

FACULTY VITAE
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EDUCATION:

1. 2007 Doctoral Graduate in Curriculum and Instruction at University of South Dakota at Vermillion
2. 1987-1991 Sioux Falls University, Sioux Falls, South Dakota - MA Education
3. 1977-1981 Northwestern College, Orange City, Iowa 51041
BA Humanities - 33 hours (Literature, Speech, Music, and Art) / Elementary Education
38 hours / Special Education emphasis 18 hours

TEACHING EXPERIENCE AND RELATED ACTIVITIES:

1. Associate Professor (2001-2016) Northwestern College, 101 7th St. SW Orange City, IA 51041

Taught:

- Teaching Reading in the Content Area
- Teaching Reading and Language Arts
- Intro to Early Childhood Education
- Organization and Administration of Early Childhood Programs
- Working with Parents
- Communication and Collaborative Partnerships
- Children's Literature
- Instructional Technology
- Behavior Management and Classroom Instruction
- Teaching of Science and Social Studies

2. Online classes (2008-2016):

- Organization and Administration of Early Childhood Programs
- Intro to Early Childhood
- Reading in the Content Area
- Working with Parents
- Methods of Working with Young Children with Diverse Needs
- Characteristics of Young Children with Diverse needs

3. Sioux Center Christian School (1981-2001) 630 1st Avenue SE, Sioux Center, IA 51250

- Taught first and third grades
- Taught in a self-contained classroom, giving instruction in the following subjects: Reading, Phonics, Spelling, Language, Math, Bible, Science, Social Studies, Penmanship, Art.
- Had the responsibility as a cooperating teacher for fifteen elementary education teacher candidates.
- Served in various capacities on numerous committees, including Bible curriculum, report card , language arts curriculum , science curriculum, and computer/ technology.

4. Area Education Agency 1382 4th Ave. N.E., Sioux Center, Iowa, 51250 (1991-2002 and in 2007-2010) I led numerous classes through the Area Education Agencies 3,4,5,9 and 12 for Morningside , Drake, and Sioux Falls College credit . These classes, titled

- Intro to Early Childhood
- Organization and Administration of Early Childhood Programs
- Teaching Reading with Technology
- Implementing Whole Language
- Implementing Whole Language II
- Literature Overview
- Integrating the Language Arts and Fine Arts
- Teaching Language Arts with Picture Books
- Reading and Writing in the Content Areas

PUBLICATIONS

Sybesma, L. J. (2009, Fall). Teacher: Christlike servant. *Christian School Teacher*, 1-6. Retrieved from http://www.csionline.org/resources/publications/christian_school_teacher

Sybesma, L. J. "The Hope of Going Home." *Hope and Courage: Military Writers Society of America*. Pittsburg: Red Engine, 2015. 169-75.

GRANTS

Carver Grant Technology Spring, 2000 \$5,000 coauthored with Rebecca De Smith

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

- Assisted with development of online Masters Program (2012-2016)
- Developed online Unified Endorsement (2009-2012)
- Developed online Early Childhood Endorsement (2010-2012)
- Supervised Student Teachers (2001-2016)
- Institutional Report writer for NCATE (2008)
- Online Advisory Workgroup (2012-2016)
- Faculty Status Committee (2015)
- Ramaker /De Witt Library Children's Library education liaison (2001-2016)
- Organized Education Event for prospective students (2009)
- Academic Resource Committee (2009-2012)
- Supervisor of the Curriculum Library (2001-2015)
- Education Department Ramaker/DeWitt Library Coordinator (2001-2016)
- Educational Services Advisory Board, Area Education Agency 4, (1999-2016)
- Student Affairs Committee member (2002-2004)
- Board for Orange City Daycare (2001-2004)
- Vice-president and president for the Northwest Iowa Reading Council (1992-1995)
- English as a Second Language Literacy Program - responsible for teaching Hispanic adults how to read. This was a weekly 2 1/2 hour program for five adults, done as a volunteer. (1996-1998)
- Area preschools, elementary schools, churches, and elderly programs; utilizing ventriloquism and magic as a teaching instrument (1977-2002)
- Daily Vacation Bible School, George, Hull, Orange City, Hawarden, and Sioux Center, Iowa; responsible for opening activities, song leading, and teacher/teacher aide (Summers 1974-1996)
- Sunday School, Covenant Christian Reformed Church, Sioux Center, Iowa; responsible for Sunday School activities, bells, and song leading activities (1980-2005)
- Cribs and Crayons Advisory Board, Sioux Center, Iowa (1989-1992)
- Hope Haven, Rock Valley, Iowa; responsible for teaching severe/profound students (Summer, 1981)
- Missionary helper, Cameroon, Africa; duties included administrative help for Christian schools, and domestic help with orphans (Summer, 1977)

MEMBERSHIPS:

- IRA International Reading Association 2007-2016
- NAEYC National Association for the Education of Young Children 2001-2016
- NACADA National Academic Advising Association 2004-2008
- NWIRC Northwest Iowa Reading Council member 1981-2016 served as Vice President and President