

University of Louisiana at Lafayette

College of Education Faculty Curriculum Vitae Information

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<p>Education</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Doctor of Education, Educational Leadership, University of Louisiana at Lafayette • Master of Education, Education of the Gifted, University of Louisiana at Lafayette • Bachelor of Arts, Elementary Education, University of Louisiana at Lafayette • Certification- Computer Literacy • Certification –Academically Gifted • Certification – Elementary Grades • ULearn Certified Online Teacher • ULearn Certified Course Reviewer
<p>Teaching Philosophy</p>	<p>For as long as I can remember, I have always wanted to be a teacher. Teaching has been a part of who I am since I was a very young child. I have always loved school and learning, and I have wanted other children to have the same desire and love of learning. I believe all children can learn and that our job as a teacher is to help motivate our students to learn. Learners are diverse in so many ways. I believe as educators, we must do our best using differentiated strategies to best meet the needs of all learners. The Chinese proverb states, “Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day. Teach a man to fish and you feed him for a lifetime.” I believe this is our job as educators. We need to teach our children to not only learn, but to become lifelong learners.</p>
<p>Bio</p>	<p>Tarrah C. Davis joined the University of Louisiana at Lafayette first as a Graduate Assistant in 2009 and worked closely with the Associate Dean during the NCATE Accreditation. In 2011, Tarrah became an Instructor for Curriculum and Instruction and PASS-PORT Facilitator/Coordinator for the College of Education. Since 2012, she has worked as the Assessment Coordinator for the College of Education.</p> <p>Tarrah C. Davis holds a Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education (2000), a Master of Education degree in gifted education (2004), a plus 30</p>

	<p>degree in Education (2011), and a Doctor of Education degree in Educational Leadership (2013) from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. She is certified to teach elementary grades (1-8), computer literacy, and the academically gifted. Tarrah is currently employed at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, and is currently serving as the Assessment Coordinator as well as Educational Foundations and Leadership Assistant Professor for the College of Education. Tarrah is also married and is the mother of 3 children.</p> <p>Prior to working at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, Tarrah was an elementary teacher for nearly 10 years. She worked in both public and private schools. Tarrah was an elementary and middle school teacher and has had the opportunity to work in several different teaching environments ranging from summer school remediation to gifted enrichment. This has given her the chance to teach in multicultural classrooms as well as multi-ability environments.</p>
Courses Taught	EDCI 100 - Orientation to Teacher Education EDFL 201 - Teaching, Learning, and Growth READ 409 - The Reading Act EDLD 511 – Community Engagement
Advising	Each semester I have advised over 3,000 Undergraduate and Graduate Candidates in the College of Education using the PASS-PORT system.
Graduate Committees	Member of Graduate Faculty
Research Interests	Differentiated Instruction Elementary Math Education Technology Integration
Employment History	<p>2013-Present Assistant Professor and College of Education Assessment Coordinator University of Louisiana at Lafayette</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assistant Professor in the Department of Educational Foundations and Leadership for the College of Education with responsibility for teaching undergraduate courses • Assessment Coordinator for the College of Education • Responsible for overseeing assessment efforts focused on the effectiveness and ongoing improvement of both initial and advanced programs of the unit, including oversight of candidate and unit performance, and data analyses • Administration, coordination, support, and continued development of PASS-PORT, the College’s web-based assessment system <p>2012-2013 Instructor and College of Education Interim Assessment Coordinator University of Louisiana at Lafayette</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instructor in the Curriculum and Instruction Department of the College of Education with responsibility for teaching undergraduate courses

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2011-2012 Instructor and College of Education PASS-PORT Facilitator University of Louisiana at Lafayette

- Instructor in the Curriculum and Instruction Department of the College of Education with responsibility for teaching undergraduate courses
- Prepare students to be successful in the College of Education as well as the University
- Teach students how to use PASS-PORT
- Teach students technology skills they can integrate into the classroom
- PASS-PORT Facilitator for the College of Education

2009-2011 College of Education Graduate Assistant University of Louisiana at Lafayette

- College of Education Graduate Assistant to the NCATE/CAEP Coordinator
- College of Education Graduate Assistant to the Assessment Coordinator
- College of Education Graduate Assistant to the PASS-PORT (web-based assessment system) Administrator
- Assist undergraduate and graduate education candidates with PASS-PORT
- Trained College of Education computer lab Graduate Assistants on PASS-PORT

	<p>2004-2010 <i>Teacher for the Academic Enrichment Summer Program (AEP) University of Louisiana at Lafayette</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Design, develop, and teach courses for Gifted Students in the program <p>2007-2009 <i>Educator Vermilion Parish Schools</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dozier Elementary School (3rd grade teacher) • Vermilion Parish Schools (Teacher for the Academically Gifted – grades 1-8) • Erath Middle School (5th grade Language Arts Teacher) <p>2004-2007 <i>Educator Episcopal School of Acadiana – Lower School</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Founding Faculty of a Schoolwide Enrichment Model School • 1st Grade Teacher <p>2000-2004 <i>Educator Lafayette Parish Schools, Duson Elementary</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st Grade Teacher (2 years) • Title 1 Reading Teacher / Tutor (2 years) • Teacher Assistance Team (TAT) Chairman for the School Building Level Committee (SBLC) • Dyslexia Screening Specialist • Project Lift Team <p>2000-2001 <i>Educator Vermilion Parish Schools, Summer School</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7th and 8th Grade Math Teacher • 4th Grade and 8th Grade Leap Teacher (Math & Language Arts)
Publications	<p>Davis, T. (2013). <i>Differentiation of Instruction in Regular Education Elementary Classes: An Investigation of Faculty and Educational Leaders' Perceptions of Differentiated Instruction in Meeting the Needs of Diverse Learner</i>. (Doctoral dissertation). Retrieved from ProQuest Dissertations and Theses. (Accession Order No.10070)</p> <p>Submitted in 2015 waiting on acceptance decision: Autin, N. and Davis, T. (2015). <i>Interconnections: Differentiating through Formative Assessment</i>. National Social Science Association, New Orleans, LA.</p>
Presentations	<p>Autin, N. P. and Davis, T. C. (2015, October). <i>Interconnections: Differentiating through Formative Assessment</i>. National presentation presented at the National Social Science Association Conference, New Orleans, LA.</p> <p>Autin, N. P. and Davis, T. C. (2015, November). <i>Differentiated Instruction Elements for Successful Implementation</i>. Regional presentation presented at the Mid-South Educational Research Association Conference, Lafayette, LA.</p> <p>Autin, N. P. and Davis, T. C. (2016, February). <i>Implementing Differentiated Instruction: What's Different About It?</i> National presentation presented at the Research Association of Minority Professors Conference, Houston, TX.</p>

- Barber, A. H. and Davis, T. C. (2013, October). *Number Differentiation: Differentiating number and operations activities in K-2*. Presentation presented at the Acadiana Council of Teachers of Mathematics Mini-Conference, Lafayette, LA.
- Barber, A. H. and Davis, T. C. (2014, December). *Virtual Manipulatives to Support Problem Solving*. State presentation presented at the Louisiana Association of Computer Using Educators Annual State Conference, New Orleans, LA.
- Barber, A. H. and Davis, T. C. (2015, June). *Differentiating Math: Differentiating Number and Operations In K-2 Classrooms*. State presentation presented at Louisiana Lagniappe, Lafayette, LA.
- Brooks, S. G. and Davis, T. C. (2014, October). *Incorporating Technologies to Insure Equal Access to All Learners*. State presentation presented at the Louisiana Association of Educators Annual Instructional and Professional Development Conference, Sulphur, LA.
- Brooks, S. G. and Davis, T. C. (2014, December). *Math Resources Round-Up for PreK-8th Grades*. State presentation presented at the Louisiana Association of Computer Using Educators Annual State Conference, New Orleans, LA.
- Brooks, S. G. and Davis, T. C. (2015, November). *Math, Science, and the World Wide Web*. State presentation presented at the joint Louisiana Science Teachers Association/Louisiana Association of Teachers of Mathematics Conference, Baton Rouge, LA.
- Brooks, S. G. and Davis, T. C. (2015, December). *The Code for Differentiation: How to Use QR Codes to Differentiate Instruction*. State presentation presented at the Louisiana Association of Computer Using Educators Annual State Conference, New Orleans, LA.
- Davis, T. C. (2011, March). *Differentiation of Instruction in Regular Education Classes: An Investigation of Educational Leaders' Support*. State presentation presented at the Louisiana Education Research Association Conference, Lafayette, LA.
- Davis, T. C. (2013, August). *PASS-PORT – Updates on Accreditation and Reporting System and Discussion on Frequently Asked Questions*. Presentation for College of Education Faculty and Administration, Lafayette, LA.
- Davis, T. C. (2013, September). *Differentiated Instruction: A Dissertation Study*. Presentation for Master's Course, Lafayette, LA.
- Davis, T. C. (2013, September). *PASS-PORT Refresher*. Presentation for College of Education Teaching Academy, Lafayette, LA.
- Davis, T. C. (2013, September). *Updated Overview of MAT PASS-PORT Portals*. Presentation for College of Education Masters of Teaching in Special Education, Lafayette, LA.

	<p>Davis, T. C. (2013, December). <i>Updates on NOVA and LEGACY: PASS-PORT</i>. Presentation for College of Education Faculty and Administration, Lafayette, LA.</p> <p>Davis, T. C. (2014, August). <i>Updates and frequently asked questions: PASS-PORT</i>. Presentation for College of Education Faculty and Administration, Lafayette, LA.</p> <p>Davis, T. C. (2014, September). <i>Using PASS-PORT for accreditation and curriculum tracking</i>. National webinar presented to universities and colleges across the country, Lafayette, LA.</p> <p>Davis, T. C. (2015, March). <i>Differentiated Instruction: Content, Process, Product, and Environment</i>. Poster presentation presented at the Louisiana Education Research Association Conference, Lafayette, LA.</p> <p>Davis, T. C. and Autin, N. P. (2015, October). <i>Understanding Differentiation in Teaching and Learning</i>. National presentation presented at the National Social Science Association Conference, New Orleans, LA.</p> <p>Davis, T. C. and Autin, N. P. (2015, November). <i>Reshaping the Classroom: The Promise of Differentiation</i>. Regional presentation presented at the Mid-South Educational Research Association Conference, Lafayette, LA.</p> <p>Davis, T. C., Autin, N. P. & Montgomery, P. S. (2016, February). <i>Disposition of Effective Teachers: What are Teacher Candidates Telling Us?</i> National presentation presented at the Research Association of Minority Professors Conference, Houston, TX.</p> <p>Davis, T. C., Autin, N. P. & Montgomery, P. S. (2016, March). <i>Teacher Candidates' Perceptions: Dispositions of Effective Teachers</i>. Poster presentation presented at the Louisiana Education Research Association Conference, Lafayette, LA.</p> <p>Davis, T. C., Autin, N.P. & Trahan, M. (2015, February). <i>Conceptual Model of Differentiated Instruction: Critical Components Underlying DI Classroom Practices</i>. National presentation presented at the Research Association of Minority Professors Conference, Washington, D.C.</p> <p>Davis, T. C. and Brooks, S. G. (2016, January). <i>Technologies that Facilitate Differentiation in the Classroom</i>. State presentation presented at the Louisiana Council for Exceptional Children Super Conference, Lafayette, LA.</p> <p>Davis, T. C. and Trahan, M. (2015, January). <i>Differentiating Instruction for Diverse Learners in Inclusive Classrooms</i>. State presentation presented at the Louisiana Council for Exceptional Children Super Conference, Lafayette, LA.</p> <p>Davis, T. C., Trahan, M., & Autin, N.P. (2015, February). <i>Quantitative Results on Differentiation Constructs: Knowledge, Skills,</i></p>
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	<p><i>Dispositions, and Support.</i> National presentation presented at the Research Association of Minority Professors Conference, Washington, D.C.</p> <p>Montgomery, P. S., Davis, T. C., & Autin, N. P. (2016, February). <i>GET THE TITLE.</i> National presentation presented at the Research Association of Minority Professors Conference, Houston, TX.</p>
Conferences Attended	<p>RAMP (Research Association of Minority Professors) – 2016</p> <p>LACEC (Louisiana Council for Exceptional Children) - 2016</p> <p>LERA (Louisiana Education Research Association) – 2016</p> <p>MSERA (Mid-South Educational Research Association) - 2016</p> <p>LACUE (Louisiana Association of Computer Using Educators) - 2015</p> <p>NSSA (National Social Science Association) – 2015</p> <p>LSTA/LATM (Louisiana Science Teachers Association/Louisiana Association of Teachers of Mathematics) - 2015</p> <p>Louisiana Lagniappe - 2015</p> <p>RAMP (Research Association of Minority Professors) – 2015</p> <p>LACEC (Louisiana Council for Exceptional Children) - 2015</p> <p>LERA (Louisiana Education Research Association) – 2015</p> <p>LACUE (Louisiana Association of Computer Using Educators) - 2014</p> <p>LAE (Louisiana Association of Educators) - 2014</p> <p>ACTM (Acadiana Council of Teachers of Mathematics) –2013</p> <p>LERA (Louisiana Education Research Association) – 2011</p> <p>University of Louisiana at Lafayette Teaching Academies – 2009-2014</p> <p>The Women’s Empowerment Conference - 2014</p> <p>Ethics Training for Public Servants - 2013</p> <p>Sexual Harassment Training - 2013</p>
Professional Memberships	<p>Member of Research Association of Minority Professors</p> <p>Member of Louisiana Council for Exceptional Children</p> <p>Member of Louisiana Education Research Association</p> <p>Member of Educational Foundations and Leadership 201 Department Committee</p> <p>College of Education Administrative Council Member</p> <p>College of Education NCATE/SPA Review Committee Member</p> <p>CAEP (Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation) Evidence Committee Member</p> <p>CAEP (Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation) Standard 3 Chair</p> <p>Member of College’s Specialized Professional Association (SPA) Review Committee</p>
Awards/Honors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graduate Faculty Member Level 2 • CAEP (Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation) Site Visitor Team Member
Additional Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Serves as the Assessment Coordinator for the College of Education

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Dissertation	<p><i>Differentiation of Instruction in Regular Education Elementary Classes: An Investigation of Faculty and Educational Leaders’ Perceptions of Differentiated Instruction in Meeting the Needs of Diverse Learner.</i></p> <p>This study examined differentiation of instruction among diverse elementary students to determine the consistency of practice.</p> <p>Mitzi P. Trahan, Chair Assistant Professor of Educational Foundations and Leadership</p>
Other Professional Experience/Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CAEP Site Visitor • Distance Learner Department Reviewer • Distance Learner University Reviewer • ULearn Certified Online Teacher • Workshop – New to Online: The Essentials • Workshop – Assessment Techniques in Online Learning • Workshop – New to Online: Converting Your Course • TRIBES Trained • COMPASS Trained • University of Louisiana’s Quality Enhancement Program (The Cajun Connection) Trained • Doctoral Internship <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Participate in Regional Response to Intervention District 4 Meeting ▪ Participant for Parish Data Meetings ▪ Participant at Principal’s Meeting ▪ Active Participant in Schools’ Study Group Meetings with Teachers and Administrators ▪ Early Childhood Coordinators Meeting Participant ▪ District Meeting for Reading Coaches, Curriculum Interventionist and Math Facilitators
Professional/University Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • College of Education Administrative Council Member • Advise faculty and courses with PASS-PORT assistance • CAEP (Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation) Evidence Committee Member • College of Education NCATE/CAEP SPA Review Committee Member • CAEP(Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation) Standard 3 Chair • EDFL 201 Committee Member

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Clinical Experience Handbook Committee• Field Experience Handbook Committee
Community/Public Service	Chapter Advisory Board – Kappa Delta Sorority Member and Lector of St. Joseph’s Catholic Church Public Relations Officer for the Family Strong Foundation Vice-President of Erath Middle School Parent Teacher Organization