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Associate Dean, Social Sciences  
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Educational background

Ph.D. in Anthropology, University of California, Berkeley  
M.A. in Anthropology, University of California, Berkeley  
B.V in Sociology/Anthropology, Hiram College, OH

National educational memberships including past or present positions

National Association for Community College Teacher Education Programs

Past NACCTEP Board positions or committees

Member at Large (current)

What is your vision for community college teacher education programs?

Having recently worked with early childhood faculty through both a state department of education licensure/accreditation process and an National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) accreditation process the vision for community college education programs seems clear – to provide high quality, integrated educational programs for students interested in careers as teachers that lead to appropriate certifications for early childhood educators and provide a seamless transition to four year university programs in education.

What advice would you give to a future teacher?

When I talk to future teachers, I always talk about my mother who was a master teacher and mentor. I talk of her legacy as a junior high school and then community college English teacher. The countless students who to this day will stop me and ask if I am her daughter and then tell me how she taught them and helped them build lives and careers of great promise. For her teaching was not just a job, but a mission to help others discover and nurture their gifts and talents.

Interests or hobbies

I am active in community service and I helped to establish and continue to work with a leadership and personal development program for 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> graders and serve as Board Chairman of a non-profit organization that owns/operates a 55 unit apartment building providing housing for low income seniors. Other interests include serving as church lay reader and lay preacher, genealogical research, reading, watching movies, traveling, and walking with my dogs.