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## **EDUCATION**

### **UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA**

Ph.D., Educational Leadership: Curriculum, Instruction, and Supervision (Focus: Teacher education and professional development)

Dissertation: "A two-year study of curriculum change: Teacher agency, individuality, and experimentation" Advisor, Marilyn Cochran-Smith

Graduate School of Education Merit Fellow

William E. Arnold Alumni Award for Leadership

### **UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE**

MS, Life Span Development

BS, Early Childhood and Elementary Education, with Honors

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

### *Higher Education*

#### **2003 to present UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE, College of Education and Human Development Department of Human Development and Family Studies, Newark, DE**

*Associate Professor*, 2003 - present

Preschool and primary curriculum; curriculum theory and analysis, child development, adult development and learning, professional issues and advocacy

*Director of Laboratory Preschool* 2012 - present

#### **1988 to 2003 RIDER UNIVERSITY, College of Liberal Arts, Education, and Sciences, Lawrenceville, NJ**

*Professor* 2002 to 2003

*Associate Professor* 1994 - 2002

*Assistant Professor* 1988 - 1994

Foundations of early childhood and elementary education; early childhood and elementary math and science curriculum; documentation and assessment in early childhood education; supervision theory and practice; teacher research methods and practicum; mentoring theory and practice; early childhood and elementary fieldwork seminar; fieldwork supervision

*Coordinator of Early Childhood Programs* 2000 to 2003

Development of undergraduate and graduate initial certification programs and graduate-level endorsement program in Early Childhood Education; recruitment and advisement of students; hiring and coordination of ECE faculty; coordination of state approval and NCATE accreditation processes

*Coordinator of Student Teaching* 1994 -1996

Placement and programming for 200 student teachers per year; selection, support and programming for cooperating teachers and fieldwork supervisors

*Co-director, Hopewell Valley Schools-Rider College PACT Program Masters of Arts in Curriculum, Instruction and Supervision.* 1988 to 1990

#### **1996 - 1997 UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, Graduate School of Education, Philadelphia, PA**

*Visiting Associate Professor of Education*, Teacher Education Programs

Elementary math curriculum courses, internship seminars, teacher research meetings

*Acting Director, Masters Degree program in Elementary Education*

Admissions, advisement, program oversight; hiring and support of fieldwork supervision staff

#### **1991-1992 UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, Graduate School of Education, Philadelphia, PA**

*Visiting Assistant Professor of Education, Educational Leadership and Teacher Education Programs*  
Curriculum theory and 20<sup>th</sup> century school reform courses; elementary math curriculum courses

- 1987-1988**      **RUTGERS UNIVERSITY – CAMDEN**, Camden, NJ  
*Instructor, Elementary Education*  
Elementary curriculum courses; student teaching seminar
- 1984-1988**      **UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, Graduate School of Education**, Philadelphia, PA  
*Assistant Instructor, Teacher Education Programs*  
Elementary math curriculum courses; fieldwork seminars; fieldwork supervision  
*Research Associate, IBM/UPS funded Literacy Research Center study, "Microcomputers and Writing Development," 1985-1987*  
*Associate Director, UPS funded Literacy Research Center dissemination project, "Teacher to Teacher," 1987-1988*
- 1978-1984**      **UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE, College of Human Resources**, Newark, DE  
*Instructor, Early Childhood Education*  
Preschool curriculum and practicum; computers in early childhood; fieldwork supervision
- Early Childhood and Elementary Education*
- 1981-1984**      **UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE LABORATORY PRESCHOOL** Newark, DE  
*Master Teacher, Kindergarten*  
Programming for children and families; supervision of practicum students and student teachers  
*Co-developer, Co-coordinator, Master Teacher, Computer Active Preschool Project (CAPP), summer 1983, 1984*  
Curriculum development, supervision of interns, research, administration
- 1979-1981**      **MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. COOPERATIVE SCHOOL** Newark, DE  
*Director/Head Teacher*  
Curriculum development, Teacher of 3- and 4-year-old programs
- 1976-1978**      **WILMINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS PARENT EARLY EDUCATION CENTER**  
Wilmington, DE  
*Parent Group Leader, Speaker*  
Developing and implementing programs for urban families of preschool children
- 1975**            **NEWARK PUBLIC SCHOOLS and UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE PRESCHOOL READINESS OUTREACH PROGRAM**, Newark, DE  
*Home Visitor*  
Developing and implementing programs for families of children identified at-risk for literacy learning difficulties
- 1971-1975**      **NEWARK PUBLIC SCHOOLS, John R. Downes Elementary School** Newark, DE  
*Teacher, Kindergarten through Grade 2*  
*Cooperating Teacher, University of Delaware Early Childhood Program, 1972-1975*  
*Co-founder and Grade 1-2 teacher, Downes Alternative School-Within-a-School, 1974 -1975*

#### **PUBLICATIONS AND SELECTED PRESENTATIONS**

##### **BOOKS**

**Paris, C.** (1993). *Teacher agency and curriculum making in classrooms*. New York: Teachers College Press.

Cochran-Smith, M., Paris, C. & Kahn, J. (1991). *Learning to write differently: Beginning writers and word processing*. Norwood, NJ: Albex.

#### **ARTICLES PUBLISHED IN PEER REVIEWED JOURNALS**

Paris, C. & Seefeldt, A. (2012) Book Review: Curriculum in Early Childhood Education: Re-examined, Rediscovered, Renewed. *Journal of Early Childhood Teacher Education*, 33, 4, 392-396.

Castle, K. & Paris, C. (2010). Early childhood teacher educator teacher research. *Journal of Early Childhood Teacher Education*, 31, 3, 203-206.

Paris, C. & Lung, P. (2008). Agency and child-centered practice in novice teachers: Autonomy, efficacy, intentionality, and reflectivity. *Journal of Early Childhood Teacher Education*, 29, 253-268 .

Paris, C., Eyman, A., Morris, L., & Sutton, T. (2007). Facing the storm, turning the tide: Using practitioner research to meet children's and families' needs in an inclusive setting. *Journal of Research in Childhood Education*, 21, 406-419.

Paris, C. & Combs, B. (2006). Lived meanings: What teachers mean when they say they are learner-centered. *Teachers and Teaching: Theory and Practice*, 12, 571-592.

Paris, C. & Gespass, S. (2001). Examining the mismatch between learner-centered teaching and teacher-centered supervision. *Journal of Teacher Education*, 52, 398-412.

Starnes, B. & Paris, C. (2000). Choosing to learn. *Phi Delta Kappan*, 81, 392-397.

Paris, C., Burnett, A., Chodoroff, N., Fetter, J., Foster, K., Schreiber, R., Sela, B., & Zaccaria, S. (2000). Building connections, building character: Foxfire and character education in New Jersey. *Focus on Education*, 44, 22-28.

Cochran-Smith, M., Kahn, J. & Paris, C. (1990). Writing with a felicitous tool. *Theory into Practice*, 29, 235-245.

Paris, C. (1987). The ideological contexts of teachers' introduction to word processing. (1987) *Education and Computing* 3, 163-168.

Ferrari, M., Klinzing, D., Morris, S., Paris, C., Eyman, A. (1985). Home computers: Implications for children and families. *Marriage and Family Review*, 8, 41-57.

#### **ARTICLES SELECTED FOR INCLUSION IN EDITED COLLECTIONS**

Paris, C. & Combs, B. (2006/2006). Lived Meanings: What teachers mean when they say they are learner-centered. *Curriculum Leadership: An online journal for leaders in education*, 4, 39, November 24, 2006.

Starnes, B. & Paris, C. Choosing to learn. (2008/2007/2002/2001/2000) *Annual Editions: Human Development '02-'03 & '03-'04, '08-'09 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup>, 36<sup>th</sup>* eds. Guilford, CT: McGraw-Hill.

Paris, C. & Gespass, S. (2004-2007/2001). Examining the mismatch between learner-centered teaching and teacher-centered supervision. *Questia web site's 15 Best Books and Articles on: Teacher Supervision*.

Paris, C. & Gespass, S. (2001/2001). Examining the mismatch between learner-centered teaching and teacher-centered supervision. *Maison des Sciences de l'Homme Sommaires de periodiques, Annee 2001*. Volume No. 52.

## INVITED ARTICLES

Castle, K. & **Paris, C.** (2010). Early Childhood Teacher Educator Teacher Research. *Journal of Early Childhood Teacher Education*, 31, 3, 203-206.

**Paris, C.** (1998). The dilemmas of planning in a learner-centered classroom. *The Active Learner: A Foxfire Journal for Teachers*, 3 (1), 34-38 and ERIC Document Reproduction Service, 1998, EJ582516.

## INVITED CHAPTERS IN EDITED BOOKS

**Paris, C.** (2012). Foreword, *Skilled Dialogue: Strategies for responding to cultural diversity in early childhood*, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, Barrera, I., Kramer, L. & Macpherson, D.T. Baltimore: Brookes Publishing.

**Paris, C.** (2008). Evaluating the quality of programs for young children. In A. Galper, S. Feeney, & C. Seefeldt, (Eds), *Continuing issues in early childhood education*, 3<sup>rd</sup> ed. Upper Saddle River, NJ: Merrill/Prentice Hall.

**Paris, C.**, Edwards, N., Sheffield, E., Mutinsky, M., Olexa, T., Reilly, S., & Baer, J. (2006). How early school experiences impact creativity: An ecological approach. In J.C. Kauffman & J. Baer (Eds.), *Creativity and reason in cognitive development* (pp. 333-350). New York: Cambridge University Press.

Cochran-Smith, M. & **Paris, C.** (1995). Mentor and mentoring: Did Homer have it right? In J. Smyth (Ed.), *Critical discourses on teacher development*. London: Cassells Press.

Cochran-Smith, M., Kahn, J. & **Paris, C.** (1988). When word processors come into the classroom. In S. Silvern, & J. Hoot. (Eds.), *Writing with computers in the early grades*. New York: Teachers College Press.

## TECHNICAL REPORTS

Amsden, D., Buell, M., **Paris, C.**, Bagdi, A., Cuevas, T., Edwards, N., Tressell, P., Gamel-McCormick, M., Hartranft, D., Walker, E., Qui, W., Kamphaus, J., & Turner, J. (2005). *Delaware Pilot Full-day Kindergarten Evaluation: A comparison of ten full-day and eight part-day kindergarten programs School year 2004-2005*. Newark, DE: University of Delaware, Center for Disabilities Studies.

**Paris, C.**, Amsden, D., Walker, E., Trichetta, L., Gamel-McCormick, M., & Rosas, S. (2005). *Opportunities for early identification of children who received special education after kindergarten entrance*. Newark, DE: University of Delaware, Center for Disabilities Studies.

## EDITED ISSUE OF JOURNAL

Castle, K. & **Paris, C.** Eds. (2010). Theme issue: Early Childhood Teacher Educator Teacher Research. *Journal of Early Childhood Teacher Education*, 31, 3

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COURSES AND MATERIALS

**Paris, C.** (2008). *Coaching, Mentoring, Training, Technical Assistance in Early Childhood Program*. Newark, DE: Delaware Department Of Education Delaware First Professional Development.

Lesko, J., Hyson, M., & **Paris, C.** (2007). *Essentials for success in full-day kindergarten: Evidence-based practices to support integrated learning*. Dover, DE: Delaware Department of Education Professional Standards Board.

Lesko, J., Hyson, M., & **Paris, C.** (2006). *First steps toward success in full-day kindergarten*. Dover, DE: Delaware Department of Education Professional Standards Board.

Lesko, J., Hyson, M., & Paris, C. (2006). *Creating teacher leadership for full-day kindergarten*. Dover, DE: Delaware Department of Education Professional Standards Board.

Paris, C. (Ed.). (2005). *The Foxfire Course for Teachers*. Mountain City, GA: The Foxfire Fund, Inc.

Starnes, B., Carone, A., with Paris, C. (2000). *From thinking to doing: Constructing a framework to teach mandates through experience-based learning*. Mountain City, GA: The Foxfire Fund, Inc.

Paris, C. (Ed.). (1997, 1999). *Foxfire Level One Course Book*. Mountain City, GA: The Foxfire Fund, Inc.

#### PEER REVIEWED PRESENTATIONS

Paris, C. (2013, November 20) *Reflective practice of Master Teacher/Teacher Educators and their undergraduate teaching teams: Bridging coursework and field experience*. National Association of Early Childhood Teacher Educators Conference, Washington, DC,

Paris, C., Morris, L., Torbert, D., Hanzeley, K. with Gaviria-Loaiza, J. (2013, November 22). *Daily teaching team discussions: Shared reflection FOR action and ON action as ongoing professional development*. National Association for the Education of Young Children Conference, Washington, DC.

Gespass, S., Paris, C., Casey, H. & McKool, S. (2012, February 19). *Discursive pathways: Understanding how language influences the agency and identity of student teachers and their children*. American Association of Colleges for Teacher Educators Annual Meeting. Chicago, Illinois

Paris, C., Keating, E. & Rowe, J., Perkins, K. (2012, June 12). *Professional development providers as transformative leaders in Delaware*. National Association for the Education of Young Children Professional Development Institute, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Radnai-Griffin, D. Paris, C., Lung, P. & Beck, H. (2012, November 7) *The Benefits of Continuity in Professional Development of Infant and Toddler Teachers: Impact on Classroom Environment and Teacher-Child Interactions*. National Association of Early Childhood Teacher Educators Conference, Atlanta, GA.

Radnai-Griffin, D. Paris, C., Beck, H. & Cornish, M. (2012, December 2) *The Benefits of Continuity in Professional Development of Infant and Toddler Teacher*. Zero to Three Conference, Los Angeles, CA.

Hyson, M., Kreader, L., Lawrence, S., Baptiste, N., Goble, C., & Paris, C. (2008, November). *Using the "Research Connections" teaching modules: Faculty perspectives, new resources, and feedback opportunities*. Presented at the National Association for the Education of Young Children Annual Conference, Dallas, TX.

Paris, C. (2008, June). *Novice teachers holding fast to their convictions in contexts of standardization: Learning and support in a website-supported study group*. National Association for the Education of Young Children's 17<sup>th</sup> Annual National Institute for Early Childhood Professional Development, New Orleans, LA.

Barthold, C. & Paris, C. (2008, April) *Creating Web-based communities of practice to increase cross-content synthesis*. Poster presented at the 2008 Lilly-East Conference on College and University Teaching, Newark, DE

Paris, C. (2008, March). *Acting with agency in contexts of standardization: Critical incidents in the lives of novice teachers*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association, New York, NY.

- Paris, C.** (2007, November). *How do they do it? What can they teach us? Novice teachers who maintain developmentally appropriate practices in standardized settings.* Paper presented at the National Association of Early Childhood Teacher Educators Conference, Chicago, IL.
- Paris, C. & Lung, P.** (2007, June). *Agency and child-centered practice in novice teachers: Autonomy, efficacy, intentionality, and reflectivity.* Paper presented at National Association for the Education of Young Children's 16<sup>th</sup> Annual National Institute for Early Childhood Professional Development, Pittsburgh, PA.
- Paris, C.** (2007, April). *Curriculum agency and child-centered practice in novice teachers.* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association, Chicago, IL.
- Paris, C.** (2007, February). *Curriculum agency and child-centered curriculum-making in early childhood.* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education, New York, NY.
- Paris, C. & Worden, L.** (2007, February). *Service-oriented field experiences in early childhood teacher education.* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Association for Colleges of Teacher Education, New York, NY.
- Paris, C.** (2006, November). *Curriculum agency and child-centered curriculum making in novice teachers.* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the National Association of Early Childhood Teacher Educators Conference, Atlanta, GA.
- Paris, C., Eyman, A., Morris, L. & Sutton, T.** (2005, October). *Using practitioner research to strengthen inclusive practices and policies.* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Division for Early Childhood of the Council for Exceptional Children, Portland, OR.
- Paris, C., Morris, L., & Hayes, K.** (2005, June). *Supporting teachers across the professional life-span as they pursue child-initiated curriculum approaches.* Paper presented at the National Association for the Education of Young Children's 15<sup>th</sup> Annual National Institute for Early Childhood Professional Development, Miami, FL.
- Paris, C. & Morris, L.** (2005, June). *Hearing curriculum: Learning to listen to children in order to build a responsive, child-centered curriculum.* Paper presented at the National Association for the Education of Young Children's 15<sup>th</sup> Annual National Institute for Early Childhood Professional Development, Miami, FL.
- Paris, C. & Gamel-McCormick, M.** (2004, December). *Risk factors and children not referred for Special Education until after kindergarten entry or 'The Child Find Study'.* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Division for Early Childhood of the Council for Exceptional Children, Chicago, IL.
- Paris, C. & Gespass, S.** (2003, November). *Who's in charge here? When student teachers and supervisors share power, responsibility and purpose.* Paper presented at the National Association of Early Childhood Teacher Educators Conference, Chicago, IL.
- Paris, C.** (2002, February). *Accountability and learner-centered teacher education: Preparing teachers to define and defend their own accountability.* Paper presented at the annual meeting of American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education, New York, NY.
- Paris, C. & Combs, B.** (2000, April). *Teachers' perspectives on what it means to be learner-centered.* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association, New Orleans, LA.

- Combs, B. & Paris, C. (1999, April). *Becoming learner-centered teachers: Personal and professional histories of teachers who have adopted a constructivist teaching and learning paradigm*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the New England Educational Research Organization, Portsmouth, NH.
- Paris, C. (1995, April). *Far afield: Conceptions of field experience and learning to teach*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association, New York, NY.
- Paris, C. & Foster, K. (1995, March). *Out of the frying pan into the Foxfire: Rethinking practice through Foxfire principles*. Paper presented at the 17th Annual Ethnography in Education Research Forum, Philadelphia, PA.
- Paris, C. (1992, April). *Origins of teacher agency in curriculum work*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association, San Francisco, CA.
- Paris, C. (1991, April). *Teachers' conceptions of curriculum: Challenging, extending, substantiating theory*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association, Chicago, IL.
- Paris, C. (1991, April). *Teaching and curriculum change: When questioning isn't challenging and subsuming isn't coopting*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association, Chicago, IL.
- Paris, C. (1991, February). *Teaching with teachers, learning with teachers*. Paper presented at annual meeting of the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education, Atlanta, GA.
- Paris, C. (1990, March). *Collaborative program for teacher development: Reflections on emerging roles and emerging practice*. Paper presented at 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Ethnography in Education Research Forum, Philadelphia, PA.
- Paris, C. (1990, April). *Teacher initiative and curriculum change: Altered processes, altered paradigms*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association, Boston, MA.
- Paris, C. (1989, October). *Quiet resistance: Teachers' responses to curriculum change*. Paper presented at Journal of Curriculum Theorizing Conference at Bergamo, Dayton, OH.
- Paris, C. (1989, April). *Contexts of curriculum change: Conflict and consonance*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association, San Francisco, CA.
- Cochran-Smith, M. Paris, C. (1989, April). *Teachers, children and word processing: Working with a felicitous tool*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association, San Francisco, CA.
- Paris, C. (1987, July). *You're not telling us what to do: The ideological contexts of teachers' introduction to word processing*. Paper presented at the International Federation of Information Processing Working Conference, W. G. 3.5, Rijkuniversiteit Gent, Belgium.
- Paris, C. (1987, March). *Finding the keys: Word processing in early childhood*. Paper presented at 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Ethnography in Education Research Forum, Philadelphia, PA.
- Cochran-Smith, M., Kahn, J. & Paris, C. (1986, April). *Play with it; I'll help you with it; Figure it out: Three teachers introduce word processing*. Paper presented at 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Ethnography in Education Research Forum, Philadelphia, PA.

Cochran-Smith, M., Kahn, J. & **Paris**, C. (1986, March). *Contrasting approaches to word processing in the classroom*. Paper presented at the Literacy Research Center 1986 Speakers Series, Philadelphia, PA.

**Paris**, C. & Morris, S. (1985, October). *Computers in early childhood education: Peer interaction and peer teaching*. Paper presented at Microworlds for Young Children Conference, College Park, MD, (ERIC Document Reproduction Service No. ED 257 255).

#### **PEER REVIEWED WORKSHOPS AT PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES**

Paris, C. & Morris, L. (2012, March, 30) “Hey, Teacher! Look what I did!”: Promoting Science Learning During Water Play 2012 Delaware Head Start Association and Delaware Association for the Education of Young Children Making a Difference Conference, Dover, DE.

Godwin, R., Paris, C. & Pollock, K. (2012, March 31) “You have to think with your head to think what you think”: Thinking with your children about thinking Delaware Head Start Association and Delaware Association for the Education of Young Children Conference, Dover DE.

**Paris**, C. & Woodson, A. (2008, May). *Skilled Dialogue and the 3 R’s of Relationships*. Presented at the Parent Practitioner Partnership Summit, Delaware Parent Leadership and Partnership Initiative, Dover, DE.

**Paris**, C. (2006, November). *Looking closely at children’s work to make your curriculum more child-centered*. Presented at Delaware Association for the Education of Young Children Annual Conference, Newark, DE.

**Paris**, C. (2006, November). *Talking math with young children*. Presented at the Delaware Association for the Education of Young Children Annual Conference, Newark, DE.

**Paris**, C. & Morris, L. (2005, December). *Listening to children, watching children to build a child-centered curriculum*. Presented at the National Association for the Education of Young Children Annual Conference, Washington, DC.

**Paris**, C. & Morris, L. (2005, October). *Listening to children, watching children to build a child-centered curriculum*. Presented at the Delaware Association for the Education of Young Children Annual Conference., Newark, DE.

#### **INVITED PRESENTATIONS**

**Paris**, C. (2012, April 20) *Relationship, Reflection and Skilled Dialogue: Leaders as Mentors*. New Directions Early Head Start Annual Conference, New Castle, DE.

Morris, L. & **Paris**, C. (2012, June 2) *Science Learning through Water Play*. 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Jane Davidson Forum on Play, Newark, DE.

**Paris**, C. (2011, June 19). Mentoring: relationship, reflection and transformative learning. Rider University Teacher Leadership Community Summer Institute, Lawrenceville, NJ.

**Paris**, C. (2011, April 15). Using assessment and observation data in developing intentional, individualized activity plans for infants and toddlers. 2011 New Directions Early Head Start Annual Conference., Newark, DE.

**Paris**, C. (2010, August 16 & 18). Coaching strategies for Early Reading First Coaches. University of Delaware Early Learning First project. Newark, DE.

- Paris, C.** (2010, July 28). Leading Change in Learning Communities. Head Start ECAP Stars Leadership Forum, Dover, DE.
- Paris, C, Morris, L, Torbert, D.** (2010, May 22). Meeting science standards through play. Presented at the First Annual Jane I. Davidson Play Forum, University of Delaware Laboratory Preschool and Department of Human Development and Family Studies, Newark, DE.
- Cochran, M., Biggs, A., Harvey, K., Wilkinson, E., **Paris, C.** Thomas-Fair, U., Lutton, A., Halgunseth, L. (2009, June). *NAEYC Office of Applied Research: Moving the pipeline discussion forward*. National Association for the Education of Young Children's 18<sup>th</sup> Annual National Institute for Early Childhood Professional Development, Charlotte, NC.
- Baptise, N.M., Goble, C.B., Halgunseth, L., Hyson, M. Lawrence, S., **Paris, C.** (2009, June). "*Serious play*" for undergraduate students: Using the Research Connections faculty teaching modules to help students explore and engage with early childhood research. National Association for the Education of Young Children's 18<sup>th</sup> Annual National Institute for Early Childhood Professional Development, Charlotte, NC.
- Hyson, M., Kreader, L., Lawrence, S., Goble, C.B., Baptiste, M.N., **Paris, C.** (2009, February 12) *New research connections teaching modules: activities and resources for undergraduate early childhood teacher education courses*. Webinar by Child Care and Early Education Research Connections and NAEYC Office of Applied Research <http://www.childcareresearch.org/discover/modules/hyson/webinarpowerpoint.pdf> and <http://www.childcareresearch.org/discover/modules/hyson/handout01-Paris.pdf>
- Hyson, M., Kreader, L., Lawrence, S., Baptiste, N., Goble, C., & **Paris, C.** (2008, November). *Using the "Research Connections" teaching modules: Faculty perspectives, new resources, and feedback opportunities* . Presented at the National Association for the Education of Young Children Annual Conference, Dallas, TX.
- Paris, C.** (1999, November). *The Foxfire Approach to teaching, learning, curriculum, and community*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, Hershey, PA.
- Paris, C., Burnett, A., Chodoroff, N., Fetter, J., Foster, K., Schreiber, R., Sela, B., & Zaccaria, S.** (1999, April). *A Foxfire perspective on character education*. Paper presented at the New Jersey State Department of Education Conference on Character Education. The College of New Jersey, Hamilton, NJ.
- Starnes, B. & **Paris, C.** (1998, September). *Supporting teachers as professional leaders*. Session conducted with the National Writing Project at the National Congress for Public Education. Washington, DC.
- Paris, C.** (1985, March). *Computer experiences for young children: A developmental approach*. Keynote presentation at the National Conference on Computers and Young Children, Newark, DE.
- Paris, C.** (1984, March). *Integrating computers into a developmental preschool classroom*. Paper presented at the National Conference on Computers and Young Children, Newark, DE.

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY

### NATIONAL SERVICE

*Journal of Early Childhood  
Teacher Education*  
Fall 2010

Guest Co-Editor of Theme Issue: Early Childhood Teacher Educator  
Teacher Research

*Journal of Early Childhood  
Teacher Education* Editorial Board Member  
2005 to present

*Journal of Teacher Education* Board of Reviewers  
2000 to present

*Teaching and Teacher Education* Reviewer  
2004 to present

*National Center for  
Collaborative Teaching  
and Learning* Founding Board Member  
2000 to 2003

*American Educational  
Research Journal* Reviewer  
1992

*Delmar Press* Reviewer  
1988 to 1990

#### **STATE AND REGIONAL SERVICE**

*Delaware Department of Education* Task Force Member  
*Expanding Inclusive Early Intervention  
Opportunities Early Childhood  
Personnel Center Stakeholders Group*  
2014 to present

*Delaware Professional Standards Board  
& Office of Early Learning* Review Committee Member  
Early Childhood Teacher certification requirements and assessments  
2013-2014

*Delaware Office of Child Care  
Licensing Task Force on Regulations* Task Force Member  
2013

*Delaware Office of Child Care Licensing  
Revision of Delacare: Regulations for  
Early Care and Education sand  
School-Age Centers* Task Force Member  
2013

*New Scripts Delaware* Board Member  
2005 to 2009

*Governor's Summit on  
Early Childhood* Work Group Facilitator, "Ready Schools"  
2006

*Delaware Early Childhood* Chair/Facilitator, Child Outcomes Work Group

<i>Outcomes Advisory Group</i> 2004 to 2006	Member, Child Indicators Sub-group
<i>Delaware Full-day kindergarten Pilot Program Grant</i> 2005	Grant Proposal Reviewer
<i>Delaware HJR 9 Task Force on Early Childhood</i> 2003 to 2005	Member Full-day Kindergarten Work Group.
<i>Middle States Early Childhood Network of the Council of Chief School Officers</i> 2003 to 2005	Member
<i>New Jersey Professional Development Center for Early Care and Education</i> 2001 to 2003	Articulation Work Group Member Early Childhood Supervisor Credential Work Group Member
<i>New Jersey Early Childhood Education Curriculum Framework development.</i> 2001	Resource Team Member
<i>Focus on Education: New Jersey Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development Journal.</i> 1998 to 2002	Editorial Board Member
<i>Middle States Commission on Higher Education</i> 1990 to 2002	Site Evaluation Team Member
<i>Earthstar: A Foxfire-Affiliated Network of New Jersey Teachers</i> 1999 to 2001	Founding Member Treasurer
<i>East Trenton Library Student-to- Student after-school tutoring and mentoring program</i> 1993-1996	Developer and Overseer
<i>New Jersey Association of Teacher Educators Journal</i> 1991 to 1995	Reviewer
<i>Massachusetts Board of Regents of Higher Education</i> 1989	Site Evaluation Team Member

*Martin Luther King, Jr.,  
Cooperative Preschool,  
Newark, DE  
1981-1982*

Board Member

*West Center City Day  
Nursery Association,  
Wilmington, DE  
1978-1981*

Trustee

### **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS**

*Teacher research  
2006*

“Action research: Building your own research-based practice”. Delaware Full-Day Kindergarten Institute. Dover, DE

*Teacher research  
2006-2007*

“Finding your research questions”  
“Deciding what to document”  
“Case study: Learning from looking at a single child”  
Delaware Department of Education Professional Development Cluster,  
*First steps toward success in full-day kindergarten*, Dover, DE

*Child-centered curriculum“  
2003*

Sifting through the possibilities: Making curriculum decisions in a child-centered classroom” (with Laura Morris)  
The Early Learning Center, University of Delaware, Newark, DE

*Mentoring beginning teachers.  
2001, 2002  
1993  
1992*

Hopewell Valley Regional School District  
The Lawrenceville School, Lawrenceville, NJ  
New Egypt Elementary School, New Egypt, NJ

*Experience-based teaching  
and learning  
1999*

University of Pennsylvania/Philadelphia School District Collaborative,  
Philadelphia, PA

*Teacher research  
1996-1998*

Ben Franklin Elementary School, Lawrenceville, NJ

*Kindergarten math curriculum.  
1994  
1993*

Princeton and East Windsor School Districts, Princeton, NJ  
Lawrenceville School District, Lawrenceville, NJ

*Primary math curriculum.  
1994  
1987*

Grant Elementary School, Trenton, NJ  
University City New School, Philadelphia, PA

*Pre-K curriculum  
1989*

Ewing Township School, Ewing, NJ

*Ungraded primary  
1988*

Unionville-Chadds Ford School District, Unionville, PA

### **GRANTS and GRANT PROPOSALS**

Under review: IES e-Professional Development for Early Childhood Educators: Focus on Physical Science and Engineering

Carol Vukelich, Jennifer Buckley, Jennifer Gallo-Fox, Henry May,  
Cynthia Paris, and Kathryn Scantlebury

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Carol Vukelich, Jennifer Buckley, Jennifer Gallo-Fox, Henry May,  
Cynthia Paris, and Kathryn Scantlebury
- 2012 -2017 Investigator, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS): *Technology and Media Services for Individuals With Disabilities--Models Promoting Young Children's Use of Assistive Technology*
- 2005 - 2006 Principal Investigator, University of Delaware Instructional Grant. *Moving Field Experiences to Service Learning Opportunities.*
- 2005 -2006 Principal Investigator, University of Delaware General University Research Grant. *Teacher's growth toward child-initiated curriculum approaches across the professional life span.*
- 2004-2005 Principal Investigator, University of Delaware College of Human Services, Education and Public Policy Research Grant. *Teachers as curriculum-makers.*
- 2001-2003 Project Director of New Jersey Commission on Higher Education-funded *Virtual Learning Community* professional development project.
- 2000-2003 Coordinator of Prudential Foundation Planning and Early Implementation Grant to support the creation of Rider University's Early Childhood Education Programs.
- 2000 Recipient of Rider University Research Grant-in-Aid. Seeking ways to develop and support learner-centered teachers: An analysis of the personal and professional histories of experienced progressive teachers.
- 1996 – 2000 Local administrator of Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation grant to The Foxfire Fund, Inc. to support teacher outreach and support in New Jersey.
- 1993-1996 Co-coordinator of Borden Foundation-funded "Student to Student" tutoring and mentoring program pairing Trenton students and Rider University students.

#### AWARDS

- 2009 *NAECTE Outstanding JECTE Journal Article Award*, Honorable Mention for "Agency and child-centered practice in novice teachers: Autonomy, efficacy, intentionality, and reflectivity" (with Polly Lung)
- 2009 *Jane Ilene Davidson Leadership Award*, Delaware Association for the Education of Young Children
- 2005 *First Annual Research Award*, National Association of Early Childhood Teacher Education Foundation for "Curriculum Agency and Novice Teachers"
- 2000 *Foxfire President's Award*, for contributions to setting direction for the organization's research and teacher support services
- 1992 *Conference on English Education (CEE) Richard A. Meade Award for Distinguished Research in English Education for Learning to write differently: Beginning writers and word processing*

1988

*William E. Arnold Alumni Award for Leadership*, Graduate School of Education, University of Pennsylvania

#### **CERTIFICATIONS**

Delaware Teacher of Early Childhood/Primary K-4

New Jersey Teacher of Preschool through Grade 3

New Jersey Curriculum Supervisor

Delaware Office of Child Care Licensing Early Childhood Teacher, Early Childhood Administrator, School Age Administrator

#### **CURRENT MEMBERSHIPS IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

American Association for Colleges for Teacher Education

American Educational Research Association

Division B, Curriculum

Division K, Teacher Education

SIG member, Early Education and Child Development

SIG member, Critical Perspectives on Early Childhood Education

Delaware Association for the Education of Young Children

International Association of Laboratory Schools

National Association for the Education of Young Children

National Association of Early Childhood Teacher Educators

Editorial Board Member, *Journal of Early Childhood Teacher Education*

National Coalition of Campus Children's Centers

National Council of Teachers of Mathematics

National Science Teachers Association