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### **Degrees Earned**

Ph.D., Educational Psychology, *Special Education Leadership and Interagency Collaboration (SELIC) Program*, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas, May 2009.

M. Ed., Special Education, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas, December 1999.

B. A., Academic Studies, summa cum laude, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas, December 1993.

### **Professional Licensure and Certifications**

Elementary Self-Contained (Grades 1-8)  
Elementary Bilingual/ESL (Grades 1-8)  
Generic Special Education (Grades PK-12)  
Educational Diagnostician (Grades PK-12)

### **Dissertation**

Cole, C.V. (2009). *Preschool English Language Learners with Disabilities: A Comparison of Recommended and Actual Language of Instruction Practices*. Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas.

### **Peer-Review Publications and Artistic Performances/Exhibitions**

#### **Articles**

Cole, C.V. (2014). *Special Education Evaluations of English Language Learners: Determining Language Proficiency*. Presented for publication, The DiaLog.

Stough, L., Herzberg, T., Cole, C. V., Harvey, K., Sharp, A., & Mahadevan, L. (Fall 2004). *Alternative Certification of Special Educators of Students with Significant Disabilities*. Presented for publication, Council for Exceptional Children.

Cole, C. V. (April 10, 2003). *Three Latino Mothers and the Special Education Process: A Qualitative Study*.

## Chapters

Rincon, M.Y. and Cole, C.V. (2014), Light or darkness? In Kelman, I & Stough, L. (Eds.) *(Dis)abilities and disasters (in press)*. Sterling: Kumarian Press.

## Research Monographs and Technical Reports

*Multimedia Projects for Bilingual Students*. Conroe Independent School District, 1996.

*Dropout Rates in Texas*. Collaborated with Linda E. Covington, Director of Research & Grant Acquisitions, White Settlement ISD.

## Peer-Review Presentations/Posters

Cole, C.V. (September 2013). *Top 10 Things Teachers of English Language Learners Should Know About Special Education*. Region 4 Bilingual/ESL Conference, Houston, Texas.

Lynch, S. & Cole, C.V. (August 2013). *Transdisciplinary Play Based Assessment*. Inservice Training, Houston Independent School District, Houston, Texas.

Cole, C.V. (August 2013). *Second Language Acquisition and Assessment of Language Proficiency*. Inservice Training, Klein Independent School District, Houston, Texas.

Cole, C.V. (September 2012). *English Language Learners (ELLs) and Special Education*. Region 4 Bilingual/ESL Conference, Houston, Texas

Cole, C.V. (February 3, 2011). *Bridging Languages: The Role of Interpreters*. Inservice, Clear Creek Independent School District, Houston, Texas

Cole, C.V., Ilufi, A., & Boyrie, R. (January 29, 2011). *Catching Humpty Dumpty Before He Falls: Identifying Young English Language Learners (ELLs) with Special Needs*. Harris County Department of Education (HCDE) Early Childhood Winter Conference, Houston, Texas

Cole, C.V. (November 18-20, 2010). *Response to Intervention (RtI) : Cultural and Linguistic Issues for English Language Learners*. Presentation, HouMet Fall Conference, The Woodlands, Texas

Cole, C.V., Rangel, C. & Boyrie, R. (September 10 & 24, 2010). *Spanish Literacy for Bilingual Teachers*. Training, Tomball Independent School District, Tomball, Texas

Cole, C.V. (April 2010). *English Language Learners and Special Education*. Presentation, Sam Houston State University, University Center, The Woodlands, Texas.

Cole, C.V. (July 2009). *Preschool ELLs with Disabilities: Recommended and Actual Practices*. American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, AAIDD Texas Chapter, 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention, Corpus Christi, Texas

- Cole, C.V. (April 2009). *English Language Learners and Special Education Evaluations*. Presentation, St. Thomas University, Houston, Texas.
- Cole, C. V. (June 2008). *Nonverbal testing for ELL students*. Presentation, Texas Professional Educational Diagnosticians Association (TPED) In the Round Conference, Austin, Texas.
- Cole, C. V. (August 2006). *English language learners in special education: What educators need to know*. Inservice, Madisonville Independent School District, Madisonville, Texas.
- Cole, C. V. (July 2006). *English language learners in special education: What diagnosticians need to know*. Presentation, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas.
- Cole, C. V. & Shane, C. (June 2006). *Intervention and strategies for English language learners in special education*. Presentation, Texas Professional Educational Diagnosticians Association (TPED) In the Round Conference, Austin, Texas.
- Cole, C. V. & Shane, C. (April 2006). *English Language Learners at Risk in Special Education*. Presentation, SCEC 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Spring Conference, Huntsville, Texas.
- Cole, C. V. (February 2006). *English Language Learners at Risk in Special Education*. Presentation, The University Center, The Woodlands, Texas.
- Cole, C. V. & Shane, C. (November 2005). *English Language Learners at Risk in Special Education*. Presentation, HouMet Fall Conference, Wyndham Hotel, Houston, Texas.
- Cole, C. V. (June 2005). *Evaluation of English Language Learners. What Every Diagnostician Needs to Know*. Presentation, Texas Professional Educational Diagnosticians Association (TPED) In the Round Conference, Austin, Texas.
- Cole, C. V. (June 2005). *English Language Learners and the Psychoeducational Process*. Presentation, The University Center, The Woodlands, Texas.
- Cole, C. V. (April 2005). *English Language Learners and the Psychoeducational Evaluation Process*. Presentation, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas.
- Cole, C. V. & Diamante, M. (March 2005). *Testing Cognitive Academic Language Proficiency in English Language Learners*. Presentation, Texas A&M University, University Center, The Woodlands, Texas.
- Stough, L., Herzberg, T., Cole, C. V., Harvey, K., Sharp, A., & Mahadevan, L. (Fall 2004). *Alternative Certification of Special Educators of Students with Significant Disabilities*. Presentation, Texas Teacher Education Conference, Sponsored by CSOTT, Consortium of State Organizations for Texas Teacher Education, Galveston, Texas.
- Parrish, L., Juntune, J., & Cole, C. V. (January 24, 2004). *Panel and Interest Sessions on Special Needs, Gifted and Talented, and Limited English Proficient Students*. Midwinter Professional Development Conference for Family and Consumer Sciences Teachers, Round Rock, Texas.

- Cole, C. V. (May 1 & 2, 2003). *Training of Bilingual Interpreters for Special Education*. Conroe Independent School District, Conroe, Texas.
- Cole, C. V. (April 10, 2003). *Three Latino Mothers and the Special Education Process: A Qualitative Study*. Presentation, Council for Exceptional Children 2003 Annual Convention and Expo, Seattle, Washington.
- Cole, C. V. (February 12 & March 19, 2003). *Best Practices for the Evaluation of English Language Learners*. Presentation, Speech and Language Pathologists, Conroe Independent School District, Conroe, Texas.
- Cole, C. V. (February 7, 2003). *Three Latino Mothers and the Special Education Process: A Qualitative Study*. Presentation, Educational Research Exchange (ERE) Conference, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas.
- Cole, C. V. (March 4, 2002). *Assessment Solutions: Gifted and Talented and Special Education Second Language Learners*. In-service, Project COLME (Coalition of Language & Mathematics Education), Sam Houston State University and Title VII Bilingual Education Teachers and Personnel grant, University Center, The Woodlands, Texas.
- Cole, C. V. (January 10, 2002). *Assessment and Modification for Bilingual/ESL Special Needs Learners*. In-service, Project COLME (Coalition of Language & Mathematics Education), Sam Houston State University and Title VII Bilingual Education Teachers and Personnel Grant, University Center, The Woodlands, Texas.
- Cole, C. V. (June 2001). *Psychoeducational Evaluation of Bilingual Students*. Preservice Educational Diagnostician In-service, Sam Houston State University, University Center, The Woodlands, Texas.
- Cole, C. V. & Lawson, L. (April 2001). *Psychoeducational Evaluation of Bilingual Students*. Preservice Educational Diagnostician In-service, Sam Houston State University, University Center, The Woodlands, Texas.
- Cole, C. V. & Lawson, L. (1999-2001). *Universal Nonverbal Intelligence Test Training*. Educational Diagnostician In-service, Conroe Independent School District, Conroe, Texas.
- Cole, C. V., Lawson, L., & Neely, M. (October 2000). *Transdisciplinary Play Based Assessment*. Preservice Diagnostician In-service, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas.
- Cole, C. V. & Estrada, S. (October 1999). *Meeting the Needs of the Special Learner*. Texas Association for Bilingual Education Conference, Corpus Christi, Texas.
- Cole, C. V. & Lawson, L. (March 1999). *Bilingual Special Education*. Title I and Bilingual Education Collaborative, Sam Houston State University's Title VII Bilingual Education Teacher Training, Project UpBEATT, Sammons Elementary, Aldine Independent School District.
- Cole, C. V. (September 1998). *Assessment of Bilingual Special Education Students*. Preservice Educational Diagnostician In-service, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas.

Cole, C. V. & Estrada, S. (September 1997). *The Bilingual Special Learner*. Fourth Annual Conference on Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Populations, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas.

Cole, C. V. & Ortiz, S. (February 1997). *Multimedia Projects for Bilingual Students*. Preservice Teacher In-service, Sam Houston State University, Lamar Elementary, The Woodlands, Texas.

### **Work or Professional Experiences**

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|-------------------------------|---|
| Summer 2012 to<br>Summer 2013 | Adjunct Professor<br>Bilingual Educational Diagnostician Program Advisor<br>Department of Language, Literacy & Special Populations<br>Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas<br>Dept. Head: Dr. Melinda Miller   |
| 2001 to present               | Bilingual Special Education Program Consultant and Trainer<br>Bilingual Diagnostician Mentor<br>Conroe Independent School District<br>Tomball Independent School District<br>Huntsville Independent School District<br>Clear Creek Independent School District  |
| 2010 to present               | Trainer of Interpreters<br>Bilingual Special Education Program Consultant<br>Clear Creek Independent School District  |
| 2009 to present               | Trainer<br>Bilingual Exceptional Students: Early Intervention, Referral, and Assessment<br>(BEST ERA)   |
| 2008 to present               | Bilingual Special Education Program Consultant /Trainer<br>Bilingual Educational Diagnostician<br>Specialized Assessment and Consulting, LLC<br>Houston, Texas  |
| 2001 to present               | Bilingual Educational Diagnostician<br>Psychoeducational Evaluations of Bilingual Students<br>Grades PK – 12<br>Independent Consultant<br>Tomball, Montgomery, Willis, New Waverly, Huntsville,<br>Madisonville, Huffman, Crockett-Lovelady, Bryan,<br>Caldwell, Pasadena, Splendora, Magnolia, Spring Branch, Cy-Fair<br>Independent School Districts. La Amistad Love & Learning<br>Academy, etc. |
| Summer 2009-                  | Instructor  |

Spring 2009      Department of Language, Literacy & Special Populations  
Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas  
Dept. Head: Dr. Sharon Lynch

Summer 2006      Instructor  
Department of Educational Psychology  
Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas  
Dept. Head: Dr. Michael R. Benz

Fall 2005      Instructor  
Department of Educational Psychology  
Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas  
Dept. Head: Dr. Michael R. Benz

Spring 2004      Lecturer of Education  
Department of Language, Literacy and Special Populations  
Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas  
Chair: Dr. Mary E. Robbins

Fall, 2001      Graduate Assistant  
SPSY 657 – Bilingual Psychoeducational Assessment  
Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas  
Professor: Dr. Salvador Hector Ochoa

2001      Trainer  
Second Grade Teacher Reading Academy  
Region VI Educational Service Center, Huntsville, Texas  
Supervisor: Glenda Pitts

1998 – 2001      Bilingual Educational Diagnostician  
Psychoeducational Assessment of Bilingual Students  
Grades PK – 12  
Conroe Independent School District  
Supervisor: Dr. Randall Soffer

1997 – 1998      Bilingual Special Education Teacher  
District-wide, Itinerant, Grades PK – 12  
Conroe Independent School District, Texas  
Supervisor: Dr. Randall Soffer

1993 – 1997      Bilingual Teacher  
Second and Third Grades, Self-Contained  
Lamar Elementary  
Conroe Independent School District, Texas  
Supervisor: Betty Hollas

## **Honors and Awards**

2000-2006	Special Education Leadership and Interagency Collaboration Program Scholarship Recipient Texas A&M University
2000 – 2001	Texas Education Agency Promising Practice Award Transdisciplinary Play Based Assessment Group Conroe Independent School District
1999	High Pass on Comprehensive Examination Sam Houston State University
1995	UpBEATT Scholarship Recipient Sam Houston State University
1994 – 1995	Humanitarian of the Year Conroe Independent School District
1993	Excellence in Writing Award Sam Houston State University
1993	Graduated Summa Cum Laude Sam Houston State University

## **Other Competencies**

Advocate for families and children with disabilities  
Trainer for parents of children with disabilities  
ESL teacher to parents of children with disabilities  
Bilingual and bi-literate in English and Spanish  
Understand and speak some French