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Degrees Earned

Ph.D. in Human Resource Development (concentration in Assessment/Special Education), Texas
A&M University, 2002

Post Graduate Studies, Sam Houston State University (Educational Diagnostician, Supervision), 1998

M.Ed. in Education, Sam Houston State University, 1996

B.S. in Interdisciplinary Studies (Special Education), Southwest Texas State University, 1992

Professional Licensure and Certifications

Texas Teaching Certificate

Educational Diagnostician Certification (PK-12)

Supervision Certification (PK-12)

Early Childhood Pre-Kindergarten/Kindergarten Certification (PK-K)

English as a Second Language Certification (PK-12)

Generic Special Education Certification (PK-12)

Self-Contained Elementary Education Certification (1-8)

Instructional Leadership Certification: Sam Houston State University

Texas State Early Care and Education Career Development System

Master Level Trainer, Registration #1020

Texas State Early Care and Education Career Development System

Master Level Trainer. Registration # 028-0108-9900T

Training and Development Certification: Texas A&M University/Association for

Training and Development

Peer-Review Publications and Artistic Performances/Exhibitions

Articles

Ridgeway, T., Price, D. & **Simpson, C.** (2010) *Response to Intervention: Is There Enough Research to Support the Promise?* Manuscript submitted for publication.

McGuire, M., **Simpson, C.**, Nabors, D., Timme, K. & Meroney, C. (2010). *Pre-K Goes to College: An examination of a rural school districts collaborative efforts with a University educational preparation program.* Manuscript Submitted for Publication.

Pinto, P., **Simpson, C.**, & Bakken, J.P. (in press) Research-Based Instructions to Increase Communication Skills for Students with Severe Disabilities. *International Journal of Special Education.*

- Simpson, C.** & Lynch, S. (in press). Sign Language in the Elementary Classroom: Benefits for All Children. *Instructional Leader*.
- Simpson, C.**, Gaus, M. & Biggs, M. (in press). Physical Education and Implications for Students with Asperger's Syndrome. *Teaching Exceptional Children Plus*.
- Simpson, C.**, Gaus, M. & Biggs, M. (in press). Using a Team Approach to Addressing Bullying of Students with Asperger's Syndrome in Activity-Based Settings (Special Issue). *Children and Schools: A journal of social work practice*.
- Lynch, S. & **Simpson, C.** (in press). Social Skills: Laying the Foundation for Success. *Dimensions in Early Childhood: Journal of the Southern Early Childhood Education*.
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- Spencer, V., **Simpson, C.**, & Oatis, T. (2009). An Update on the Use of Peer Tutoring and Students with Emotional and Behavioral Disorders. *Exceptionality Education International*. 19(1), 2-13
- Simpson, C.**, McBride, R., Spencer, V., Lowdermilk, J., & Lynch, S. (2009). Assistive Technology: Supporting Students in Inclusive Classrooms. *Kappa Delta Pi Record*. 45(4), 172-175
- McGuire, M., **Simpson, C.** & Duke, L. (2009). Presentations with Students Using the PREPARE Method. *Young Children: Journal of the National Association for the Education of Young Children*. 64(3), 58-61
- Zeilstra, J. & **Simpson, C.** (2009). Transition to Inclusion: An examination of one school's journey to inclusive practices. *The Dialog: Journal of the Texas Educational Diagnostician Association*. 38(1), 19-23
- Swicegood, P., Lynch, S., & **Simpson, C.** (2009) The State of the Practice in Evaluations for Learning Disabilities in Texas. *The Dialog: Journal of the Texas Educational Diagnostician Association*. 38(1), 10-13
- Gaus, M., **Simpson, C.**, & Garcia Biggs, MJ. (2009). Targeting Obesity: A change in focus. *Southeastern Journal of Education*. 2(1),
- Simpson, C.**, Gray, J., Waldrep, S. & Gaus, M. (2009). Families and Caregivers: Working together to create healthier lifestyles. *Dimensions of Early Childhood: Journal of the Southern Early Childhood Association*. 37(1), 15-22.
- Garcia -Biggs, M. J., **Simpson, C.** & Gaus, M. D. (2009). Bullying: Bringing Together the Disciplines. *Children and Schools: A Journal of Social Work Practice*, 31(1) 39-42
- Gaus, M. & **Simpson, C.** (2009). Consultation and Collaboration: Linking academic pursuits and physical activity. *Kappa Delta Pi Record*, 45 (2), 88-91

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- Metzger, B. & **Simpson, C.** (2008). Quality Indicators of Applied Behavior Analysis Providers of Educational Programs for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders: A Guide for School District Personnel. *The Dialog: Journal of the Texas Association of Educational Diagnosticians*, 37 (3)3-6.
- Spencer, V., Carter, B., Boon, R., & **Simpson, C.G.** (2008). If you teach - You teach reading. *International Journal of Special Education*, 23 (2), 1-7
- Spencer, V., **Simpson, C.**, Day, M. & Buster, E. (2008). Using the Power Card Strategy to Teach Social Skills to a Child with Autism. *TEACHING Exceptional Children Plus*, 5 (1) Article 2.
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- Lynch, S., **Simpson, C.** & Swicegood, P. (2008). Ready or Not, Here it Comes! Educational Diagnosticians Perceptions' of the Response to Intervention Process: Research Findings Reported. *The Dialog: Journal of the Texas Educational Diagnostician Association*, 37(2),3-11.
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- Nabors, D. & **Simpson, C.** (2005). Drawings on the Wall: Children's Insights for Defining Diversity. *Dimensions of Early Childhood: Journal of the Southern Early Childhood Association*, 33(2), 11-16.

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- Miller, M., **Simpson, C.** & Price, D. (2005). More Than Sound It Out! Using Strategies and Prompts to Help Young Readers Decode Print. *Early Years: Journal of the Texas Association for the Education of Young Children*, 27(1), 2-4.
- Simpson, C.** & McGuire, M. (2004). Are you Ready? Supporting children in an uncertain world. *Dimensions of Early Childhood: Journal of the Southern Early Childhood Association*, 32(3), 35-38.
- Lynch, S. & **Simpson, C.** (2004). Sensory Processing: Meeting Individual Needs Using the Five Senses. *Young Exceptional Children: Journal of the Division for Early Childhood of the Council for Exceptional Children*, 7(4), 2-9.
- Simpson, C.** & Lynch, S. (2004). Adapting and Modifying Toys for Children with Special Needs. *Educational Resources Information Center*. ERIC Document Reproduction Service. ED481092.
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- Simpson, C.** & Nabors, D. (2003). Bringing Their Words to Life: Providing opportunities for children to connect what they know about oral language to early writing development. *Tennessee's Children: The journal of the Tennessee's Association for the Education of Young Children*, Spring 2003, 14-15.
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- Simpson, C.** & McGuire, M. (2001). Children and Terrorism. *Early years: The journal of the Texas Association of the Education of Young Children*, 23(2), 2-4.

Books

Simpson, C. & Bakken, J.P. (in press). *Full Circle: A Collaborative Approach to Teaching Children with Special Needs*. Waco: Prufrock Press, Inc

Simpson, C. & Spencer, V. (in press). *First Year Inclusion Teacher's Survival Guide*. Waco: Prufrock Press, Inc.

Bakken, J.P. & **Simpson, C.** (in press). *Differentiating Instruction for Students with Mild Disabilities: Strategies That Every Teacher Needs*. Thousand Oaks: Sage Publications

Bakken, J.P. & **Simpson, C.** (in press). *A Survival Guide for New Faculty Members: Outlining the Keys to Success for Promotion and Tenure*. Springfield: Thomas, LTD.

Simpson, C. & Warner, L. (2009). *Inclusive Strategies for Early Childhood Teachers: Helping Children with Special Needs Succeed*. Austin: Prufrock Press, Inc.

Simpson, C. & Spencer, V. (2009). *College Planning for Students with Learning Disabilities*. Austin: Prufrock Press, Inc.

Spencer, V. & **Simpson, C.** (2009). *Teaching Children with Autism in the General Education Classroom*. Austin: Prufrock Press, Inc.

Warner, L., Lynch, S., **Simpson, C.**, & Nabors, D. (2008). *Themes for Inclusive Classrooms: Lesson Plans for Every Learner*. Beltsville: Gryphon House.

Warner, L., Lynch, S., Nabors, D. & **Simpson, C.** (2007). *Inclusive Lesson Plans Throughout the Year*. Beltsville: Gryphon House.

Warner, L., Sower, J., Sower, V. & **Simpson, C.** (2005). *Instructor's Resource Manual with Transparency Masters for Educating Young Children for Preschool through Primary Grades*. Boston: Allyn and Bacon.

Chapters

Simpson, C. & Bakken, J.P. (in press). Pre-Referral Strategies. In Obiakor, F.E (ed). *Educating Students with Special Needs* (pp.) *International Encyclopedia of Special Education* (3rd Ed.). Oxford:Elsevier

Bakken, J. P. & **Simpson, C.** (in press). Culturally Responsive Teaching. In Algozzine, A.P, Daunic, & Smith, S.W. *Preventing Problem Behavior: School-wide programs and classroom practices* (2nd Ed). Thousand Oaks, CA.: Corwin Press

Metzger, B., **Simpson, C.**, & Bakken, J. P. (2010). Early identification/intervention: Can misidentification/misintervention impact students, teachers, and families? In Obiakor, F.E., Bakken, J.P. & Rotatori, A.F. (Eds.). *Advances in special education: Issues in special education: Identification, Assessment and Instruction* (Vol. 19, pp. 17-34). Bingley, United Kingdom: Emerald Group Publishing Limited.

Fielding, C. & **Simpson, C.** (2003). Four Ways To Support Special Educators. In Scherer, M. (ed.) *Keeping Good Teachers*. (pp.159-168). Alexandria, VA: Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development.

Obiakor, F. E., Bakken, J. P., **Simpson, C.**, & Algozzine, B. (in press, 2009). Preventing problem behaviors with culturally responsive teaching. In Obiakor, F.E. (ed). Alexandria, VA.: Corwin Press

Proceedings

Warner, L., S. Lynch, P. Adams, **Simpson, C.** & McGuire, M. (2006). Young Minds, Future Leaders: Mentoring the Next Generation. Proceedings for the Third Annual Hawaii International Conference on Education, Honolulu, Hawaii, January 6-9, 2006.

Training Manuals

Fitzgerald, M., Johnson, M., Lasater, M., & **Simpson, C.** (1999). ParaEducators Lifelines in the Classroom. *Module One: Defining the Role of the ParaEducator. Early Childhood Supplement*. Houston: LR Consulting.

Fitzgerald, M., Johnson, M., Lasater, M., **Simpson, C.** (1999). ParaEducators Lifelines in the Classroom. *Module Two: Celebrating Similarities: Students with Disabilities. Early Childhood Supplement*. Houston: LR Consulting.

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External Grants

Simpson, C., Price, D., & Robbins, M. 2007. Aldine Independent School District—Response to Intervention Research Project, **funded, \$23,373.**

Simpson, C., Price, D., & Robbins, M. 2007. Lakeshore Corporate funding to support Response to Intervention Research Project, **funded, \$11,000.**

Ethics in Educational Diagnostics: A National Study of University Preparation Programs Leading to Educational Diagnostician Certification. Spencer Foundation Research Grant. Purposes and Values of Education. Budget \$20,005.00. **Simpson, C.** & Spencer, V., not funded, March 9, 2007.

Project SUCCESS: Students Using Classwide Cognitive-Instruction to Excel in Social Studies Cola Foundation. Spencer, V., & **Simpson, C.** not funded, May 2, 2007

Personnel Preparation to Enhance Outcomes of Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders. Not funded, 2007 Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (CFDA 84.325G) Professional Development Center: Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders. Principle Investigator: Metzger, B., Co- investigators: Spencer, V., **Simpson, C.** & Lynch, S. Not funded, June 2007

Characteristics and Factors that Influence Teachers to Remain in the Teaching Profession. Wegmann, S.L., Polinik, B.E., Miller, M.S., Nabors, D.K., **Simpson, C.G.**, & Higgins, B., not funded, March 7, 2003.

Grant Consultant, Conroe Independent School District, Region VI Least Restrictive Environment Preschool Grant , 2002, **Funded, \$18, 500.00**

Primary Investigator, Simpson,C. , 2001. Houston Area Network for Dependent Care Service Childcare Grant. Initiatives for Children. **Funded, \$2,000.00**

Primary Investigator, Simpson, C. 2000. Texas Department of Economic Development Professional Training Grant. **Funded: \$43,770.00**

Primary Investigator, Simpson, C., 1999. Houston Area Network for Dependent Care Services Childcare Grant. Initiatives for Children. **Funded: \$2,000.00**

Internal Grants

Simpson, C. & Metzger, B. Internal Funding for Faculty Allocation (contract) of BCBA to fulfill supervision and teaching responsibilities for LIDA program. Graduate Studies Allocation to LLSP. **Funded, \$45,000,** Academic Year, 2008-2009.

Spencer, V. & **Simpson, C.** November 1, 2007. *Peer Tutoring: Academic Interventions for Students with Emotional/Behavioral Disorders.* 2008 Enhancement Grant for research. Funding Denied.

Faculty Enrichment Grant: \$800.00 to attend The Grant Institute: Grants 101 3-Day Workshop in San Antonio, Texas. February 12-14, 2007. **Funded**

Simpson, C. & Price, D. 2006. *Conversations with Minority Special Education and Reading Practitioners Regarding Doctoral Education and Academia*. Research Enhancement Grant, not funded, March 2006.

Simpson, C. & Price, P. 2005. *Perceptions of Minority Special Education and Reading Practitioners Regarding Doctoral Education and Academia*. Research Enhancement Grant, not funded, March 2005.

Wegman, S., Polinic, B., Miller, M., Nabors, D., Simpson, C. & Higgins, B. 2003. *Characteristics and Factors that influence teachers to remain in the profession*. Research Enhancement Grant, not funded, March 7, 2003.

Additional Funding Sources

Simpson, C. 2009. **Secured \$3,000.00** from Region VI service center to secure keynote speaker for 5th Student Council for Exceptional Children Annual Conference and Recruiting Event. Finances enabled special education program to invite Dr. Rick Lavoie. Profits apply directly to student organization.

Simpson, C. 2008. Secured **\$3,000.00** from Region VI Service Center for keynote speaker for 4th Annual Student Council for Exceptional Children Conference. Profits apply directly to student organization.

Simpson, C. 2007. Secured **\$1,500.00** from Region VI Service Center for keynote speaker for 3rd Annual Student Council for Exceptional Children Conference. Profits used directly for travel, transportation and registration for students to attend Council for Exceptional Children's International Conference in KY.

Simpson, C. *Pre-Kindergarten Curriculum study of Texas State adopted curriculum*. 2005. This research project was a collaborative effort with Region VI Service Center. Involved qualitative data analysis from a compilation of over 200 survey instruments. Data analyzed through SPSS statistical software package. 72% return rate. Purpose to determine training needs and inclusion experience of current Pre-kindergarten teachers in Texas. Project supported by funding provided by Region VI Service Center. **\$350.00**

Simpson, C. 2005. Secured **\$5,000.00** seed money for funding conference for student organization from Region VI Education Service Center. Conference generated a profit of **\$9,400.00** for Sam Houston student organization.

Simpson, C. & Lynch, S. *Assessment Personnel Needs Analysis*. 2005. Region VI service area. Research project focus to identify needs of assessment personnel in Region VI area in relation to in-service training. 96% return rate. Project supported by funds provided by Region VI Service Center **\$300.00**

Simpson, C. 2005. Corporate Funding- Secured **\$1,500.00** in assets from Lakeshore Learning Materials for additional materials to support the development of a play-based assessment room in the TEC Building.

Peer-Review Presentations

National/International

Simpson, C., Chair, 2009, "Expanding the Social Reinforcer Repertoire of Young Children with Autism". Symposium presented at 2009 ABAI Annual Convention Program. Phoenix, AZ, May 24, 2009

Simpson, C., 2009, "Developing Leadership: Faculty Advisor Roundtable." Council for Exceptional Children 2009 Convention and Expo, Seattle, WA., April 3, 2009.

Spencer, V. & **Simpson, C.** 2009, "College Planning for Students with Disabilities." Council for Exceptional Children 2009 Convention and Expo. Seattle, WA., April 2, 2009.

Metzger, B. & **Simpson, C.**, 2008, "Lessons Learned on the Tenure Track." Symposium presented at 34th Annual Convention of Association for Behavioral Analysis International. Chicago, IL, May 24, 2008.

Lacey, K., Von Schmidt, P., Crochet, A., Eno, M., Rodriguez, D., William, J., **Simpson, C.** & Spencer, V., 2008, "Student-Led Conferences: Providing Community Outreach and Fundraising." Council for Exceptional Children Annual Convention and Expo, Boston, MA, April 4, 2008

Simpson, C., Spencer, V., Gaus, M., & Williams, J., 2008, "The First Year College Experience: Survival for Students with Disabilities." Council for Exceptional Children Annual Convention and Expo, Boston, MA, April 5, 2008

Lynch, S., Spencer, V. & **Simpson, C.**, 2007, "Incorporating Technology in Written Expression Instruction for Children with Autism." International Council for Children with Behavioral Disorders, Dallas, TX, October 7, 2007

Simpson, C., Spencer, V., Daniels, J. & Carter, B., 2007, "Can Lambs and Wolves Co-Exist? How educators can identify effective bullying prevention programs." Council for Exceptional Children Annual Conference, Louisville, KY, April 20, 2007

Simpson, C., McGuire, M. & Gaus, M., 2007, "Adapting Materials: Creating Play Opportunities in the Inclusive Classroom." National Headstart 34th Annual Training Conference, San Antonio, TX, April 17, 2007

McGuire, M., **Simpson, C.** & Gaus, M., 2007, "Creating Math and Science Concepts Through Effective Literacy Strategies." National Headstart 34th Annual Training Conference, San Antonio, TX, April 17, 2007

Simpson, C., McGuire, M. & Gaus, M., 2007, "Materials Matter: Adapting learning materials to meet the needs of all students in the inclusive classroom." Head Start Association, Atlanta, GA, February 7, 2007

McGuire, M., **Simpson, C.**, Nabors, D., & Richardson, R., 2006, "PK Goes to College." National Association of Early Childhood Teacher Educators Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA, November 8, 2006

Price, D., Robbins, S., **Simpson, C.** & McGuire, M., 2006, "Using Social Stories to Shape Literacy Behaviors." 50th Annual Conference College Reading Association, Pittsburg, PA, October 27, 2006

Price, D., Robbins, M. Lynch, S., **Simpson, C.** & McGuire, M., 2006, "Creating and Using Social Stories to Modify and Reinforce Literacy Behaviors in the Classroom." 51st Annual Conference of the International Reading Association, Chicago, IL, May 1, 2006

McGuire, M, Sanders, J., & **Simpson, C.**, 2006, "Embracing Student Lead ACEI Organizations in a Culturally Diverse Society." Association Childhood Educators International, San Antonio, TX, April 14, 2006

McGuire, M., **Simpson, C.** & McGuire, S., 2005, "Invention Convention: Hands-on problem solving." Symposium presented at the meeting of the National Association for the Education of Young Children, Washington, DC, December 2005

Simpson, C., McGuire, M. & Gaus, M., 2005, "Let's play: Adapting and modifying toys for children with special need." Symposium presented at the meeting of the National Association for the Education of Young Children, Washington, DC, December 2005

Simpson, C. , McGuire, M. & Lynch, S., 2005, "Preschool Inclusion." National Headstart Conference. Orlando, FL, May 2005

McGuire, M. & **Simpson, C.**, 2005, "Invention Convention: Problem Solving for School Age Children." National After-school Association Annual Conference, San Antonio, TX, February 2005

McGuire, M. & **Simpson, C.**, 2004, "Pre-service Student/Teacher Organizations: Strategies for developing a vibrant program." 2004 National Association for the Education of Young Children Annual Conference, Anaheim, CA, November 2004

Swicegood, P., Lynch, S., Adams, P. & **Simpson, C.**, 2004, "Standardized Testing: Linking Findings to Intervention." Council for Educational Diagnostic Services: Division of Council for Exceptional Children. Annual Conference: Accommodations, Accountability, and Assessment, San Antonio, TX, October 2004

Adams, P., Higgins, B., Miller, M., Nabors, D., Price, D., Robbins, M., **Simpson, C.**, Swicegood, P., Wegmann, S., Polinick, B. & Lynch, S., 2003, "Characteristics and Factors that Influence Teachers to Remain in the Teaching Profession." College Reading Association 47th Annual Conference. Embracing Diversity: Sending Literacy to New Heights, Corpus Christi, TX, October 2004

Simpson, C. & Nabors, D., 2003, "Recruiting and Keeping Local Association for the Education of Young Children Members." National Association for the Education of Young Children's 12th Annual National Institute for Early Childhood Professional Development: Investing today for tomorrow's children, Portland, OR, June 2003

Regional

McGuire, M., Nabors, D., & **Simpson, C.**, 2007, "Going to College: PK Style." Once Upon a Time 11th Annual Reading Conference, Corpus Christi, TX, March 30, 2007

McGuire, M. & **Simpson, C.**, 2005, "Basic Training 101: Train our Trainer." 2005 Southern Early Childhood Association Annual Conference, Dallas, TX, March 2005

Simpson, C. & Lasater, M., 2000, "Lifelines Trainer of Trainers." LR Consulting, Portland, OR, March 2000

State/Local

Gaus, M., **Simpson, C.**, & McGuire, M. , 2009, "Adaptations in Music and Physical Education". Texas Association for the Education of Young Children State Conference, September, 2009. Galveston, TX.

Simpson, C. & Kwiatek, R. , 2009, " An Editors Voice: Writing for The Dialog: Tips and Strategies for Successful Publications." Houston Metropolitan Educational Diagnosticians Association Annual Conference, Houston, TX. November 5, 2009.

McGuire, M. & **Simpson, C.**, 2008, "Writing for Early Years: The Journal of the Texas Association for the Education of Young Children." Texas Association for the Education of Young Children 44th Annual Conference, Corpus Christi, TX, October 17, 2008.

Gaus, M., **Simpson, C.**, & McGuire, M. 2008, " Promoting Gross Motor Activities in Young Children with Disabilities." Texas Association for the Education of Young Children." Texas Association for the Education of Young Children 44th Annual Conference, Corpus Christi, TX, October 16, 2008.

Simpson, C., Gaus, M., Williams, J., Eno, M., Von Schmidt, P., & Herron, K., 2008, "Professional Development: Providing a SERVICE not a product." Texas Council for Exceptional Children Annual Conference, Irving, TX, June 20, 2008

Simpson, C., Hausman, R., & Lynch, S., 2008, "The right start: A training specifically designed for educational diagnosticians new to the field." Texas Educational Diagnostician Association Annual Conference, Waco, TX, April 17, 2008.

Lynch, S. & **Simpson, C.**, 2007, "Comprehensive Reading Evaluation." Houston Metropolitan Chapter of the Texas Educational Diagnosticians' Association Annual Conference, Houston, TX, November 2, 2007

Mc Guire, M. & **Simpson, C.** , 2007, "Writing For Early Years: The Journal of the Texas Association for the Education of Young Children." 43rd Annual Texas Association for the Education of Young Children Conference, Ft. Worth, TX, October 13, 2007

Simpson, C., McGuire, M, & Gaus, M., 2007, "Modifying Materials and Toys to Include All Children." 43rd Annual Texas Association for the Education of Young Children Conference, Ft. Worth, TX, October 13, 2007

Williams, J., Lacy, K., Crochet, A., Robinson, D. & **Simpson, C.**, 2007, "Students Speak Out: An Insiders Guide to the College of Education". Celebration of Teaching, Huntsville, TX, September 28, 2007

Lynch, S. & **Simpson, C.**, 2007, "Application of the Bayley-3 and AIMS-Web. Test Fair Instrument." Texas Professional Educational Diagnosticians 3rd Annual In the Round. Austin, TX, June 26, 2007

Williams, J., **Simpson, C.**, Crochet, A., Eno, M., Nesham, D., & Swicegood, P., 2007, "A New Look at Fundraising: The How- To's of Hosting a Student Conference." Texas Council for Exceptional Children, Houston, TX, June 23, 2007

Simpson, C. & Lynch, S., 2007, "Ethical Decision Making: An interactive problem solving session." Texas Educational Diagnostician Association Annual Conference, El Paso, TX, February 21, 2007

Simpson, C. & Lynch, S., 2006, "CHC Theory 101." Houston Area Metropolitan Chapter of Texas Educational Diagnostician Association Conference, Houston, TX, November 4, 2006

Simpson, C. & Williams, J., 2006, "What Keeps Me Going: A look at Aspergers Syndrome from a personal perspective." Texas Association for the Education of Young Children Annual Conference, Galveston, TX, October 7, 2006

McGuire, M., Nabors, D., Richardson, R., **Simpson, C.**, 2006, "Ants On Parade." Texas Association for the Education of Young Children Annual Conference, Galveston, TX, October 6, 2006

McGuire, M. & **Simpson, C.**, 2006, "Center for Improving the Readiness for Children and Education Preschool Early Language and Literacy 2- Day Training Component." University of Texas Health Science Center TEEM grant Trainings, Huntsville, TX, September 12-13, 2006

Simpson, C., 2006, "Ethical Decision Making for Educational Diagnosticians." Texas Educational Diagnostician Association Annual Conference- Leadership Track, South Padre, TX, April 21, 2006

Nabors, D. & **Simpson, C.**, 2006, "Your Rights and Chapter 37." Joan Proudly Winter Conference, Huntsville, TX, March 4, 2006

Nabors, D.K. & **Simpson, C.**, 2006, "What are the Benefits of Belonging to a Professional Organization?" Texas State Teachers Association – Student Program meeting at Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX, February 6, 2006

Simpson, C., 2006, "Looking Ahead at Public Policy Issues." Texas Association of College Teachers Eastern Region Conference, Huntsville, TX, February 2006

Lynch, S. & **Simpson, C.**, 2005, "Power Testing: Using Tests to Guide Intervention." HouMet Fall Conference: What's the big IDEA?" Metropolitan Chapter of the Texas Educational Diagnostician Association, Houston, Texas, November 2005

Simpson, C. & McGuire, M., 2005, "Hop on Board the Training Express: Quick and Creative Ideas to keep your staff development moving and on the right track." Children the Music of Our Hearts, Texas Association for the Education of Young Children State Conference. Texas Association for the Education of Young Children, Austin, TX, October 2005

Simpson, C. & McGuire, M., 2005, "Let the Good Times Roll: Actively involving adult learners in staff development." Children the Music of Our Hearts, Texas Association for the Education of Young Children State Conference. Texas Association for the Education of Young Children, Austin, TX, October 2005

Simpson, C. & McGuire, M., 2005, " Impact Zone: TOT for the Intermediate Level Trainer." HAAEYC Fall Leadership Forum and Conference. Houston Association for the Education of Young Children, Houston, TX, September 2005

Simpson, C., Plunkett, M., Priest, J., Swicegood, P. & Adams, P., 2005, "From 3 to 103 and Still on the Go: An examination of student chapter development." Texas Council for Exceptional Children 2005 Annual Conference: Informing Practice, Fulfilling Promises: Familiar Paths and New Direction in Special Education, Houston, TX, June 2005

Lynch, S., & **Simpson, C.**, 2005, "Interpreting the WISC-IV." Sam Houston Council for Exceptional Children Annual Conference, Huntsville, TX, April 2005

Lynch, S. & **Simpson, C.**, 2005, "Educational Diagnostician 101: What they didn't teach you in graduate school." Texas Educational Diagnostician Association Annual Conference, San Antonio, TX, February 2005

Simpson, C., 2005, "Budget Processing." Texas Association for the Education of Young Children Advocacy and Leadership Institute, Austin, TX, February 2005

Simpson, C. & Lynch, S., 2005, "Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act 2004: Impact on the changing role of the educational diagnostician." HouMet: A division of the Texas Educational Diagnostician Association Special Interest Session, Houston, TX, January 2005

Nabors, D. K. & **Simpson, C.**, 2004, "Math Manipulatives for Young Children." Sam Houston Association for Young Children Winter Meeting, Huntsville, TX, December 2, 2004

Lynch, S. & **Simpson, C.**, 2004, "Changing Role of the Educational Diagnostician." HouMet: a division of the Texas Educational Diagnostician Association Annual Conference. Houston, TX, November 2004

Simpson, C. & Nabors, D., 2004, "Guiding Young Children's Behavior." Texas Association for the Education of Young Children 40th Annual Conference: through the Eyes of A Child, Arlington, TX, October, 2004

Swicegood, P., Lynch, S., & **Simpson, C.**, 2004, "Standardized Testing: Instructional Implications for the Classroom." Exemplary Training + Implementation + Student Preparation=Successful Adult Life. Texas Council For Exceptional Children Annual Conference, Houston, TX, June 2004

Simpson, C. & Backlery, J., 2004, "On- Line Instruction: Interest Session." Higher Education Collaborative, Austin, TX, May 2004

Nabors, D. K. & **Simpson, C.**, 2004, "Professional Development: Why should you belong to a professional organization?" Planning Committee for Education Student Programs, Tomball Community College, Tomball, TX, April 29, 2004

Nabors, D. K. & **Simpson, C. G.**, 2004, "Transferring to SHSU for a Degree in Academic Studies." Education students and faculty at Tomball Community College, Tomball , TX, April 29, 2004

Lynch, S.A. & **Simpson, C.G.**, 2004, "Identification of Learning Disabilities: Problems, Proposals, and Plans." Texas Educational Diagnosticians Association Annual Conference , Corpus Christi, TX, March 2004

McGuire, M. & **Simpson, C.**, 2004, "How to Hire and Fire Without Being Sued." Moving and Grooving! Central Texas Association for the Education of Young Children Spring Conference: Director's Track, Killeen, TX, March 2004

Simpson, C. & McGuire, M., 2004, "When I Grow Up I Want To Be A.....Trainer." Moving and Grooving! Central Texas Association for the Education of Young Children Spring Conference: Trainer's Track, Killeen, TX, March 2004

Simpson, C., 2004, "Guiding Young Children's Behavior Through Classroom Management and Transition Activities." KinderCare, Inc. Staff Development Seminar, Spring, TX, January 24, 2004

Nabors, D. & **Simpson, C.**, 2004, "Surviving the Jungle: Classroom management for teachers of young children." Harris County Department of Education Eighteenth Annual Early Childhood Winter Conference, Houston, TX, January 2004

Plunckett, M. & **Simpson, C.**, 2003, "Silly Snakes and Summertime Fun!" 2003 Sam Houston Association for the Education of Young Children Conference, Huntsville, TX, November 2003

Simpson, C. & Adams, P., 2003, "TExES Educational Diagnostician Certification Review." Sam Houston State University, The Woodlands, TX, October 2003

Simpson, C. & Nabors, D., 2003, "Toys to Make and Take: Easy to make toys for infants and toddlers." 2003 Texas Association for the Education of Young Children Annual Conference: Making A Difference, Corpus Christi, TX, October 2003

Simpson, C., Nabors, D., McGuire, M. & Catalano, G., 2003, "It Doesn't Have To Be a Jungle Out There. Train Our Trainer." Strong Foundations: Brighter Futures 2003 Houston Area Association for the Education of Young Children Fall Conference, Houston, TX, September 2003

Nabors, D. & **Simpson, C.**, 2003, "A Writing Classroom: How to make writing meaningful and fun." Strong Foundations: Brighter Futures 2003 Houston Area Association for the Education of Young Children Fall Conference, Houston, TX, September 2003

Adams, P., **Simpson, C.** & Swicegood, P., 2003, "Portfolios for Teachers and Diagnosticians." 23rd Annual Texas Council for Exceptional Children Conference: Changing students, changing practices, Austin, TX, June 2003

Simpson C. & Nabors, D., 2003, "Toys For Tots!" Houston Area Association for The Education of Young Children 2003 Spring Conference: Living, learning, teaching in the key of life, Houston, TX, April 2003

Simpson C. & Nabors, D., 2003, "Easy, Practical, Inexpensive Ways to Modify Your Classroom to Meet the Needs of All Children!" Houston Area Association for The Education of Young Children 2003 Spring Conference: Living, learning, teaching in the key of life, Houston, TX, April 2003

McGuire, M., **Simpson, C.** & Webb, J., 2002, "Mirror, Mirror On the Wall: Am I a good trainer after all? Train The Trainer." Texas Association for the Education of Young Children Fall Conference, El Paso, TX, October 2002

McGuire, M., Webb, J. & **Simpson, C.**, 2002, "Mirror, Mirror: Am I a good trainer and how do I rate? Train The Trainer." Houston Area Association for the Education of Young Children Fall Conference, Houston, TX, September 2002

Barerra J. & **Simpson, C.**, 2002, "Communicating Across Cultures." Sam Houston Association of the Education of Young Children. Huntsville, TX, April 2002

McGuire, M., **Simpson, C.**, & Sower, J., 2001, "Make It and Take It: Instructional Activities for Young Children." Texas Association for the Education of Young Children, Galveston, TX, September 2001

McGuire, M. & **Simpson, C.**, 2001, "Staff Motivation." Texas Association for the Education of Young Children, Galveston, TX, September 2001

Simpson, C. & Catlett, S., 2001, "Linking Assessment to Instruction." Early Childhood Summer Institute 2001: State Level Training for Preschool Educators, Dallas, TX, June 2001

Simpson, C., 2001, "Functional Play-based Evaluations." Early Childhood Summer Institute 2001: State Level Training for Preschool Educators, Dallas, TX, June 2001

Simpson, C., 2001, "Lifelines: Defining the Role of the ParaEducator." Pearland ISD LRC Para-educator Staff Development, Pearland, TX, June 2001

Simpson, C., 2001, "Celebrating Similarities: Students with Disabilities." Pearland ISD Para-educator Staff Development, Pearland, TX, June 2001

Simpson, C., 2001, "Welcome to the Real World/Leaving No Child Behind." Designated Vendor Inclusion Forum Initiatives for Children, Houston, TX, March 2001

Simpson, C., 2000, "Managing Challenging Behaviors in the Inclusive Setting." Initiatives for Children, Houston, TX, March 2000

Swicegood, P., Mitchell, V., & **Simpson, C.**, 2000, "Critical Assessment Linkages: Does the Solution Match the Problem?" Texas Council for Exceptional Children Annual Conference, Austin, TX, March 2000

Simpson, C., 2000, "Para-Educators Lifelines in the Classroom: Behavior Improvement Strategies." Council for Exceptional Children, Huntsville, TX, February 2000

Simpson, C., 2000, "Instructional Strategies: ParaEducators in the Classroom." Region V ParaEducator Training Beaumont , TX, January 2000

Simpson, C. , 1999, "Melding: Partner Teacher Training." Ludlow Public Schools District Wide Inservice Training, Ludlow, MA, December 1999

Simpson, C., 1999, "Least Restrictive Environment." Educational Service Center VIII Regional Inservice Training, Mt. Pleasant, TX, November 1999

Simpson, C., 1999, "Teaming For Success." Region V ParaEducator Staff Development, Beaumont, TX, September 1999

Simpson, C., 1999, "Celebrating Similarities Children with Disabilities." Arlington ISD Staff Development, Arlington, TX, August 1999

Simpson, C., 1999, "ParaEducators Lifelines in the Classroom: Defining the Role of the ParaEducator." Education Service Center Staff Development, Region V, Beaumont, TX, May 1999

Simpson, C., 1999, "ParaEducators Lifelines in the Classroom: Supporting the Instructional Process." Education Service Center Staff Development, Region V. Beaumont, TX, January 2008

Simpson, C., 1998, "Behavior Improvement Strategies." Port Neches ISD District Wide Staff Development, Port Neches, TX, October 1998

Simpson, C., 1998, "Behavior Improvement Strategies." Manor ISD Staff Development, Manor, TX, August 1998

Simpson, C., 1998, "Melding." Regional ParaEducator Conference. Educational Service Center, Region XI. Fort Worth, TX, August 1998

Simpson, C., 1998, "The IEP Process: The Role of the ParaEducator." Arlington ISD ParaEducator Training, Arlington, TX, August 1998

Fitzgerald, M., Johnson, M., Lasater, M., & **Simpson, C.**, 1998, "Consultation and Evaluation of Lifelines in the Classroom Trainer of Trainer." LR Consulting ParaEducator Workshops, Houston, TX, June 1998

Simpson, C., 1998, "Council for Exceptional Children Make and Take." Sam Houston Student Council for Exceptional Children, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX, May 1998

Simpson, C. & Boughton, M., 1998, "Promoting Disability Awareness Among Peers." Young Child Winter Conference, Huntsville, TX, February 1998

Work or Professional Experiences

2008- 2009 Associate Professor of Special Education, Special Education Program
Coordinator/Language Literacy and Special Populations Graduate Program Coordinator,
Sam Houston State University

- Teach Graduate and Undergraduate Courses, both online, hybrid, and traditional
- Sustain an open door policy for student advising
- Emphasize writing and communication skills through written assignments, classroom discussions, and oral presentations of current issues and practices

- Development of Program Area Strategic Plan
- Develop short and long-term goals for the SPD program area
- Review curriculum/standards alignment within program area
- Serve on Doctoral Dissertation Committees
- Serve and Chair Thesis Committees
- Develop and align curriculum with NCATE standards
- Oversee program area TK20 implementation and usage
- Graduate Coordinator/Advisor
 - Graduate student advisement and record management
 - Assist students with admission
 - Coordinate graduate student programming
 - Visit with prospective students
 - Review Graduate Applications for Approval
 - Declaration and maintenance of degree plans
 - Compile and maintain the Special Education Graduate Handbook for M.Ed. and Educational Diagnostician Program
 - Program Recruitment and Retention
 - Correspond with Prospective Students
 - Procurement of Promotional Items
 - Assist in development and Program Recruitment Letters
 - Assist in development of Program Informational Brochures
 - Serve as liaison between LLSP and COE recruiting committees
- NCATE Graduate Council for Exceptional Children SPA report writer
- Co- Coordinate Educational Diagnostician Program/Cohorts
- Conduct Program Area Meetings
- Coordinate SACS data/reporting
- Interview and Extend Contracts to Program Area Adjunct Faculty

2005–2008, Special Education Program Coordinator/Assistant Professor of Special Education, Sam Houston State University

2003-2005, Assistant Professor of Special Education, Sam Houston State University

1992-2002, Lecturer in Special Education/Early Childhood, Sam Houston State University

1998-2002, Educational Consultant/Independent Evaluator

1998-2000, Executive Director, Growing Together, Inc.

1996-1998, Educational Diagnostician, Spring Independent School District

1993-1996, PK/ PPCD Teacher, Conroe Independent School District

1992-1993, Adaptive Behavior Teacher, Alief Independent School District

Honors and Awards

2009 Wilma Jo Bush Award, Texas Educational Diagnostician Association

2008 Council For Exceptional Children, Susan Phillips Gorin Award

2007 Judges Selection Award for the publication: Warner, W. Lynch, S. Nabors, D, Simpson, C. (2007). *Inclusive Lesson Plans Throughout the Year*. Beltsville, MD: Gryphon House, Inc.

2007 Early Childhood News Directors' choice award for the publication: Warner, W. Lynch, S., Nabors, D, Simpson, C. (2007). *Inclusive Lesson Plans Throughout the Year*. Beltsville, MD: Gryphon House, Inc.

2007 Texas Association for the Education of Young Children, Susan Hargrave Trainer of the Year

2007 Texas Council for Exceptional Children, Kathleen Varner Service Award

2007 Finalist: Council for Exceptional Children, Susan Phillips Gorin Award

2006 Center for Improving the Readiness for Children and Education Certified National Trainer

2005 Finalist: College of Education Outstanding Teaching Award

2004 Finalist: College of Education Outstanding Teaching Award

Other Competencies

Editor

Early Years: Journal of the Texas Association for the Education of Young Children
The Dialog: Journal of the Texas Association of Educational Diagnosticians

Special Issue Editor

Academic Exchange Quarterly

Editorial Board

Dimensions of Early Childhood: Journal of the Southern Association for the Education of Young Children

Ad Hoc Reviewer

Academic Exchange Quarterly

Book Reviews

Sprung, B., Froschl, M. & Hinitz, B. (2005) *The Anti-Bullying and Teasing Book for Preschool Classrooms*. Gryphon House: MD.

Textbook Reviewer

Friend, M. (2006). IDEA 2004 Update Edition. Special Education Contemporary Perspectives for School Professionals. Pearson Allyn and Bacon: MA

Sattler, J. & Dumont, R. (2005). Assessment of Children: WISC-IV and WPPSI-III Supplement: Sattler Publishing: CA.

Friend, M. (2005). IDEA 2004 Special Education Contemporary Perspectives for School Professionals. Pearson Allyn and Bacon: MA

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Simpson, C. & McGuire, M. (2005). *Are you ready? Supporting children in an uncertain world.*http://www.southernearlychildhood.org/curriculum_ideas/files/Are_You_Ready_Supporting_Children_in_an_Undertain_World.pdf

Simpson, C. (July/August/September, 2005). Where do we go from here? Looking ahead to Public Policy Issues. Guest Editorial. *Texas Association of College Teachers Quarterly e-bulletin*.

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McGuire, M. & **Simpson, C.** (2002) Strategies for State Affiliates: Now that they've joined, how do we keep them? *Southern Early Childhood Association Reporter*. November, 8

Simpson, Cynthia G. (2002) Factors influencing the recruitment and retention of educational diagnosticians as perceived by special education directors in Texas. Ph.D. dissertation, Texas A&M University, United States -- Texas. Retrieved March 27, 2008, from ProQuest Digital Dissertations database. (Publication No. AAT 3072535).

McGuire, M. & **Simpson, C.** (2001) Your state affiliate: Recruiting to keep your organization vibrant and dynamic. *Southern Early Childhood Association Reporter*. December, 6

Research Projects

Spencer, V., Lynch, S. & **Simpson, C.** 2007. *The use of technology in writing instruction for children with autism*. The purpose of the study is to determine if instruction with the use of children's software, Kidspiration result in improved written expression for children with Autism. Human subjects approval – approved. Implementing pilot study.

Lynch, S. A. & **Simpson, C.G.** 2007. The Use of Tangible Reinforcers As Accommodations in the Assessment of Achievement of Children with Autism. IRB approval- approved. Study in progress.

Simpson, C. & Lynch, S. *Evaluation and Interpretation of Ethical Concerns in the Field of Assessment Personnel*. 2006. Collaborative effort with Texas Educational Diagnostician Association. Involved qualitative data analysis from a compilation of 377 survey instruments. Data analyzed through SPSS software package. 90% return rate. Purpose of the study was to identify ethical dilemmas faced by educational diagnosticians in daily work responsibilities.

Simpson, C. 2003-2005. Three-year participation in University of Texas Higher Education Collaboration - Obtained instructional materials and other resources for special education and early childhood courses