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### **Education**

M.S. Deaf Education | August 1987 | Bloomsburg University|

B.S. Elementary Education; Minor-Deaf Education | December 1985 | Bloomsburg University|

### **Experience**

#### **LECTURER SPECIAL EDUCATION - DHH | COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, DISABILITY, AND PSYCHOEDUCATIONAL STUDIES | UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA | 2022 - Present**

Responsibilities: Supporting students in a fully online master's degree teacher preparation program for teachers of the d/Deaf/hard of hearing. Preparing students for a variety of related careers (early intervention, preschool, K-12 classroom, resource, PK-12 itinerant); using knowledge of current trends and best practices; supporting culturally and linguistically diverse non-traditional students during their field experiences; highlighting best practices for the development of language, reading, and writing for d/Deaf and hard of hearing students; reinforcing use of reflective teaching; collaborating with course revisions.

Courses:

SERP 594 Language and Literacy Practicum (Fall/Spring)

SERP 593 Internship (Fall/Spring)

SERP 909 Final Portfolio Presentation (Fall/Spring)

SERP 567N Issues in DHH: Supporting Students in Public Schools

### **Certificates/Endorsements**

Arizona, Standard Professional Hearing Impaired Birth – Grade 12 (current)

Council for Exceptional Children – Certified Teacher of the Deaf/Hard of Hearing

### **Program Support**

Grant Writing – Program Director for OSEP grant: Representation and Diversity in Early Childhood Deaf education (RAD-ECDE)

### **Professional Organizations**

Council for Exceptional Children (Specialty Divisions: DCD, TED)

American Society for Deaf Children

National Association of the Deaf

ACEPP- Arizona Coalition for Education Preparation and Practice

### **Research Interests**

Coaching Pre-Service Teachers

Increasing Reading Proficiency in the DHH population

Assessments for DHH students

Early Language Acquisition using ASL