

**DEBRA G. PORTER**

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**EDUCATION**

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| Saint Louis University, St. Louis, MO<br><b>Ed. D.</b>                        | <b>2010</b> |
| Lindenwood University, St. Charles, MO<br><b>M.A.</b>                         | <b>1991</b> |
| Lindenwood University, St. Charles, MO<br><b>B.S.</b><br>Summa Cum Laude, 4.0 | <b>1988</b> |

**AWARDS**

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| Fort Zumwalt School District Teacher of the Year Nominee                                  | 1994, 2005, 2008 |
| Mid Rivers Area Council of the International Reading Association Celebrate Literacy Award | 2005             |
| Lindenwood University Cum Laude Graduate  | 1988             |
| Lindenwood University Alpha Lambda Delta National Honor Society                           | 1988             |

**CERTIFICATIONS**

Reading Specialist, K-12, Missouri Career Certificate  
Elementary Education, 1-8 Missouri Life-time Certificate

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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|---|---------------------|
| Southeast Missouri State University, Cape Girardeau, MO<br><b>Associate Professor</b> | <b>2012-present</b> |
| Lindenwood University, St. Charles, MO<br><b>Adjunct Professor</b>                    | <b>2010-2012</b>    |
| University of Missouri St. Louis, St. Louis, MO<br><b>Adjunct Instructor</b>          | <b>2003-2009</b>    |
| Lindenwood University, St. Charles, MO<br><b>Adjunct Instructor</b>                   | <b>2005-2009</b>    |
| Webster University, Webster, MO<br><b>Adjunct Instructor</b>                          | <b>2003-2005</b>    |
| Fort Zumwalt School District, O'Fallon, MO<br><b>Title 1 Reading Teacher</b>          | <b>2001-2012</b>    |
| <b>Eighth Grade Reading Teacher</b>   | <b>2000-2001</b>    |
| <b>First Grade Classroom Teacher</b>  | <b>1992-2000</b>    |
| <b>Second Grade Classroom Teacher</b>   | <b>1988-1992</b>    |

**COURSES TAUGHT**

Reading in the Secondary Content Areas (graduate)  
Meeting the Needs of the Struggling Reader (undergraduate)  
Early and Emergent Literacy Instruction (undergraduate)  
Intermediate and Middle School Literacy Instruction (undergraduate)  
Classroom Management and Theories of Learning (undergraduate)  
Content Area Reading (undergraduate)  
Effective Literacy Instruction at the Middle and Secondary Level (undergraduate)  
Elementary Reading Methods (graduate)  
Teaching Reading in the Secondary Content Area (graduate)  
Reading and Writing Across the Curriculum (graduate)  
Elementary Reading Methods (undergraduate)

Teaching Reading in the Secondary Content Area (undergraduate)  
 Reading and Writing Across the Curriculum (undergraduate)  
 Diagnostics and Correction of Reading Disabilities (graduate)  
 Differentiated Instruction at the Secondary Content Area (graduate)  
 Diagnosis and Correction of Reading Disabilities (undergraduate)

#### RELATED EXPERIENCE

Southeast Missouri State University, Cape Girardeau, MO  
**Supervisor of Read to Succeed After School Reading Clinic**

2015 – present

#### PUBLICATIONS AND PAPERS

Porter, D., Rush, D., Wood, J. & Bohannon, L. (2016) First do no harm: A title I Natural Quasi - Experiment, *Journal of Education and Human Development*, 5(2), pp. 62-73 Peer-reviewed  
 Porter, D., Rush, D., Wood, J. & Bohannon, L. (2016) Pull out programs: Asset or impediment? Teaching to Lead: *Missouri Professors of Educational Administration*, 7(1)  
 Bohannon, R. L., Porter, D. (2016), Effectiveness of Computer Technology Strategies to Improve Comprehension, *The Oklahoma Reader*, 52 (1), 6-13 Peer-reviewed

#### PRESENTATIONS

Porter, D. & Bohannon, L. (2015, July) Teach a Child to Read and Build a Community, Presented at the International Literacy Association Conference (I.L.A.) Annual Conference, St. Louis, MO  
 Zou, M. & Porter, D. (2015, March) The Road to Quality: QM an Online Course, Presented at the Society for Information Technology and Teacher Education Annual Conference, Las Vegas, NV  
 Hepler, B. & Porter, D. (2014, August) Co-Teaching, Presented at Southeast Missouri State University Co-Operating Teacher Training, Cape Girardeau, MO  
 Porter, D. (2014, April) Poster Session: First Do No Harm, Presented at Association for Childhood Education International (A.C.E.I.) International Conference, Vancouver, British Columbia  
 Porter, D. & Gordinier, C. (2013, August) Differentiating in the Primary Grades, Presented at Jackson Missouri Public School District Back to School Professional Development Day, Jackson, MO  
 Porter, D. (2011, March) Background Knowledge and Reading Comprehension, Presented at OASIS Training, Fort Zumwalt School District, O'Fallon, MO  
 Porter, D. (2006, November) Every Child Reads: Differentiating Your Reading Instruction to Meet the Needs of all Students, Presented at Fort Zumwalt School District's Fall Professional Development Day, O'Fallon, MO  
 Porter, D. (2006, February) Understanding Differentiated Instruction, Presented at Fort Zumwalt School District's Winter Professional Development Day, O'Fallon, MO  
 Porter, D. (2003, November) Families Learning and Reading Enrichment, Presented at Missouri State Council of the International Reading Association State Conference, Ozark, MO

#### MEMBERSHIPS

Kappa Delta Pi Educational Honor Society  
 Association of Literacy Educators and Researchers  
 Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development  
 International Literacy Association  
 Association for Childhood Education International  
 Missouri State Council of the International Literacy Association

#### COMPETITIVE GRANTS

Porter, D., (2016). Read to Succeed After School Reading Clinic, Southeast Missouri State University Grants and Research Fund, Funding to support the development of the after school tutoring program, \$5,800.00  
 Porter, D., (2015). Read to Succeed After School Reading Clinic, GRACES Women's Organization of the United Way, Funding for Support Grant, \$1,000.00  
 Porter, D., (2014). Kent Library Endowment Fund, Southeast Missouri State University, Funding to provide instructional videos for teacher education, \$2,600.00  
 Porter, D., (2013) Kent Library Endowment Fund, Southeast Missouri State University, Funding to provide children's literature for Content Area literacy, \$3,500.00

#### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Working with struggling readers  
 Preparing teacher candidates using authentic experiences  
 Technology in higher education

Family literacy

**ACADEMIC SERVICE**

Elementary, Early and Special Education Department:

- Elementary Program, Member
- Graduate Program, Member
- Search Committee, Member: Faculty Position
- Search Committee, Chair: Faculty Position
- Kent Library Department Liaison
- Merit Committee
- MOPTA Scoring Committee, Member
- Scholarship Committee, Member

College of Education:

- Scholarship Committee

University:

- Commencement Committee, Member
- Instructional Technology Committee, Member
- Grants and Research Funding Committee, Member
- Academic Affairs Committee, Member

**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

- Alma Schrader Elementary ABC Today
- Task Force Committee Member