As I reflect on my beliefs regarding teaching and learning, I find that my goal as an instructor is threefold:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>to promote positive learning;</li><li>to spark learner enthusiasm for learning;</li><li>and to provide content area instruction.</li></ul> <p>To some my next statement may seem odd, but I believe that content area instruction is of secondary importance to my other two goals. I feel that creating a caring, positive learning environment in which the student is encouraged to share and collaborate is essential. In addition, I adamantly believe that learning can and should be fun, and I put this belief into practice every day in the courses I teach. I demonstrate that teachers can simultaneously demand quality work and have fun. As an instructor of pre-service teachers, I strive to demonstrate my enthusiasm for teaching so as to give my students an enthusiasm for the teaching profession. It is my hope that my love of teaching is reflected in my students love for teaching.</p>

Bio	<p>Dawn is currently an instructor in the department of Education Curriculum and Instruction. She began her tenure at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette in 2009 as an adjunct instructor and has been employed as an instructor and as director of the College of Education Instructional Materials Center since 2011.</p> <p>Dawn graduated with a B.S. in Elementary Education from Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge in 1995. Immediately following graduation, she began her teaching career as a fifth grade teacher in Crowley, Louisiana. For the next twelve years, she remained a classroom teacher teaching first, third, fourth, and fifth grades. Dawn was selected as Acadia Parish's Elementary Teacher of the Year in 2005. In 2007, Dawn graduated with her Master's degree in Educational Technology from Northwestern State University and went on to obtain several certifications including a certification in school library. These certifications allowed her to serve as school librarian at two schools in Acadia Parish for the next four years.</p> <p>When she is not teaching, Dawn enjoys spending time with her children and grandchildren, reading, and gardening.</p>
Courses Taught	<p>EDCI 100 – Introduction to Teacher Education  EDCI 308 – Introduction to Children's Literature  LBSC 311 – Library Reference Materials  LBSC 312 – Library Cataloging</p>
Advising	I advise an average of 40 students per semester.
Research Interests	
Teaching Experience	<p>1995 – 2007, teacher, Acadia Parish, taught grades 1, 3, 4 and 5 in self-contained and departmentalized settings  2007 – 2011, librarian, Acadia Parish, managed school libraries at two schools  2011 – present, Instructor/Director, University of Louisiana at Lafayette, teach various EDCI courses and direct the operations of the Instructional Materials Center</p>
Conferences Attended	<p>Ag in the Classroom Workshop, Farm Bureau, 2013  Ag in the Classroom Workshop, Farm Bureau, 2012  COMPASS Training Workshop, LDOE, 2013  Ag in the Classroom Workshop, Farm Bureau, 2011  Ag in the Classroom Workshop, Farm Bureau, 2010  Ag in the Classroom Workshop, Farm Bureau, 2009  LaLAMP Conference, Louisiana Association of Library and Media Professionals, 2009</p>
Awards	<p>Outstanding Advisor Award, 2012  Outstanding Advisor Award, 2013</p>

Additional Skills	Quality Matters Certification, 2014
Service	Scholarship Committee Chairperson, 2012 – Present Honors Convocation Committee Member, 2012 – 2014 Religious Activities Committee Member, 2013 – 14 Faculty Senate Member, 2012 – 2014 Departmental Safety Coordinator, 2014