

# Darin Layton Gerdes

## Curriculum Vitae

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### Educational History

- *Ph.D., Organizational Leadership*, Regent University, [School of Leadership Studies](#), Virginia Beach, VA, August 2003, 3.79 GPA.
- *M. A., Public Policy*, Regent University, [Robertson School of Government](#), Virginia Beach, VA, May 1998, 3.55 GPA.
- *M.B.A.*, Regent University, [School of Business](#), Virginia Beach, VA, December 1996, 3.706 GPA.
- *B.S., B.S., Government & Psychology*, [Liberty University](#), Lynchburg, VA GPA, May 1995, 3.466 GPA.

### Instructional History

- *Associate Professor of Business*: [Liberty University School of Business](#), 2005-present.
  - Developed and managed the MBA Leadership Track
  - Taught 6 undergraduate courses
    - Subjects include leadership, management, organizational behavior, business communication, government and economics courses
  - Taught 5 graduate business courses
    - Subjects include leadership, management, and organizational behavior
  - Served on 8 university committees
  - Honors Program faculty member
- *Master-Teacher*: [StoneBridge School](#), Chesapeake, Virginia 1999-2005.
  - Responsible to oversee the history department as a Master-Teacher (equivalent to a department chair)
  - Taught universal history, modern history, US history, AP US history, and honors government & economics
  - Designed and implemented a year-long, school-wide mock congress for which the school won national recognition
  - Mentored dozens of students
  - Developed and taught two new seminar courses
- *Adjunct Professor*: [Averett University School of Graduate and Professional Studies](#), Fall 2003, 2008
  - Taught leadership and organizational behavior courses at three different campuses (Tidewater, Lynchburg, and Roanoke)
- *Adjunct Professor*: [Regent University Graduate School of Education](#), 2000-2007.
  - Taught educators biblical integration/apologetics
  - Co-taught hermeneutics
- *Adjunct Professor*: [Bryant and Stratton College](#), 2005.
  - Taught mathematics
- *Instructor*: [Tidewater Tech](#), Norfolk, Virginia, 1999, Business and Management.
  - Taught a business communications, Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, Excel, microcomputer applications, and computer concepts
- *Instructor*: [Center for Instructional Support](#), Regent University, 1999
  - Taught remedial writing courses to first year graduate students

## Related Experience

- *Substitute Teacher:* [Atlantic Shores Christian School](#), 1998
  - Managed various classrooms of up to 30 students
- *Political Director:* [Massey for Congress](#) (6<sup>th</sup> Congressional District of Tenn.), 1998
  - Directed and scheduled candidate's events
  - Recruited and led volunteers for campaign activities (e.g. Lit drops, GOTV)
  - Maintained campaign volunteer database and staffed activities
- *Web-Master:* [Regent University School of Education](#), 1997-1998
  - Designed, developed, and maintained school web-site

## Honors and Awards

- Invited to present at the [Oxford Roundtable](#), 2007 [Declined]
- [Who's Who Among America's Teachers](#), 2005-2006
- [Who's Who Among America's Teachers](#), nominated 4 times, 2004-2005
- Most Influential Teacher Award, [National Honor Roll](#), 2005
- Nominated for [DisneyHand Teacher Award](#), 2005
- Commended by [Governor Warner of Virginia](#) for Classroom Teaching Methods, 2004
- Recognized in the [Virginian-Pilot](#) Newspaper: "Classroom Politics" March 8, 2004
- [VFW](#) Teacher of the Year Award, Post 9382, 2003-2004
- [Who's Who Among America's Teachers](#), 2003-2004
- Exemplary School Program Award, ([ACSI](#)) Association of Christian Schools International, 2003
- [Who's Who Among America's Teachers](#), 2001-2002
- [Disney's American Teacher Award](#), 2001
- Long Leadership Award, 1995 & 1996
- [National Deans List](#), 1992 & 1995
- [American Legion Medal for Scholastic Excellence \(Army ROTC\)](#), 1993
- Seven Hills Battalion Award for Outstanding Cadet Performance ([Army ROTC](#)), 1993

## Professional Certifications

- Certification in Secondary Education, [ACSI](#), Association of Christian Schools International
- Certified as a Personal Trainer, [W.I.T.S.](#), World Instructor Training Schools
- Formerly licensed in New Jersey as a [real estate agent](#)
- Formerly registered in Virginia as a [private investigator](#)
- Formerly registered in Virginia as an [unarmed security officer](#)
- Formerly registered in Virginia as an [armed security officer](#)

## Professional Associations

- Member, [AOM](#), Academy of Management, 2008-Present
- Member, [CBFA](#), Christian Business Faculty Association, 2006-Present
- Member, [PTA](#), Professional Teachers Association, The Foundation for Teaching Economics, ([FTE](#)), 2006-Present
- Member, [NSBA](#), National School Board Association, 2007-2010
- Member, [VSBA](#), Virginia School Board Association, 2007-2010

## **Honor Societies**

- [Psi Chi](#) (ΨΧ) - The National Honor Society for Psychology
- [Sigma Beta Delta](#) (ΣΒΔ) – The International Honor society for Business, Management and Administration

## **Civic and Community Activities**

- Member, [Lynchburg City School Board](#), 2007-2010
- Candidate, City Council, Virginia Beach, 2004
- Member, City Committee, [Republican Party, City of Virginia Beach](#) 2000, 2002
- Delegate, Republican Party Convention, Richmond, VA, 2001

## **University Service**

### University Committees:

- Member, Business Doctoral Program Feasibility Task Force (2005-2006)
- Member, Faculty Senate General Education Committee (2006-2007)
- Member, Faculty Senate Committee on Information Services (2006-present)
- Member, Graduate Senate (2006-2008)
- Member, Graduate Senate Elections Committee (2006-2007)
- Chair, Graduate Senate Library Committee (2007-2008)
- Member, Worldview Taskforce (2007-2008)
- Member, School of Business Human Resource Management Specialization Taskforce (2007-2008)
- Faculty, Liberty University Honors Program (2006-present)

### Thesis Committees:

Honors Thesis Reader (2004-2005) for Chris Lyons's Senior Honors Thesis "The civil government's role in a free market economic system" Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA

Thesis Reader (2005-2006) for Tyler Barstow's Senior Thesis: "A True Catastrophe: Hurricane Relief and the General Welfare Clause" Stonebridge School, Chesapeake, VA

Honors Thesis Reader (2006-2007) for Christopher Baker's Senior Honors Thesis "Program Evaluation of Child Advocacy Centers in West Virginia" Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA

Honors Thesis Reader (2007-2008) for Christopher Coultas's Senior Honors Thesis "Toward a Unified Theory of Motivation through Clustering of Motivational Factors" Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA

## **Courses Taught/Developed at Liberty University**

### Undergraduate Courses Taught:

- FRSM 101 – Freshman Seminar
- GOVT 200—Constitutional Government & Free Enterprise
- BUSI 260 – Leadership for the Professional
- BUSI 300 – Business Communications (Lab)
- BUSI 310 – Principles of Management
- BUSI 441 – Organizational Behavior II

### Graduate Courses Taught:

- BUSI 500 – Organizational Behavior
- BUSI 501 – Executive Leadership and Management
- BUSI 502 – Servant Leadership
- BUSI 503 – Leadership Theory
- BUSI 504 – Leading Organizational Change

Courses Developed:

- BUSI 502- Servant Leadership
- BUSI 503 - Leadership Theories
- BUSI 504 - Leading Organizational Change

<b>Additional Courses Taught:</b>
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**Secondary:**

*StoneBridge School*

- Government & Economics
- Honors Government and Economics
- Modern History
- US History
- AP US History
- Bible
- Read to Lead
- Read to Win

**Post Secondary/Undergraduate:**

*Tidewater Tech*

- Computer Concepts
- Microcomputer Applications
- Word Processing I
- Excel
- Power Point
- Business Communications II

*Bryant and Stratton College*

- Mathematics Foundations

**Graduate:**

*Averett University*

- Contemporary issues in Leadership
- Organizational Behavior

*Regent University School of Education*

- Apologetics & Bib. Integration
- Hermeneutics

*Regent University Center for Instructional Support*

- Graduate Writing

<b>Research Interests</b>
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- Leadership
- Worldview
- Interdisciplinary studies (e.g. the integration of leadership, business, government, economics and theology)

### **Interests/Hobbies**

- Family
- Reading
- Martial Arts
- Politics