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Education

- 2003 Ph.D. Elementary Education, Early Childhood Education. Ball State University.
- 1997 M.Ed. Curriculum and Instruction, Early Childhood Education. University of Minnesota.
- 1986 B.A. Elementary Education and B.A. French. Clarke College. Magna Cum Laude

Dissertation

“Potential for Change: The Effects of Curricular Intervention on Preservice Education Students’ Attitudes toward Multicultural Teaching and Learning”

Professional Experience

- 2003- **Assistant Professor**, Ball State University, Department of Elementary Education
- 2000-2003 **Graduate Assistant**, Ball State University, Department of Elementary Education
- 2001 **Instructor**, Child Development Program, Ivy Tech State College, Muncie, IN
- 1996-1999 **Executive Director**, Minnesota Association for the Education of Young Children (MnAEYC), St. Paul, MN
- 1995-1998 **Instructor**, Child Development Careers Program, Minneapolis Community and Technical College, Minneapolis, MN
- 1990-1996 **Child Care Coordinator**, Pillsbury Neighborhood Services, Minneapolis, MN
- 1988-1990 **Assistant Director and Lead Teacher**, Small World Preschool/Day Care, Iowa City, IA
- 1986-1988 **Cultural Studies Instructor**, Johns Hill Magnet School, Decatur, IL

Publications

- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E. (2006). The difference a course can make: Preservice teachers’ perceptions of efficacy in working with families. *Journal of Early Childhood Teacher Education*, 27(4), 327-342.
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E., & Staley, L. (In-press). Kids speaking up for kids: Advocacy by children, for children. *Childhood Education*.
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E., & Clark, P. (In-press). Becoming multicultural: Raising awareness and supporting change in teacher education. *Childhood Education*.

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Publications (cont.)

- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E., & Woods, A. (In-press). Preparing teachers, empowering families. *Childhood Education*
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E., & Leitze, A. (In press). Promising practices in teacher education: The Ball State University Urban Semester. *Childhood Education*, 82(5),
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E. (2006). Encouraging school success through family involvement. *Childhood Education*, 35..
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E. (2005). Disequilibrium and reconstruction: The urban encounter as impetus for preservice educators' cultural transformation. *Journal of Early Childhood Teacher Education*, 26(2), 133-147.
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E., & Bilello, T. E. (2005). Parents' victory in reclaiming recess for their children. *Childhood Education*, 82(1), 19-23.
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E. (2002). [Review of the book *Brain research and childhood education*]. *Journal of Early Childhood Teacher Education*, 23(2), 204-205.
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E., & Matlock, R. (2002). Video Script. *Language foundations*. Indiana Department of Education.
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E., & Matlock, R. (2001). From crib to kindergarten. (Sixteen week series of articles). *The Star Press*.
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E. (1998). Appendix Four: Resources. In Heidemann, S. & Hewitt, D. *The optimistic classroom* (pp. 231-234). St. Paul, MN: Redleaf Press.
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E. (1998). Research Appendix. *Hopes & dreams, challenges & strengths: What Minnesota families value*. St. Paul, MN: Minnesota Parenting Association.
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E. (1996). Video Script / Editor. *Building bridges: Effectively communicating through conflict*. Minneapolis, MN: The University of Minnesota.

Presentations

- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E., & Staley, L. (2006, November). *The difference a course can make: Preserve teachers' perceptions of efficacy in working with families*. Poster presentation at the 2006 NAECTE Fall Conference, Atlanta, GA.
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E., Staley, L., & Swiniarski, L. (2006, November). "Let me help!" *Fostering active global citizenship among young children*. Presentation at the 2006 NAEYC Conference, Atlanta, GA.
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E., Staley. (2006, November). *Listen to the children: The power of young voices*.. Presentation at the 2006 NAEYC Conference, Atlanta, GA.
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk. (2006, October). *Panelist: The end of hunger and homelessness*. On-line forum of the Simple Society Alliance for Human Empowerment, Nashua, NH.

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Presentations (cont.)

- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E. & Staley, L. (2006, April). *Kids speaking up for kids: Advocacy for children, by children*. Presentation at the ACEI 2006 Annual Conference and Exhibition, San Antonio, TX
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E., & Staley, L. (2006, April). *Global Forum*. Presentation at the ACEI 2005 Annual Conference and Exhibition, San Antonio, TX
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E. (2006, March). *The dinosaurs ate all the pirates: Understanding children's logic*. Presentation at the 2006 IAEYC State Conference, Indianapolis, IN.
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E. (2006, March). *From where I come: Valuing culture in early childhood programs*. Presentation at the 2006 IAEYC State Conference. Indianapolis, IN.
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E., & Staley, L. (2005, April). *And how are the children? The state of the world's children, 2005*. Presentation at the ACEI 2005 Annual Conference and Exhibition, Washington, DC
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E., & Staley, L. (2005, April). *Global Forum*. Presentation at the ACEI 2005 Annual Conference and Exhibition, Washington, DC
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E. (2005, April). *Beyond open house: Expanding the definition of family involvement*. Presentation at the ACEI 2005 Annual Conference and Exhibition, Washington, DC
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E., & Staley, L. (2005, April). *And how are the children? The state of the world's children, 2005* Presentation to Ball State University Education in Action, Muncie, IN
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E. (2005, March). *Building bridges: Effectively communicating through conflict*. Presentation at the 2005 IAEYC State Conference. Indianapolis, IN
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E. (2004, April). *Potential for change: The effects of curricular intervention on preservice education students' attitudes toward multicultural teaching and learning*. Presentation at the ACEI Annual Conference. New Orleans, LA.
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E. (2004, March). *Beyond open house: Expanding the definition of family involvement*. Presentation at the IAEYC Annual Conference, Indianapolis, IN.
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E. (2004, February). *Stress, resiliency and the role of the early childhood educator*. Presentation at the ECAEYC Spring Workshop, Muncie, IN.
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E. (2003, November). *Stress, resiliency and the role of the early childhood educator*. Presentation at the ECAEYC Fall Workshop, Muncie, IN.
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E. (2003, October). *Beyond open house: Expanding the definition of family involvement*. Presentation at the Ball State University 2003 Early Childhood Conference, Muncie, IN.

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Presentations (cont.)

- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E. (2003, March). *Potential for change: Preservice teacher attitudes toward multicultural teaching and learning*. Presentation at the Ball State University Urban Semester Retreat, Muncie, IN.
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E. (2003, March). *Potential for change: Preservice teacher attitudes toward multicultural teaching and learning*. Presentation at the IAEYC Annual Conference, Indianapolis, IN.
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E. (2002, October). *Stress, resiliency, and the role of the early childhood educator*. Presentation at the Ball State University Early Childhood Conference, Muncie, IN.
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E. (2002, March). *Stress, resiliency, and the role of the early childhood educator*. Presentation at the IAEYC Annual Conference, Indianapolis, IN.
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E. (2001, September). *Implications of multicultural intervention on early childhood educators' attitudes toward diversity*. Presentation at the Ball State University 2001 Early Childhood Conference, Muncie, IN.
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E., & Matlock R. (2001, November). *Using the media to encourage developmentally appropriate caregiving*. Presentation at the Head Start Region V 2001 Conference, Indianapolis, IN.
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E. (1998, October). *Director credentialing in Minnesota*. Presentation at the Minnesota Association for the Education of Young Children 1998 Annual Conference, Minneapolis, MN.
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E., & Robinson, N. (1998). *Quality early education*. Presentation at the Minnesota Alliance of Youth Conference, Minneapolis, MN.
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E., & Whiteman, A. (1998). *Director credentialing in Minnesota*. Presentation at the Duluth Association for the Education of Young Children 1998 Annual Conference, Duluth, MN.
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E., & Kolb, K. (1997). *Building bridges: Effectively communicating through conflict*. Presentation at the Minnesota Association for the Education of Young Children's 39th Conference on Children and Families, Minneapolis, MN.
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E. (1997). *Building bridges: Effectively communicating through conflict*. Workshop presented at Resources for Child Caring, St. Paul, MN.
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E. (1997). *Overcoming the odds: Encouraging resilience in young children*. Workshop presented at Resources for Child Caring, St. Paul, MN.
- Zygmunt-Fillwalk, E. (1996). *Overcoming the odds: Encouraging resilience in young children*. Workshop presented at the City Leadership Academy, Minneapolis, MN.
- Zygmunt, E. (1995). *Children and Play*. Workshop presentation at the City Leadership Academy, Minneapolis, MN.

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Presentations (contd.)

Zygmunt, E. (1993). *Child care quality, accessibility, and affordability*. Presentation at the Women's Day Conference, Bethel Lutheran Church, Minneapolis, MN.

Anderson, D., & Zygmunt, E. (1992). *Empowering families through staff development*. Presentation at the United Neighborhood Centers of America Midwest Conference, Cleveland, OH.

Board and Committee Participation

Eliminating Poverty Initiating Committee (2006-). Muncie, IN: TEAMwork for Quality Living

University Ethics and Academic Freedom (2006-). Ball State University

University Senate. (2005-). Ball State University

Faculty Council. (2005-). Ball State University

Governance and Elections Committee. (2005-). Ball State University

Salary and Benefits Committee. (2005). Ball State University

Women's Week Committee. (2005). Ball State University

United Nations Working Group on Education. (2004-). Corresponding Secretary.

Public Policy Committee. (2004-). Association for Childhood Education International.

Policy Affairs Council. (2004). Ball State University

Search and Screen Committee. (2004-). Department of Elementary Education, Ball State University

Salary Committee. (2004). Department of Elementary Education, Ball State University

Recognition Committee. (2003-). Department of Elementary Education, Ball State University

Undergraduate Education Committee (2003-2004). Ball State University

Early Childhood Conference Committee. (2003-2004). Department of Elementary Education, Ball State University

Month of the Young Child Co-Chair. (2003). Indiana Association for the Education of Young Children

Month of the Young Child Co-Chair. (2002). Indiana Association for the Education of Young Children

Early Childhood Indicators of Progress (Contributing Editor) (1999). St. Paul, MN: MN Department of Children, Families and Learning

Child Care Day at the Capitol Planning Committee (1999). St. Paul, MN: Child Care WORKS

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Board and Committee Participation (cont.)

Federal Child Care and Development Fund Advisory Committee. (1999). St. Paul, MN: MN Department of Children, Families and Learning

Family Friendly Child Care Grant Reader and Advisory Committee (1999). St. Paul, MN: MN Department of Children, Families and Learning

Training Clarification Task Force (1999). St. Paul, MN: MN Department of Children, Families and Learning

Trainers and Leadership Conference Planning Committee (1999). St. Paul, MN: MN State Resource and Referral Network

Child Development Careers Advisory Committee (1999). Minneapolis, MN / St Paul, MN: Minneapolis Community and Technical College / St. Paul Technical College

PICA Head Start Education Advisory Committee (1999). Minneapolis, MN

Child Care Financing Commission Advisory Committee (1998-1999). St. Paul, MN: Child Care WORKS

Director Credentialing Advisory Committee (1998-1999). St. Paul, MN: Minnesota Association for the Education of Young Children

Early Benchmarks / Indicators of Progress Editorial Committee (1998-1999). St. Paul, MN: MN Department of Children, Families and Learning / Minnesota Association of Early Childhood Teacher Educators / Minnesota Association for the Education of Young Children

Head Start / Child Care Partnerships Advisory Committee. (1998-1999). St. Paul, MN: MN Department of Children, Families and Learning

Valuing Women's Work Advisory Committee (1998-1999). St. Paul, MN: Child Care WORKS

At Home Infant Care Program Advisory Committee (1998). St. Paul, MN: MN Department of Children, Families and Learning

Child Care Assistance Fund Advisory Committee (1998). St. Paul, MN: MN Department of Children, Families and Learning

Federal Child Care and Development Fund Advisory Committee (1998). St. Paul, MN: MN Department of Children, Families and Learning.

Early Childhood Program Administrator Skills and Knowledge (Contributing Editor) (1998). St. Paul, MN: Minnesota Association for the Education of Young Children

Early Childhood Teacher Licensure Standards (Contributing Editor) (1998). St. Paul, MN: MN State Board of Teaching

Child Care Regulatory Committee Advisory Committee (1997-1998). St. Paul, MN: MN Department of Children, Families and Learning

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Board and Committee Participation (cont.)

Child Care WORKS Board Member (1997-1998). Minneapolis, MN

Development

Ready to Learn / Ready Schools. (2005). Muncie Ready to Learn / Ready Schools Initiative. Family Social Services Administration: Child Care Fund.

Faculty Internal Grant. (2005). Preparing Preservice Teachers for Family / School Collaboration. Ball State University

Diversity Associates Grant. (2004). Diversity Policy Institute: Ball State University

Graduate Research Grant. (2002). "Potential for Change: The Effects of Curricular Intervention on Preservice Education Students' Attitudes Toward Multicultural Teaching and Learning": Office of Academic Research and Sponsored Programs. Ball State University, Muncie, IN

Director Credentialing. (1999). The Bush Foundation, St. Paul, MN

Early Childhood Professional Development. (1999). The McKnight Foundation, Mpls, MN

Leadership Development. (1999). Midwest Association for the Education of Young Children

Early Childhood Professional Development. (1999). MN Department of Children, Families & Learning, St. Paul, MN

Conference Research. (1998). Midwest Association for the Education of Young Children

Membership Research. (1998). NAEYC: Washington, DC

Parent Outreach. (1998). MN Department of Children, Families & Learning, St. Paul, MN

Early Childhood Professional Development. (1998). The McKnight Foundation, Mpls, MN

Early Childhood Professional Development. (1998). The Aimee and Patrick Butler Family Foundation, St. Paul, MN

Director Credentialing. (1998). The Bush Foundation, St. Paul, MN

Early Childhood Professional Development. (1998). MN Department of Children, Families & Learning, St. Paul, MN

Violence Prevention Training. (1997). Midwest Association for the Education of Young Children

Violence Prevention Training. (1997). NAEYC: Washington, DC

Child Abuse Prevention. (1995). MN Department of Human Services, St. Paul, MN

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Board and Committee Participation (cont.)

Building Renovation. (1994). Greater Minneapolis Day Care Association, Minneapolis, MN

Building Renovation. (1993). Greater Minneapolis Day Care Association, Minneapolis, MN

Building Renovation. (1992). Greater Minneapolis Day Care Association, Minneapolis, MN

Early Childhood Creative Dramatics. (1991). Minneapolis Arts Commission, Minneapolis, MN

Awards

Virginia Ball Center for Creative Inquiry Fellowship. (2006-07). Voice and Vision: Poverty from the Inside Out. Ball State University.

Outstanding Child Care Center Director Award. (1995). Greater Minneapolis Day Care Association, Minneapolis, MN

Phyllis Colwell Award in recognition of exemplary performance. (1994). Pillsbury Neighborhood Services, Minneapolis, MN