# EDUCATION:

Robert Morris University, Moon Twp., PA	2005-2009
Ph.D. Educational Management & Leadership Slippery Rock University, Slippery Rock, PA	2003-2004
Special Education Supervisory Certificate Slippery Rock University, Slippery Rock, PA	1997-1999
Master of Special Education Concentration – Learning Disabilities - 4.0 GPA	
Special Education K-12 Certification	
St. Bonaventure University, St. Bonaventure, NY Bachelor of Business Administration	1989 - 1993
Concentration – Management & Marketing	
TEACHING CREDENTIALS	
Supervisory-Special Education K-12 issued 05/01/2013 Mathematics 7-12- Instructional II- issued 07/01/2008	
HOUSSE Designation English 7-12 issued 06/29/2007 Mentally and/or Physically Handicapped K-12- Instructional II issued 04/01/2004	
PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE: Point Park University, Pittsburgh, PA	2015-present
Assistant Professor of Special Education	•
<ul> <li>Deliver weekly undergraduate and graduate instruction, including online instruction, presentations, and learning activities</li> </ul>	
Develop student evaluations	
Serve as an academic advisor	
<ul> <li>Counsel students preparing to enter the field of special education</li> </ul>	
Seneca Valley School District, Zelienople, PA	2013-2015
Learning Support Instructor, Grades 5 and 6	
<ul> <li>Implement innovative teaching strategies</li> </ul>	
Write cogent Individualized Education Plans	
<ul> <li>Facilitate collaboration among teachers, students, and parents Systematically monitored student progress toward achieving individual</li> </ul>	goals
Slippery Rock University, Slippery Rock, PA	2008 -2013
Assistant Professor of Special Education	2008 -2013
Deliver weekly undergraduate and graduate instruction, including	
online instruction, presentations, and learning activities	
Develop student evaluations	
Serve as an academic advisor	
<ul> <li>Counsel students preparing to enter the field of special education</li> </ul>	
Professional Semester Field Experience Coordinator 2012	Fall 2012
Coordinated placements for 107 field students in 24 area school distric	cts
<ul> <li>Planned seminars to prepare students for field experiences</li> <li>Established and maintained collaborative relationships with school</li> </ul>	
administrators and special education teachers	
Supervised and evaluated field students	
Super Administrator for IEPwriter.com	2010-present
Obtained 200 IEP Writer site licenses from Leader Services Incorporate	•
Establish faculty and student accounts	
Conduct Training for Faculty and Students	

• Monitor software usage and provide support

### North Allegheny School District, Pittsburgh, PA

- Highly Qualified Special Education Emotional Support, Learning Support and Life Skills Instructor, Grades 11 and 12
  - Implement innovative teaching strategies
  - Create diverse transition plans
  - Design effective behavior plans
  - Write cogent Individualized Education Plans
  - Facilitate collaboration among teachers, students, parents and outside agencies

### Greenville Area School District, Greenville, PA

Special Education Learning Support Instructor, Grades 5 and 6

- Developed classroom teaching strategies
- Designed Individualized Education Programs
- Consistently fostered collaboration among administrators, teachers, and parents
- Systematically monitored student progress toward achieving individual goals
- Creatively incorporated technology into students' curriculums
- Regularly attended conferences on diverse educational topics

## George Junior Republic, Grove City, PA

Director of Bellefonds Neuropsychologial and Reeducation Research Program

- Supervised a staff of professionals, working to prove the efficacy of a European method of assessing and cognitively retraining learning deficit children
- Coordinated meetings among professors from Grove City College and Duquesne University and administrators from George Junior Republic
- Established research criteria
- Assessed and reeducated students
- Scheduled student appointments
- Worked with teachers to monitor and record notable academic or behavioral changes
- Presented research results at a symposium for area school districts

### **Clinical Manager**

- Counseled children severe emotional and behavioral problems
- Maintained a behavior modification system
- Communicated in various mediums with parents and probation officers

### **PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS**

*"High Incidence Disabilities"* –presented an overview of high incidence student disabilities, coupled with effective teaching strategies during district teacher in-service programs - Penn Hills School District October 2, 2009

- Shaler Area School District October 12, 2009

- Laurel Highlands School District June 11, 2010

*"Preparing Students Diagnosed with Special Needs for the Transition to the College Experience"* presentation for the district's paraprofessionals -Sto-Rox School District January 18, 2012

"Support Programs for Students with Disabilities at the Post-Secondary Level" - paired with current Slippery Rock University student who receive support services through University Office for Students with Disabilities for high school seniors enrolled in Special Education courses

- North Allegheny Senior High December 2, 2009, March 2, 2010, February 16, 2011

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- Greenville Area High School December 4, 2009

*"Strategies for Supervisors to Increase Student Teacher Self-Reflection"* National Student Teacher Supervision Conference – Slippery Rock, PA, May1, 2010

*"Effective IEP Writing Strategies"* to the Student- Pennsylvania State Education Association (S-PSEA)- Slippery Rock University- March 15, 2011

*"Cyclical Assessment"* - 7th Annual Best Practices in Assessment Poster Presentation for Slippery Rock University Special Education Department – Slippery Rock, PA, April 10, 2012

*"Aspects of Diverse Special Educational Settings for Student-Teacher Supervisors"* - National Student Teaching and Supervision conference – Slippery Rock, PA, April 24, 2012

*"Hiring and Training Paraeducators: What the Future Holds"* – co-investigator, focused on preliminary results of a Survey on Hiring and Training of Paraeducators, was presented by primary investigator, Dr. Mike Monfore, at the Teacher Education Division (TED) of the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) Conference- Grand Rapids, MI, November 18, 2012

#### Slippery Rock UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE EXPERIENCE

Special Education Department Undergrad Curriculum Committee Special Education Department Website Design Committee Special Education Department Library Liaison Special Education Department Search Committee Association of Pennsylvania State College and University	2009-present 2009-present 2009-present 2010 2010 -2012
Faculties (APSCUF) Cooperating Activities Board Special Education Department Committee for Retention Special Education Department Recruitment Committee Special Education Department Promotion Committee	2011 2011-present 2011-present
College of Education Technology Committee College of Education Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation	2010-present 2011-2012
Slippery Rock University Core Assessment Committee	2011-present
Slippery Rock University- HONORS/ACTIVITIES	
Kappa Delta Pi –Faculty Advisor Autism Speaks U - Faculty Advisor Disability Rights: Initiating Voices Everywhere- Faculty Advisor	2012-2012 2011-present 2009-2011
Relay for Life Participant	2003-2005
Slippery Rock University Freshman Orientation advisor	2010-present
Walk for Autism Bulter County United Way Red Apple Award Nominee Cooperative Teacher Clarion University Church of the Beloved Disciple Youth Catechist Grove City, PA IDEA Partnership Dialogue Guide Development Alexandria, VA	2011-2012 2011 2007-2008 2006-present 2005

### UNIVERSITY COURSES TAUGHT

<u>Undergraduate Courses</u> SPED 121- High Incidence Disabilities SPED 122 - Low Incidence Disabilities SPED 202 - Educational Aspects of Physical Disabilities SPED 203 - Educational Aspects of ED/LD SPED 212 - Life Management SPED 250 - Seminar in CPAD SPED 315 - Special Education Issues in Diverse Secondary Classrooms SPED 400 - PROSEM Practicum SPED 430 - Positive Behavior Strategies SPED 432 - Interventions in the Content Areas

SPED 434 - Professional Collaboration and Ethical Practice

IND 101 - FYRST Seminar

**Online Graduate Courses** 

SPED 530 - Nursing Issues in Special Education

SPED 601 - Advanced Study of Learning Disabilities

SPED 602 - Advanced Studies in Exceptionalities

SPED 603 - Assessment of Mild Learning Issues

SPED 607 - Positive Classroom Interventions

SPED 617 - Current Research in Special Education

SPED 625 - Instructional Strategies for Learning and Behavioral Problems

SPED 626 - Lifelong Learning for Individuals with Disabilities

SPED 628 - Developmental Disabilities

SPED 648 - Clinical Practicum