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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Education December, 2016

Rhode Island College/University of Rhode Island Providence, RI/Kingston, RI

M.A.T. in Elementary Education January, 2003

Rhode Island College Providence, RI

BA Art History May, 1995 University of Rhode Island Kingston, RI

EMPLOYMENT

Aug., 2005-

Henry Barnard School/Rhode Island College, Associate Professor

- Second Grade Teacher, Henry Barnard School
 - Develop and implement developmentally appropriate second grade curriculum to stimulate collaboration, communication, critical thinking, and creativity
 - Differentiate curriculum to accommodate students of advanced and non-advanced abilities
 - Foster a classroom environment conducive to learning and promote excellent teacher/student, teacher/family, and student/student interactions
 - Serve as course and clinical instructor to early childhood, elementary, and special education courses
- Course Instructor, Rhode Island College
 - o Courses Taught
 - ECED 420C: Mathematics, pre-kindergarten through second grade
 - ECED 350: STEAM in early childhood education
 - ECED 469: Best practices in early childhood settings
 - ELED 438: Teaching elementary school mathematics

- Clinical Instructor, Rhode Island College
 - Courses supervised
 - ECED 420: Mathematics, prekindergarten through second grade
 - SPED 312: Assessment procedures for youth with disabilities
 - SPED 458: Math/Science for students with disabilities
 - ELED 437: Teaching elementary school science
 - ELED 438: Teaching elementary school mathematics
 - ECED 429: Early childhood social studies and science

Aug., 2004-2005 Rhode Island College, Instructor, Grade 2, Henry Barnard School

Jun., 2007-2013 Rhode Island College, Faculty Advisor

- Advise elementary education and early childhood education candidates
- Provide incoming freshmen and transfer students with information relevant to Elementary and Early Childhood Education admission process
- Facilitate registration process

Jan., 2003-Jun. 2004 Johnston Public Schools, Substitute Teacher

• Long term substitute teacher, grades 2 and 3

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Articles

- Capraro, K. (2017). Making change in second grade: Exploring money through project-based learning. *Young Children*, (72)3, 30-36.
- Capraro, K. (2017). Examining the organization of a second grade classroom: An action research analysis using human resource and structural frames. *in education*, (23)1, 150-163.
- Kniseley, M. & Capraro, K. (2013). Small wonders, close encounters: Introducing students to the world of digital microscopy. *Science and Children, (51)*1, 54-58.

Capraro, K. (2011). Let's SQUINK about it! A metacognitive approach to exploring text in a second grade classroom. *Young Children*, (66)5, 14-18.

Book Chapters

- Capraro, K. (2013). Let's SQUINK about it! A metacognitive approach to exploring text in a second grade classroom. In C. Copple, S. Bredekamp, D. Koralek & K. Charner (Eds.), *Developmentally appropriate practice: Focus on children in first, second, and third grades* (134-139). National Association for the Education of Young Children: Washington, DC.
- Capraro, K. (2012). Let's SQUINK about it! A metacognitive approach to exploring text in a second grade classroom. In C. Copple (Ed.) *Growing minds: Building strong cognitive foundations* (125-130). National Association for the Education of Young Children: Washington, DC.

PRESENTATIONS

Refereed Professional Presentations - National and International

- Capraro, K., Nonis, M., Borges, J. (November, 2016). *Making change: Exploring money across the curriculum through project-based learning.* National Association for the Education of Young Children, Los Angeles, CA.
- Capraro, K. (April, 2016). *Measuring up: Teaching linear measurement concepts in early childhood.* National Council of Teachers of Mathematics Conference, San Francisco, CA.
- Capraro, K., Nonis, M. & Borges, J. (November, 2015). *It all adds up: Differentiating mathematics in the early childhood classroom.* National Association for the Education of Young Children Conference, Orlando, FL.
- Capraro, K., Nonis, M., & Borges, J. (June, 2015). *Using coteaching within the early childhood mathematics practicum to teach preservice teachers differentiation techniques.* National Association of Early Childhood Teacher Educators Conference, New Orleans, LA.
- Capraro, K. (April, 2015). *Fractions at an early age.* National Council of Teachers of Mathematics Conference, Boston, MA.
- Capraro, K. & Sevey, L. (June, 2014). *Investigating coteaching in the early childhood mathematics practicum.* National Association of Early Childhood Teacher Educators Conference, Minneapolis, MN.

- Capraro, K. (April, 2014). Out of the mouths of babes: Conducting educational research through cogenerative dialogue. American Educational Research Association Conference, Philadelphia, PA.
- Capraro, K. & Nonis, M. (2010). We can add! Incorporating music, art, poetry and movement to teach basic facts to young learners. Institute for Elemental and Ethics Education's One Voice International Conference for Educators, Washington, DC.
- Capraro, K. & Kingsley, S. (November, 2009), Magical classroom design for kindergarten and the early primary grades. National Association for the Education of Young Children 2009 Annual Conference and Expo, Washington, DC.
- Capraro, K., Barker, L. (April 2008), *Awaken Your Imagination: Image Making Within the Writing Process*. International Association of Laboratory and University Affiliated Schools, Providence, RI.
- Capraro, K., Percoco, V. (April, 2008), *LA Buddies*. International Association of Laboratory and University Affiliated Schools, Providence, RI.

Refereed Professional Presentations - Local & Regional

- Capraro, K. (April, 2017). An explanatory case study of co-teaching as an alternative student teaching method: Next steps. New England Educational Research Association Conference, Portsmouth, NH.
- Capraro, K. (April, 2016). An explanatory case study of co-teaching as an alternative student teaching method: Research in progress. New England Educational Research Association Conference, Portsmouth, NH.
- Capraro, K. (May, 2015). Reorganizing the power structure in second grade: A frame analysis. New England Educational Research Association Conference, Portsmouth, NH.
- Capraro, K. & Sevey, L. (April, 2014). Rethinking the mathematics practicum: Investigating coteaching as a way to better prepare preservice teachers. New England Educational Research Association Conference, Dover, VT.
- Nonis, M. & Borges, J. & Capraro, K. (November, 2011), *Student choice in book selection: Setting up a classroom library that works.* Promising Practices and Promising Partnerships Conference, Providence, RI.

- Capraro, K., Barker, L. (December, 2006) Awaken Your Imagination: Image making within the writing process. Rhode Island State Council of the International Reading Association, Warwick, RI.
- Parkerson, L., Arango, J. & Capraro, K. (June, 2006) *Veggie Power: Alternate sources of energy*. Alliance for the Study and Teaching of Adolescent Literature, Providence, RI.

Invited Presentations

- Capraro, K. (May, 2017). *An explanatory case study of co-teaching as an alternative student teaching method.* In L. Schuster (Chair), 7th annual graduate studies symposium. Symposium conducted at Rhode Island College, Providence, RI.
- Capraro, K. (April, 2016). *An explanatory case study of co-teaching as an alternative student teaching method.* In L. Schuster (Chair), 6th annual graduate studies symposium. Symposium conducted at Rhode Island College, Providence, RI.
- Capraro, K. (August, 2016). Co-teaching in Central Falls. Central Falls, RI.
- Capraro, K. (August, 2016). *Co-teaching: Practicum and student teaching possibilities.* Warwick, RI.
- Capraro, K. (June, 2016). *Co-teaching within the practicum: Special considerations, practical solutions.* Central Falls, RI.
- Capraro, K. (2014). *Math menus: Differentiating math for all students.* Steere Farm Elementary School, Burriville, RI.
- Capraro, K. & McDermott-Fasy, C. (2013). *Math menus: Differentiating math for all students.* Austin T. Levy School, Burriville, RI.
- Capraro, K. (2010). *Math menus: Differentiating math for all students.* Rhode Island College/ECED 420; Mathematics, prekindergarten through second grade, Providence, RI.
- Capraro, K. (2010). *Helping children master the basic facts for addition.* Rhode Island College/ECED 420; Mathematics, prekindergarten through second grade, Providence, RI.
- Capraro, K. (2009). *Visual arts in the classroom.* Rhode Island College/ARTE 340; Methods and materials in art education, Providence, RI.
- Capraro, K. (2008). *The most magical place on earth.* University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill/EDUC 412; Learning and development in the elementary classroom, Chapel Hill, NC.

Capraro, K. (2008). *Designing doubles.* Rhode Island College/ARTE 340; Methods and materials in art education, Providence, RI.

Capraro, K. (2006). *Curriculum development*. Rhode Island College/PSYC 453; Community Psychology, Providence, RI.

RESEARCH

2016 Lead Researcher

Capraro, K. *An explanatory case study of the implementation of coteaching as a student teaching method.*Rhode Island College, Providence, RI.

2014 Teacher Participant

Capraro, K. & Sevey, L. *Pilot study: Co-teaching in the mathematics practicum.*

Rhode Island College, Providence, RI.

2013 Teacher Participant

Capraro, K. & Cotti, L. *Pilot study: Cogenerative dialogue in the elementary classroom.*

Rhode Island College, Providence, RI.

2012 Teacher Participant

McDermott-Fasy, C. *Pilot study: Universal assessment and progress monitoring in mathematics.*

Rhode Island College, Providence, RI.

2012 Teacher Partcipant

Kniseley, G. *ProScopeHR K-5 Case study: Using handheld digital microscopes in elementary hands-on science programs.*Rhode Island College, Providence, RI.

2011-2012 Mentor Teacher

Sullivan E., & Cotti, L. *Pilot study: Co-teacher student teaching model.* Rhode Island College, Providence, RI.

2009 Teacher Participant

Kniseley, G. i>clicker *Pedagogy case study: Clickers in elementary*

classrooms.

Rhode Island College, Providence, RI.

OTHER SCHOLARLY ACTIVITY

2016	Course Developer STEAM for the Young Learner Rhode Island College, Providence, RI	
2014-2015	Service Learning Project Leader Central Falls comes to second grade: Service learning as a pathway to college. Central Falls High School and Henry Barnard School Rhode Island College, Providence, RI	
2012	Teacher Participant iPad Learning Community Rhode Island College	
2010-2012	Partner to Liz Garfalo/Coordinator, Special Projects Awaken your imagination; Image making within the writing process. FSEHD Teacher Candidates and Henry Barnard School Rhode Island College, Providence, RI	
2008-2009	Partner to "Pathways" Joint pathways through college program Rhode Island College and Mt. Pleasant High School, Providence, RI.	
2009	Partner to AGES; Rhode Island College Gerontology Club An older person I know; Stories and reflections from the students of Henry Barnard School. Rhode Island College, Providence, RI.	
2008	Partner to Debate Watch 2008 and PSYC 453; Community Psychology Start a revolutionVOTE!. Rhode Island College, Providence, RI.	
2007	Partner to PSYC 453; Community Psychology Safety and strategies to avoid stranger abduction. Rhode Island College, Providence, RI.	
PROFESSIONAL SERVICE		
2016-2017 2016-2017 2015-2017 2015-2016	FSEHD Office of Partnerships and Placements Committee HBS Technology Committee HBS School Improvement Team HBS Math Committee	

RIC/AFT Department Representative
Dean's Search Committee
FSEHD Partner Teaching Committee
HBS Departmental Advisory Committee, Chair 2012 – 2013

2014-2017 2013-2014 2013-2014 2011-2015

	Co-Chair 2015 - 2016
2010-2013	RIC/AFT HBS Department Co-Representative
2010-2011	RIC/AFT Faculty Load Committee
2009-2016	HBS Aesthetic Committee
2008-2015	FSEHD Strategic Planning Committee, Chair 2011 – 2012
2008-2009	HBS Advisory Committee
2007-2008	Principal's Advisory Committee
2006-2009	HBS Dean's Advisory Committee
2006-2008	NALS Conference Planning Committee

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education National Association for the Education of Young Children National Council of Teachers of Mathematics New England Educational Research Association

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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2017	Computer Science Fundamentals, code.org, Middletown, RI	
2017	New England Educational Research Association Conference, Portsmouth, NH	
2017	American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education Conference, Tampa, FL	
2016	National Association for the Education of Young Children Conference, Los Angeles, CA (presenter)	
2016	National Council of Teachers of Mathematics Conference, San Francisco, CA (presenter)	
2015	National Institute for Early Childhood Professional Development, New Orleans, LA (presenter)	
2015	New England Educational Research Association Conference, Portsmouth, NH (presenter)	
2015	National Council of Teachers of Mathematics Conference, Boston, MA (presenter)	
2014	National Institute for Early Childhood Professional Development, Minneapolis, MN (presenter)	

2014 New England Educational Research Association Conference, Dover, VT

- 2014 Feinstein Camp Unconference, Providence, RI.
- 2014 American Educational Research Association Conference, Philadelphia, PA (presenter).
- 2013 American Educational Research Association Conference, San Francisco, CA.
- 2012 National Council for the Social Studies Conference, Washington, DC.
- 2011 Promising Practices and Promising Partnerships, Providence, RI (presenter).
- 2011 National Science Teachers Association Conference, San Francisco, CA.
- 2011 One Voice International Conference for Educators, Washington DC (presenter).
- 2010 Staff Development Resource Seminar, Seekonk, MA.
- 2009 National Association for the Education of Young Children Conference, Washington, DC (presenter).
- 2009 National Council of Teachers of Mathematics Conference, Washington, DC.
- 2008 International Association of Laboratory and University Affiliated Schools Conference, Providence, RI (presenter).
- 2008 Staff Development for Educators Pre-K-4 Conference, Manchester, NH.
- 2006 Rhode Island State Council of the International Reading Association Conference, Warwick, RI (presenter).
- 2006 Alliance for the Study and Teaching of Adolescent Literature Conference, Providence, RI (presenter).
- 2005 Rhode Island Mathematics Teachers Association Conference, Providence, RI.