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EDUCATION:

- Sam Houston State University M.A. 1988 Adapted Physical Education
- Sam Houston State University B.A. Teaching 1985
 - Kinesiology and Health Education, and English – K-12 Texas teacher certification, Outdoor Education emphasis
- Certified Adapted Physical Educator (CAPE), Adapted Physical Education National Standards Certification
- Mediation: Training in conflict resolution, family mediation and group facilitation

EXPERIENCE:

- 1990- Assistant Professor of Instruction in the Department of Kinesiology and Health Education at The University of Texas at Austin. Creator and faculty in the Disability Studies Specialization in Motor and Cognitive Rehabilitation Science.
- 2005-2017 Director of Programs for the Autism Project at The University of Texas (TAP) an Initiative within the Department of Kinesiology and Health Education, College of Education, University of Texas at Austin
- 1988-1990 Adapted Physical Education Specialist, Meridell Achievement Center serving children and adolescents with emotional and behavioral disorders.
- 1988-1990 Adapted Physical Education Specialist, Leander, Texas, all-levels (K-12) Adapted Physical Education itinerant
- 1985-1988 Physical Education Specialist, Willis, Texas, elementary physical education teacher (1st-3rd grades)

UNIVERSITY SERVICE:

- Chair, UT Student Athlete's and Activities Committee
- University Minor in Disability Studies Committee
- Undergraduate Advisory Committee
- Movement and Cognitive Rehabilitation Science Committee
- College of Education Diversity Committee
- University Grievance Committee
- Advisor for undergraduates in the Kinesiology and Health Education Department.
- Physical Education Teacher Education Committee
- Webinar resource for UT Speech and Hearing program

INVITED KEYNOTE PRESENTATIONS:

- Texas State Autism Conference
- Austin Alliance for Audiologists and Speech Language Pathologists, Austin, TX
- Administrator's Conference on Disabilities – Bryan, TX
- Families for Autism Support and Awareness – Laredo, TX

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS:

- Over 450 presentations made to Texas Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance, Texas Regional Education Service Centers, Independent School Districts, and Professional Organizations (physical, speech, occupational therapy) and student organizations, American Alliance of Health Physical Education, Recreation and Dance National Conference speaker in Los Angeles and Baltimore

Current clinics include:

- “First Responders and Autism”
- “Client Services for Medical Personnel”
- "Adaptations for Physical Education: New Twist on an Old Topic"
- “Sensory and Motor Integration”
- "Assessment for Students with Disabilities"
- “Public Policy for People with Disabilities in Community Recreation”
- "Motor and Social Skills Activities for Children with Autism"
- “Creating Community Opportunities for People with Disabilities”
- “Developing Collaborative Programs: TAP”

COMMUNITY EVENTS AND DEVELOPMENT:

- Board of Directors and Advisory Council Candlelight Ranch
- Dell Autism Family Symposium, Georgetown Exceptional Children 5K, and Autism Walk
- Research partner with Austin Dog Alliance and curriculum for children with ASD
- Consultant and on-location coordinator for the 12th International Conference for the Sensory Processing Disorder Foundation, April 2011, Austin, TX
- Consultant and on-location coordinator for Future Horizons Conference, Austin, 2010
- Easter Seals partner for grant directed community-based activities for 10-21 year olds with ASD
- Mentored graduate students in Psychology through research in three Autism Project programs
- Annually assign and supervise 200 University of Texas students in service learning arrangements working with children with disabilities
- Presented 20 Sensory and Motor Integration Workshops on the UT campus involving UT students, parents, teachers, children and their siblings with autism
- Developed such programs as weekend camping trips with teenage boys with ASD, equine therapy and music centered weekend events on UT campus, and young adult programs for 19-25 year old adults with ASD
- Hosted and coordinated Super Sports Saturdays with Saint David’s Rehabilitation and Wheelchair Sports programs
- Consultation of additional AISD rooms dedicated exclusively to sensory and motor integration

- Coordinator of children's services: Children's Special Needs Network Conference - advisor and facilitator for the annual conference coordinating over 150 individuals with diverse disabilities ages birth to 22 years
- Placement and supervision of 100 students each semester for fieldwork experiences in the public schools.

CONSULTANT/COLABORATOR

- Autism Advisor for Calibre Press Police Training
- Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired
- Texas School for the Deaf
- Austin Independent School District
- Pflugerville Independent School District
- Autism Society of Greater Austin
- Round Rock Independent School District
- St. David's Wheelchair Fitness Program
- McBeth Recreation Center
- Handicapped Equestrian Learning Program
- The Horseboy Foundation
- Easter Seals
- Texas Education Agency
- Austin Therapeutic Recreation
- Texas Special Olympics
- Austin MHMR Community Outreach
- University SHARE Honors Colloquium
- Austin Resource Guide for Adapted Physical Education
- Trinity University Adapted Physical Education
- Odyssey School (ADD/ADHD)
- Coordinating Committee for United Cerebral Palsy (UCP) of Texas; Camp Faculty for Camp John Marc (UCP)

MEMBERSHIPS/CERTIFICATIONS:

Texas Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance, Served as Chair of TAHPERD's Committee on Programs for Individuals with Disabilities

Texas Outdoor Education Association

Council for Exceptional Children

Texas Council for Exceptional Children

Autism Society of America

National Autism Association

American Association for Leisure and Recreation

HONORS & AWARDS:

United Cerebral Palsy of Texas Cooperative Partnership Tribute Award 1998

Outstanding Faculty/Staff Volunteer 2005 University of Texas at Austin

UT Tower Award for Faculty Volunteerism

PUBLICATIONS:

Contributor: Great Activities, New and creative games and activities for children in physical education. November/December 1991, "Parachute Soccer".

Reviewer: Fair, Helena (1992). Investigation of activities supporting sports medicine and other careers in Kinesiology. Sports Medicine. The University of Texas Press

