



*Curriculum Vita*

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND**

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| <b>Ed.D.</b>              | Oklahoma State University<br><i>Curriculum and Instruction</i> | 2000 |
| <b>M.A.</b>               | Grace College<br><i>School Administration</i>                  | 1993 |
| <b>Post-Baccalaureate</b> | Houston Baptist University<br><i>History Education</i>         | 1988 |
| <b>B.A.</b>               | Mid-America Christian University<br><i>English</i>             | 1985 |

**PROFESSIONAL LICENSES**

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| <b>Florida</b> | English Teaching License for grades 6-12; expires 2014<br>Social Science Teaching License for grades 6-12; expires 2014 |
| <b>Texas</b>   | English Teaching License for grades 6-12, 1988-Life<br>History Teaching License for grades 6-12, 1988-Life              |
| <b>ACSI</b>    | School Administration License, 2001-Life  |

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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| <b>Professor</b><br><b>Director of School Administration Licensure Program</b><br><i>Liberty University, School of Education, Lynchburg, VA</i> | 2006-Present |
| <b>Adjunct Faculty</b><br><i>Belhaven University, Orlando, FL</i>   | 2003-2006    |
| <b>Superintendent</b><br><i>Warner Christian Academy, South Daytona, FL</i>   | 1998-2006    |
| <b>Assistant Professor</b><br><i>Mid-America Christian University, Oklahoma City, OK</i>  | 1994-1998    |

**Principal**

*Tower Christian Academy, Houston, TX*

1989-1994

**School Teacher: History and English**

*Houston Independent School District, Houston, TX*

1988-1989

*Tower Christian Academy, Houston, TX*

1985-1987

**COURSE INSTRUCTION**

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***Graduate Instruction***

Advanced Educational Psychology  
Culture and Educational Leadership  
Historical and Philosophical Foundations of Education  
Instructional Technology  
School Administration  
Supervision of Instruction  
Teaching Reading in the Content Area

***Undergraduate Instruction***

Educational Psychology  
Foundations of Education  
Methods of Teaching Social Studies  
Methods of Teaching Language Arts  
Methods of Teaching English  
Secondary Curriculum  
Tests and Measurements

**RESEARCH**

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***Peer-Reviewed Publications***

- Smith, S. J. (2012). Case studies: Developing decision-making skills in diverse simulated environments. In J. Tareilo & B. Bizzell (Eds.), *Handbook of Virtual Online Instruction and Programs in Education Leadership*. Houston, TX: NCPEA Press.
- Cookson, G. & Smith, S. J. (2012). Establishing special education programs: Experiences of Christian school principals. *Journal of Research on Christian Education*, 21(1).
- Smith, S. J. (2011). The Death of a Child. In *Popular encyclopedia of Christian counseling*. Eugene, OR: Harvest House.  
[http://works.bepress.com/samuel\\_smith/33/](http://works.bepress.com/samuel_smith/33/)
- Smith, S. J. (2011). The role of controversial issues in moral education: Approaches and attitudes of Christian school educators. *The ICCTE Journal*, 6(1).  
<http://icctejournal.org/issues/v6i1/v6i1-smith/>

- Smith, S. J. & Pantana, J. J. (2010). Preservice second-career teachers in a blended online-residential preparation program: Profiling characteristics and motivations. *The Teacher Educators' Journal*, 17, 41-56.  
[http://works.bepress.com/samuel\\_smith/26](http://works.bepress.com/samuel_smith/26)
- Smith, S. J. (2010). McGuffey Readers. In Hunt, T. C., Carper, J. C., Lasley, T. J., Raisch, C. D. (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of educational reform and dissent*. Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE Publications. [http://works.bepress.com/samuel\\_smith/16](http://works.bepress.com/samuel_smith/16)
- Smith, S. J. (2010). New England Primer. In Hunt, T. C., Carper, J. C., Lasley, T. J., Raisch, C. D. (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of educational reform and dissent*. Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE Publications. [http://works.bepress.com/samuel\\_smith/15](http://works.bepress.com/samuel_smith/15)
- Smith, S. J. (2010). Pestalozzianism. In Hunt, T. C., Carper, J. C., Lasley, T. J., Raisch, C. D. (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of educational reform and dissent*. Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE Publications. [http://works.bepress.com/samuel\\_smith/11](http://works.bepress.com/samuel_smith/11)
- Smith, S. J. (2008). Developing decision making using online contextualized case studies. *International Journal of Educational Leadership Preparation*, 3(2).  
<http://ijelp.expressacademic.org>
- Bigham, J. T. & Smith, S. J. (2008). Called to teach: Interpreting the phenomenon of calling as a motivating factor. *Life@School*, 7(1), 9-12.  
<http://www.faccs.org/assets/PDF-Documents/Life-At-School/LifeSchool-Fall08-final.pdf>
- Smith, S. J. (2007). Navigating religious rights of teachers and students. *Christian Perspectives in Education*, 1(1). <http://digitalcommons.liberty.edu/cpe/vol1/iss1/>
- Coleman, J. C., Christie, E., Culver, M. K., Erickson, D. E., Hunt, J. W., Williams, F. K., Kinsey, G. W., Smith, S. J., & Tareilo, J. (2006). The transition from practitioner to professor: The struggle of new faculty to find their place in the world of academia. *Education Leadership Review*, 8(2), 65-76.  
<http://cnx.org/content/m13967/latest>

### ***Peer-Reviewed Presentations***

- Strickland, J. S. & Smith, S. J. (2011, September). *Role model for women superintendents: Susan Miller Dorsey*. Paper presented at the meeting of Virginia Educational Research Association, Charlottesville, VA.
- Strickland, J. S. & Smith, S. J. (2011, August). *Susan Miller Dorsey (1857-1946): Trailblazer for women school superintendents*. Paper presented at the meeting of National Council for Professors of Educational Administration, Portland, OR.
- Royal, W.A. & Smith, S.J. (2010, September). *Effects of School-wide Positive Behavior Support programs on teacher morale*. Paper presented at the meeting of Virginia Educational Research Association, Charlottesville, VA.
- Royal, W.A. & Smith, S.J. (2010, August). *Effects of School-wide Positive Behavior Support programs on teacher morale*. Paper presented at the meeting of National Council for Professors of Educational Administration, Washington, DC.
- Smith, S. J. & Pantana, J. J. (2010, May). *Preservice second-career teachers in a blended online-residential preparation program: Profiling characteristics and motivations*. Paper presented at the meeting of American Educational Research Association, Denver, CO.

- Smith, S. J. & Pantana, J. J. (2009, September). *Preservice second-career teachers in a blended online-residential preparation program: Profiling characteristics and motivations*. Paper presented at the meeting of Virginia Educational Research Association, Charlottesville, VA.
- Smith, S. J. (2009, August). *A mission deferred: What administrators should know about second-career teachers, their profiling characteristics and motivations*. Paper presented at the meeting of National Council for Professors of Educational Administration, San Antonio, TX.
- Smith, S. J. (2008, July). *Developing decision making using online contextualized case studies*. Paper presented at the meeting of National Council for Professors of Educational Administration, San Diego, CA.
- Smith, S. J. (2007, July). *Navigating religious rights of teachers and students: The administrator's role and responsibility*. Paper presented at the meeting of National Council for Professors of Educational Administration, Chicago, IL.

## **PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION**

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Distinguished Paper Award, Virginia Educational Research Association, 2009:  
*Preservice second-career teachers in a blended online-residential preparation program: Profiling characteristics and motivations*. (with John J. Pantana).

Excellence in Classroom Instruction, Belhaven University, Orlando, FL, 2006.

## **SERVICE**

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### ***University Service***

- Member: Faculty Applicant Interview Committee, Liberty University, 2011-present.
- Member: Diversity Task Force, School of Education, Liberty University, 2010-present.
- Co-Faculty Sponsor: Association of Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD) Student Chapter, Liberty University, 2008-present.
- Internship Supervisor for School Administration, Liberty University, 2006-present.
- Panel Member: *Classroom management*. School of Education, Liberty University, 2010.
- Presenter: *Clickers in the classroom*. Liberty University, 2010.
- Panel Member: *Successful teachings strategies in large classes: Voices of experience*. Liberty University, 2010.
- Chair, Secondary Advisory Council, School of Education, Liberty University, 2009-2010.
- Faculty Sponsor: Child Evangelism Fellowship (CEF) Student Chapter, Liberty University, 2007-2010.
- Secretary: Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, Liberty University, 2007-2009.
- Student Teacher Supervisor, Liberty University, 2009.
- Facilitator: Committee on Improving Writing Outcomes for the School of Education, Liberty University, 2008.

Focus Group Facilitator, Seniors Give Back Day, Competency Assessment for Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS), Liberty University, 2008.  
Writing Assessment Reviewer, Competency Assessment for Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS), Liberty University, 2008.  
Program Report Writer for the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE): Specialized Professional Association (SPA) Report for the Educational Leadership Constituent Council (ELCC), Liberty University, 2007.  
Chair: School of Education Promotion Committee, Liberty University, 2007.  
Member: Student Appeals Committee, Mid-America Christian University, 1994-1998.  
Member: Teacher Education Committee, Mid-America Christian University, 1994-1998.

### ***Non-University Professional Service***

Executive Committee Member: Virginia Educational Research Association (VERA), 2011- present.  
Chair: Research Committee, Virginia Educational Research Association (VERA), 2010-present.  
Member: Conference Planning Committee. National Council of Professors of Educational Administration (NCPEA), Washington, DC, 2010.  
Board Member and District Representative: Florida Regional Council, Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI), 1999-2006.  
Member: Convention Planning Committee, Florida Region, Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI), 1999-2006.

### ***Reviewer***

Reviewer: American Educational Research Association Conference (AERA), 2010-present.  
Reviewer: *Journal of Research on Christian Education*, 2010-present.  
Program Reviewer: Educational Leadership Constituent Council (ELCC), 2009-present.  
Reviewer: *The Teacher Educators' Journal*, 2007-present.

### ***Accreditation Team***

Association of Christian Schools International, Seacrest Christian School, Delray Beach, FL, 2005.

### ***Dissertation Chair***

Tilley, B. T. (2011). *Success despite socio-economics: A case study of a high achieving, high poverty school*. (Doctoral dissertation).  
Dolan, R. P. (2010). *Christian students' worldviews and propensity for mission teaching* (Doctoral dissertation).  
Cookson, G. (2010). *Experiences of principals establishing special education programs in Christian schools* (Doctoral dissertation).  
<http://digitalcommons.liberty.edu/doctoral/353/>

- Heath, M. L. (2009). *Inclusive learning environments: An analysis of early intervention service options for preschoolers with special needs* (Doctoral dissertation).  
<http://digitalcommons.liberty.edu/doctoral/137/>
- Conley, G. K. (2008). *The effect of graphic organizers on the academic achievement of high school students in United States history who receive instruction in a blended, computer-based learning environment* (Doctoral dissertation).  
<http://digitalcommons.liberty.edu/doctoral/129/>
- Lannom, M. H. (2008). *A comparison study of remediation services offered to Latino students in the primary grades* (Doctoral dissertation).  
<http://digitalcommons.liberty.edu/doctoral/118/>
- Bigham, J. T. (2008). *Role of spirituality in persons choosing a career in education: Calling as a motivating factor* (Doctoral dissertation).  
<http://digitalcommons.liberty.edu/doctoral/63/>

### ***Non-Peer Reviewed Presentations***

- Smith, S. J. (2011, November). *Increasing achievement: Strategies that maximize student interaction with content, teachers, and learners*. Presented at the meeting of Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI), Orlando, FL.
- Smith, S. J. (2011, November). *Middle schools that make sense*. Presented at the meeting of Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI), Orlando, FL.
- Smith, S. J. (2011, November). *Philosophy of Christian education*. Presented at the meeting of Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI), Orlando, FL.
- Smith, S. J. (2011, October). *Death of a student: Navigating a school through grief*. Presented at the meeting of Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI), Raleigh, NC.
- Smith, S. J. (2011, October). *Second-career teachers: Success in being a career switcher and in supervising one*. Presented at the meeting of Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI), Raleigh, NC.
- Smith, S. J. (2011, October). *Philosophy of Christian education*. Presented at the meeting of Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI), Raleigh, NC.
- Smith, S. J. (2011, January). Invited presentation for ACSI Convention, Birmingham, AL.
- Smith, S. J. (2010, November). Invited presentation for ACSI Convention, Raleigh, NC.
- Smith, S. J. (2010, February). Invited presentation for ACSI Convention, Galveston, TX.
- Smith, S. J. (2009, November). Invited presentation for ACSI Convention, Dallas, TX.
- Smith, S. J. (2009, October). *In the middle: Teaching the preadolescent*. Presented at the meeting of Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI), Kansas City, MO. [http://works.bepress.com/samuel\\_smith/23](http://works.bepress.com/samuel_smith/23)
- Smith, S. J. (2007, November). *WebQuests and NiceNet: What are they and how can I use them?* Presented at the meeting of Association of Christian Schools International, Orlando, FL. [http://works.bepress.com/samuel\\_smith/7](http://works.bepress.com/samuel_smith/7)
- Smith, S. J. (2007, November). *Learning styles in the world of Christopher Robin: Uncovering layers that affect learning*. Presented at the meeting of Association of Christian Schools International, Orlando, FL.  
[http://works.bepress.com/samuel\\_smith/5](http://works.bepress.com/samuel_smith/5)

- Smith, S. J. (2007, November). *Help! I have to write a philosophy paper for ACSI certification*. Presented at the meeting of Association of Christian Schools International, Orlando, FL. [http://works.bepress.com/samuel\\_smith/6](http://works.bepress.com/samuel_smith/6)
- Smith, S. J. (2006, April). *Learning styles in the higher education classroom*. Presented at the meeting of Belhaven University, Maitland, FL.
- Smith, S. J. (2005, November). *Making the grade: Effective assessment practices*. Presented at the meeting of Association of Christian School International, Orlando, FL. [http://works.bepress.com/samuel\\_smith/4](http://works.bepress.com/samuel_smith/4)
- Smith, S. J. (2005, August). *Writing across the curriculum: Improving student performance on the SAT*. Presented at the meeting of Warner Christian Academy, South Daytona, FL.
- Smith, S. J. (2004, November). *Reading it but not getting it: Strategies for increasing comprehension*. Presented at the meeting of Association of Christian Schools International, Orlando, FL. [http://works.bepress.com/samuel\\_smith/9](http://works.bepress.com/samuel_smith/9)
- Bennett, M. & Smith, S. J. (2004, August) *Implications of brainbased learning research*. Presented at the meeting of Warner Christian Academy, South Daytona, FL.
- Smith, S. J. (2003, November). *State voucher programs: Should your school participate?* Presented at the meeting of Association of Christian Schools International, Orlando, FL. [http://works.bepress.com/samuel\\_smith/3](http://works.bepress.com/samuel_smith/3)
- Smith, S. J. (2003, September). *State voucher programs: Should your school participate?* Presented at the meeting of Seacoast Christian Academy, Jacksonville, FL.
- Smith, S. J. (2002, March). *Conflict resolution: Peacemaking strategies in the classroom*. Presented at the meeting of Johnson Bible College, Knoxville, TN.
- Smith, S. J. (2002, March). *Responding to student personality differences*. Presented at Johnson Bible College, Knoxville, TN.
- Smith, S. J. & Poore, V. (2001, November). *Pastors as partners: Public relations with community churches*. Presented at the meeting of Association of Christian Schools International, Orlando, FL.
- Smith, S. J. (2001, August). *Making a difference: Staying on target philosophically*. Presented at the meeting of Warner Christian Academy, South Daytona, FL.
- Smith, S. J. (1998, October). *Character education in the secondary school*. Presented at the meeting of Warner Christian Academy, South Daytona, FL.
- Smith, S. J. (1997, February). *Understanding learning styles: Following the Master Teacher's example*. Presented at the meeting of Mid-America Christian University, Oklahoma City, OK.

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

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- Virginia Educational Research Association (VERA), 2009-present.
- Association of Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD), 2008-present.
- National Council of Professors of Educational Administration (NCPEA), 2006-present.
- Virginia Professors of Educational Leadership (VPEL), 2006-present.
- American Educational Research Association (AERA), 2010-2011.
- Division Membership: Administration
  - Special Interest Group (SIG) Memberships

- Associates for Research in Private Education SIG
- Moral Development and Education SIG
- Religion and Education SIG

Text and Academic Authors Association (TAAA), 2009-2010.

Association of Teacher Educators in Virginia (ATE-VA), 2006-2009.

Virginia School Counselor Association (VSCA), 2007-2008.

International Association of Christian School Administrators & Board Members, 1998-2006.

National Middle School Association (NMSA), 2001.

Oklahoma Council for the Social Studies (OCSS), 1994-1999.