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PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

Assistant Professor, Educational Technology (2008 – present)
Department of Educational Technology
Boise State University, Boise, ID

Sr. Project Associate; Instructor (2004-2008)
Office of Educational Research and Outreach; Teaching & Learning
Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA

Adjunct Instructor (Educational Technology)
North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC (2008)
East Carolina University, Greenville, NC (2007)
Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS (2007)

Post-doctoral Fellow; Instructor (2003-2004)
Center for Instructional Technology Solutions in Industry and Education
Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA

Graduate Assistant; Instructional Designer (2000-2003)
Teaching & Learning (Instructional Technology program)
Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA

Program Support Technician, Sr. (1999-2000)
Department of Physics, Virginia Tech. Blacksburg, VA

English Instructor; Director of Public Relations (1994-1999)
Hargrave Military Academy, Chatham, VA

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles

- Snelson, C. & Perkins, R.A. (in press). From silent film to YouTube: Tracing the historical roots of motion picture technologies in education. *Journal of Visual Literacy*.
- Perkins, R. A. (2009). Context-oriented instructional design for course transformation. *New Directions for Teaching and Learning*, 118. 85-94.
- Perkins, R.A. (2008). Challenges and questions regarding “culturally sensitive design.” *TechTrends*, 52(5). 19-21.
- Perkins, R.A. (2008). Summer Reading 2008: Recent books on ICT and education. *TechTrends*, 52(3). 22-25.
- Perkins, R. A. (2008). AECT Conference 2007: Report on international presentations. *TechTrends*, 52(1). 40-42.
- Perkins, R. A. (2007). [Review of the book *Cyberspace, distance learning, and higher education in developing countries*]. *Quarterly Review of Distance Education*, 8(3), 283-287.
- Perkins, R. A. (2007). Spotlight Africa: Selected articles & reports (2003-2007). *TechTrends*, 51(6). 16-20.
- Perkins, R. A. (2007). Babel revisited. *TechTrends*, 51(5), 20-23.
- Perkins, R. A. & Arreguin, C. (2007). Real life migrants on the MUVE: Actual stories of virtual transitions. *Learning & Leading with Technology*, 34(8), 16-20.
- Perkins, R. A., Gwayi, S. M., Zozie, P. A., & Lockee, B. B. (2005). Distance education in Malawi. *Educational Technology Research and Design*, 53(4), 101-107.
- Perkins, R. A. (2004, Fall). [Review of the book *Open and distance learning in the developing world*]. *Quarterly Review of Distance Education*, 5(3), 215-218.
- Perkins, R. A. (2002). One for all: The single computer and technology integration. *VSTE Journal*, 16(2). Retrieved January 1, 2005, from http://www.vste.org/communication/journal/attach/vj_1602/vj_1602_04.pdf
- Perkins, R. A., & Cobb Jr., R. (2001). Issues related to creating web-based high school courses. *VSTE Journal*, 16(1). Retrieved January 1, 2005, from http://www.vste.org/communication/journal/attach/vj_1601/vj_1601_07.pdf
- Perkins, R. A. (2000). Is leasing your best option? *VSTE Journal*, 14(2), 5,12-15.
- Sykes, R. P., & Perkins, R. A. (1998). So, you've got \$1 Million to spend on technology. What's the Plan? *Independent Schools*, 57, 78-81.

Book Chapters

- Perkins, R. A., Burton, J. K., & Lockee, B. B. (2005). Building human capacity in Malawi: Contextual considerations in instructional technology project implementation. In M. A. Fitzgerald, M. Orey & R. M. Branch (Eds.), *Educational Media & Technology Yearbook 2005* (Vol. 30, pp. 150-158). Westport, CT: Libraries Unlimited.
- Zozie, P. A., Sanga, M. W., Gwayi, S. M., Nyirongo, N. K., Perkins, R. A., & Lockee, B.B. (2004). Establishment of distance education for secondary school teachers in Malawi, Africa: A national needs assessment. In M. A. Fitzgerald, M. Orey & R. M. Branch (Eds.), *Educational Media & Technology Yearbook 2004* (Vol. 29, pp. 51-60). Westport, CT: Libraries Unlimited.
- Snider, R., Perkins, R. A., Holmes, G. A., & Lockee, B. B. (2002). A systematic approach to determining the scalability of a distance education program. In M. A. Fitzgerald, M. Orey & R. M. Branch (Eds.), *Educational media and technology yearbook* (Vol. 28, pp. 122-138). Englewood, CO: Libraries Unlimited.

Other

- Perkins, R. A. (2003). *The role of context in instructional design: A case study examining the re-purposing of web-based master's degree courses for use in Malawi*. Unpublished doctoral dissertation, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Blacksburg, VA.

PRESENTATIONS

Refereed

- Perkins, R. A. & Haskell, C. (2009). *MUVE'in & Groovin': Virtual environments in K12 classrooms*. Presentation given at the Northwestern Council for Computer Education, Portland, OR.
- Perkins, R. A. (2008). *Digitizing ecological sustainability: Lessons from the "Swiss International Teachers Program"*. Paper presented at the Association for Educational Communications and Technology Annual Conference, Orlando, FL.
- Perkins, R. A. (2008). *SOLVE Island: Teacher and student uses and perceptions of Teen Second Life*. Paper presented at the Association for Educational Communications and Technology Annual Conference, Orlando, FL.
- Lockee, B. B., Nyirongo, N., Perkins, R. A., Sanga, M., Burton, J., & Gwayi, S. (2008). *Adaptation and distance delivery of instructional technology programs for developing countries*. Paper presented at the Association for Educational Communications and Technology Annual Conference, Orlando, FL.
- Brill, J., & Perkins, R. A. (2007). *Exploring the intersection between constructivist pedagogy, technology integration, and standards*. Paper presented at the Association for Educational Communications and Technology Annual Conference, Anaheim, CA.

- Herring, M. C., Dawley, L., Perkins, R. A., & Comstock, L. (2007). *AECT activities and opportunities in Second Life*. Presidential session of the Association for Educational Communications and Technology Annual Conference, Anaheim, CA.
- Perkins, R. A. (2007). *Building a virtual Information and Communications Technology Library for educators*. Poster session presented at the Society for Information Technology in Teacher Education Annual Conference, San Antonio, TX.
- Perkins, S. N., & Perkins, R.A. (2007). *Increasing response rate for web-based surveys*. Roundtable session conducted at the Eastern Educational Research Association Annual Conference, Clearwater, FL.
- Perkins, R.A., Lockee, B.B., Burton, J.K., Gwayi, S., & Nyirongo, N. (2006). *International collaboration for teacher professional development in Malawi, Africa*. Paper presented at the Association for Educational Communications and Technology Annual Conference, Dallas, TX.
- Perkins, R. A., Potter, K., Burton, J. K., & Lockee, B. B. (2005). *Technology integration: Challenging false assumptions*. Paper presented at the Society for Information Technology and Teacher Education International Conference, Phoenix, AZ.
- Perkins, R. A., Bowden, T., Potter, K., Cao, Y., & Liu, J. (2004). *The Tech Speak Translator: A database tool for educators and technologists*. Paper presented at the Society for Information Technology and Teacher Education International Conference, Atlanta, GA.
- Perkins, R. A. (2003). *The role of context in the adaptation of a U.S. designed web-based learning program for Malawi*. Paper presented at the Association for Educational Communications and Technology Annual Conference, Anaheim, CA.
- Perkins, R. A., Lockee, B. B., Burton, J. K., Potter, K., & Holmes, G. A. (2003). *Building human capacity in Malawi: Initial lessons from implementation of a USAID-funded grant at Virginia Tech*. Paper presented at the Association for Educational Communications and Technology Annual Conference, Anaheim, CA.
- Zozie, P. A., Sanga, M. W., Gwayi, S. M., Nyirongo, N. K., & Perkins, R. A. (2003). *A national needs assessment project for Malawi*. Poster session presented at the Association for Educational Communications and Technology Annual Conference, Anaheim, CA.
- Perkins, R. A., Snider, R., Holmes, G. A., & Lockee, B. B. (2001). *Strategies for Scaling Up Distance Education Programs*. Paper presented at the Association for Educational Communications and Technology National Conference, Atlanta, GA.
- Snider, R., Perkins, R. A., Lockee, B. B., & Holmes, G. A. (2001). *A Systematic Approach to Determining Scalability Options for a Distance Education Program*. Paper presented at the EDUCAUSE 2001 Conference, Indianapolis, IN.

Invited / Keynote

Perkins, R. A. (2008). *Does context sensitive design really matter?* Keynote session presented during e/Merge 2008 (online conference hosted by the University of Cape Town, South Africa).

Non-refereed

Perkins, R. A. (2009). *Where virtual worlds and gaming collide*. Presentation given at the Idaho Library Association Annual Conference, Burley, ID.

Perkins, R. A. (2007). *Multi-user virtual environments in K12 education - just a game?* Paper presented at the 13th Annual VDOE Educational Technology Leadership Conference, Roanoke, VA.

Perkins, R. A. (2007). *Serious Games: Multi-user virtual environments in middle and high schools*. Paper presented at the Virginia Society for Technology in Education Annual Conference, Virginia Beach, VA.

Perkins, R. A. (2006). *Writing for money: Grant writing basics*. Paper presented at the 12th Annual VDOE Educational Technology Leadership Conference, Roanoke, VA.

Perkins, R. A., Wenrich, J. (2006). *Federal and state government funding*. Presentation given at the Virginia Department of Education's Instructional Technology Resource Teacher Summer Camps, Radford, VA & Fredericksburg, VA.

Wenrich, J., & Perkins, R. A. (2006). *Where's the beef? Grant writing 101*. Presentation given at the Virginia Department of Education's Instructional Technology Resource Teacher Summer Camps, Radford, VA & Fredericksburg, VA.

Perkins, R. A. (2006). *Writing grants to support technology integration*. Paper presented at the Virginia Society for Technology in Education Annual Conference, Roanoke, VA.

Perkins, R. A. (2005). *Storytelling the old fashioned way (almost)*. Paper presented at the Virginia Society for Technology in Education Annual Conference, Norfolk, VA.

Perkins, R. A. (2005). *Elementary technology resource management: Help for teachers in low-resourced schools*. Paper presented at the Virginia Society for Technology in Education Annual Conference, Norfolk, VA.

Perkins, R. A., Burton, J. K., & Lockee, B. B. (2004). *Piloting an instructional technology diploma program in Malawi, Africa*. Paper presented at the Association for Educational Communications and Technology Annual Conference, Chicago, IL.

Lockee, B. B., Perkins, R. A., Potter, K., & Burton, J. K. (2004). *Technology integration for teachers and administrators: Separating fact from fiction*. Paper presented at the 2004 National Educational Computing Conference, New Orleans, LA.

Perkins, R. A., & Whitt, G. L. (2004). *Mentoring technology integration: Models and methods for teachers & teacher educators*. Paper presented at the Virginia Society for Technology in Education Annual Conference, Roanoke, VA.

Perkins, R. A., & Smith, K. (2002). *One for all: The single computer in your classroom*. Paper presented at the Virginia Society for Technology in Education Annual Conference, Roanoke, VA.