

University of Louisiana at Lafayette

College of Education Faculty Curriculum Vitae Information

David J. Beard, M.Ed.

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Education	1988 University of Southwestern Louisiana, Lafayette, Louisiana State Certification in Computer Literacy 1987 University of Southwestern Louisiana, Lafayette, Louisiana Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge/Eunice Thirty Hours above the Master's Concentration in Administration 1978 University of Southwestern Louisiana, Lafayette, Louisiana Master's Degree in Education Concentration in Administration and Supervision 1974 University of Southwestern Louisiana, Lafayette, Louisiana Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education
Teaching Philosophy	I want to create an atmosphere in which my students feel comfortable. I am present and ready to interact face-to-face. I am also readily available by e-mail, and phone. I make a point of listening carefully to the concerns of my students and spending sufficient time with them. It is important to show continued interest in their academic progress. Giving helpful information is crucial to their success. Taking the time to do this indicates to them that they are important to me. I must be able to answer questions. Most students need close specific guidance. I feel it is vital to provide them with the information to make their own decisions. Having knowledge is a must. Being able to provide alternatives that are available, when a student is facing academic difficulties, is very important. I must also know where to find answers to questions that I don't have answers to. We must help students explore strategies, so they can make good decisions. Requiring them to think and do for themselves is much more beneficial to them than simply telling and giving them all they need to know. I believe it is important to explore the learning styles of my students and to maintain a wealth of teaching strategies to address different learning styles.

<p>Bio</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">David J. Beard Biographical Sketch</p> <p>David J. Beard received his Master’s Degree from the University of Southwestern Louisiana in 1978. He received his Bachelor of Arts Degree in Elementary Education from the University of Southwestern Louisiana in 1974. He was a classroom teacher for 28 years. Most of those years were in the elementary area. However, Mr. Beard has had the privilege of teaching every grade level, K-college.</p> <p>For the past twelve years, David has been teaching future teachers at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. He has taught undergraduate classes in Science methods, and Social Studies Methods courses as well as courses on Clinical Experience Teaching Strategies and Reflection and the Supervision of Student Teaching, serving as a university supervisor of teacher and academic interns for the past 12 years. He is currently the Director of Teacher Clinical Experiences for the College of Education at UL Lafayette.</p> <p>David has presented at State, National, and International Conferences on such topics as Professional Development Schools and Teaching Strategies. He has been a member of the LSUE Board of Advisors for the past 22 years. He works closely with school systems, superintendents and personnel directors in the seven parish service area of UL at Lafayette and beyond. He has worked with college of education committees, university committees and served in the Faculty Senate.</p> <p>In addition to his work, he has been husband to and in love with his wife of 48 years, has three daughters, ten grandchildren and one great grandchild. He loves to travel, fish, and garden, cook and eat along with his wife! He is also an avid hunter.</p>
<p>Courses Taught</p>	<p>EDCI 425 Science in the Elementary School EDCI 426 Social Studies in the Elementary School EDCI 428 Science and Social Studies for Alternate Certification Candidates EDCI 492 Effective Teaching Strategies for Clinical Experiences EDCI 495 Special Projects in Education EDCI 476 Student Teaching in Early Childhood PK-3 EDCI 477 Student Teaching in Elementary Grades 1-5/1-6 EDCI 478 Student Teaching in Middle School 4-8</p>

	EDCI 479 Student Teaching in Secondary School 6-12 EDCI 485 ALTERNATE CERTIFICATION, All areas EDCI 487 ALTERNATE CERTIFICATION, All areas EDCI 488 Student Teaching KNES K-12, Vocal Music K-12, Art K-12
Research Interests	Not Available
Teaching Experience	Retired from St. Landry Parish School System after 21 years teaching and administration; Spent seven years as a teacher/administrator at the Academy of the Sacred Heart at Grand Coteau; Spent three years as Curriculum Facilitator in Acadia Parish School System; Instructor and Director, UL at Lafayette 2004 to present
Publications	Not Available
Presentations	Middle School Specialized Professional Associations - Committee Chair and Principal Writer, 2009; Teacher Internship Panel Discussion, McNeese State University, 2009; PDS Presentations - Cankton ES, St. Landry Parish, Raintree ES, St. Mary Parish, and N.P. Moss MS, Lafayette Parish; Lafayette Administrators' Conference
Grants	Not Available
Conferences Attended	LAATE State Conference, 2009; PASS-PORT User Group Conference, UL Lafayette, 2010; Degree Audit Presentation – UL Lafayette, 2010; 2015 Professional Development National Conference – Atlanta; Lafayette Parish Administrators' Conference - 2016
Professional Memberships	Louisiana Association of Teacher Educators; Louisiana Retired Teachers' Association
Awards	Outstanding Advisor Award, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2014, 2015
Additional Skills	Advising – Advise an average of 30 students per semester
Dissertation	Not Applicable
Other Professional Experience	Pass-Port Training- University Supervisors/Alt Cert Candidates; Technology Training - University Supervisors; Cooperating Teacher Training; Teacher Internship Panel Discussion, Cooperating Universities; Advising Awards Committee; Chair, NCATE Middle School SPA Report; NCATE Standard 2 Chair
Service	LSUE Board of Advisors; Louisiana Association of Teacher Educators; Attend Region IV Personnel Director's Meetings; Attend Southwest Louisiana Superintendents' Meetings