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Education

B.A. History and Government, Ohio Wesleyan University, 1967
M.Ed., Social Studies Education, University of Delaware, 1980
Ph.D., Curriculum and Instruction, University of Delaware, 1986

Employment

1984 - present	University of Delaware, Associate Director Center for Economic Education & Entrepreneurship
1974 - 1984	University of Delaware, Field Consultant Center for Economic Education
1971 - 1974	Wilmington Public Schools, Social Studies Teacher
1967 - 1970	Columbus, Ohio Public Schools, Social Studies Teacher

Professional Affiliation

National Association for Economic Educators, President, 1987-88, Secretary 1986-87, Executive Committee, 1986-1989, Publications Committee Chair, 1997, 1998, Awards Committee Co-Chair, 2016-2018
American Economic Association
Phi Delta Kappa, Delaware Research Chair, 2000-2005
National Council for the Social Studies
Middle States Council for the Social Studies, Conference Committee 2007
Delaware Council for the Social Studies
Social Studies Coalition of Delaware

Teaching

Undergraduate
Civics and Economics for the Elementary Teacher
Graduate
Economics for the Elementary Educator
Mini-Society
MAEEE Economic Education component
Economic Education Curricula

Awards

John C. Schramm Leadership Award, 2014

Savings Star Award from the Delaware Financial Literacy Institute, 2013

EIFLE (Excellence in Financial Literacy Education) Award for Bank At School, Children's Education Program of the Year in Saving and Investing from the Institute for Financial Literacy, 2013

Visiting Scholar, Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, 2010, 2011, 2012

The Patricia K. Elder International Award, 2010

Harry J. Carman Award for Outstanding Achievement and Professional Excellence in Social Studies, 2004

William Forbes Award, 2001

The Leon and Margaret Slocomb Professional Excellence Award, 2000

Superstars! In Education Award, Delaware State Chamber of Commerce, 1997

National Council on Economic Education Bessie B. Moore Service Award, 1994

Superstars! In Education Award, Delaware State Chamber of Commerce, 1994

Education Alumni Association Commitment of Education Award, 1992

DuPont Company's Environmental Respect Award, 1991

Publications: Refereed Journals and Contributions to Edited Volumes

"The Changing Landscape of K-12 Personal finance Education" with Mary Suiter in Jay Liebowitz (Ed), *Financial Literacy Education: Addressing Student, Business, and Government Needs*. 2016. Boca Raton, FL: Taylor & Francis Group.

"Work, Education, and Income: Economics and Financial Literacy in the Early Grades," *Social Studies and the Young Learner*, 28:1 (September/October 2015), 12-16 (with A. Hill)

"Exploring Human Capital with Primary Children: What We Learn Does Matter," *Social Studies and the Young Learner*, 27:1 (September/October 2014), 30-32 (with M. Suiter)

"The Features and Effectiveness of the Keys to Financial Success Curriculum," 2014 *International Review of Economics Education*, 16(1): 39-50. (with C. Asarta and A. Hill)

“How Are Productivity and Standard of Living Impacted by Technology?” in Kathy Swan and John Lee (Eds), *Teaching the College, Career, and Civic Life (C3) Framework: Exploring Inquiry-Based Instruction in Social Studies*. 2014. Maryland: National Council for the Social Studies. (with B. Emery)

“Status of K-12 Personal Finance Education in the United States,” *Journal of Consumer Education*, 28: 1-15 (with A. Hill)

“It’s Never Too Early for Economics Education,” *Social Studies and the Young Learner*, 22:3 (January/February 2010), 4-7 (with S. Evans)

“Teaching about Saving and Investing in the Elementary and Middle School Grades,” *Social Education*, 69:2 (March 2005), 92-95. (with M. Suiter)

“The Voluntary National Content Standards in Economics: From Standards to Classroom Implementation,” *Social Studies & the Young Learner*, 11:2 (November/December 1998), pp. 7-12. (with L. Engstrom)

"Voluntary Economics Content Standards for America’s Schools: Rationale and Development," *The Journal of Economic Education*, 29:2 (Spring 1998), pp.139-149.Spring 1998. (with J. Siegfried)

“The Case for Economics in the Elementary Classroom,” *The Region*, (December 1998), 39-43. (with M. Suiter)

"Economic Standards: A Guide for Curriculum Planners," *Social Education*, 61:6 (October 1997), pp. 324-327.

“What Should High School Graduates Know in Economics,” *The American Economic Review Papers and Proceedings*, 87:2 (1997), pp. 247-253. (with J. Siegfried)

"The Developmental Economic Education Program in Theory and Practice," In Bonnie Meszaros and Michael Watts (Eds.), *The International Journal of Social Education*, 8:3 (Winter 1994), pp. 153-163. (with D. Yoho and B. Underwood)

"DEEP" Across the State.” In W. Walstad and J. Soper (Ed.) *Effective Economic Education in the Schools*. Washington: DC: National Education Association, 1991, pp. 153-163. (with J. O’Neill)

"Innovative Programs in Economic Education," *Curriculum Review*, 26:2 (Nov./Dec.1986), pp. 21-24.

“Effects of Teachers’ Use of Objectives on Student Achievement in Social Studies,” *Theory and Research in Social Education*, 13:3 (Fall 1985), pp. 57-65. (with L. O’Brien and W. Pulliam)

“Media, Economics and the Social Studies,” *Social Education*. 43:1 (1979).

“It Works If ----,” *American Enterprise Notes*, 1:1 (1977)

Publications: Teaching/Curriculum Materials

“Morris Goes to School,” a lesson available at www.stlouisfed.org, 2015.

“Betty Bunny Wants Everything,” *Kiddynamics: an Economics Curriculum for Young Learners*,” St. Louis Federal Reserve, 2015.

“You Can’t Buy a Dinosaur with a Dime.” *Kiddynamics: An Economics Curriculum for Young Learners*,” St. Louis Federal Reserve, 2015.

“Marginalism,” in *High School Economics*. 2014. New York: Council for Economic Education.

“Comparative Advantage,” in *High School Economics*. 2014. New York: Council for Economic Education.

“Income Distribution,” in *High School Economics*. 2014. New York: Council for Economic Education.

“Economic Growth,” in *High School Economics*. 2014. New York: Council for Economic Education.

National Standards for Financial Literacy. New York: Council for Economic Education, 2013. (with S. Buckles, A. Hill, M. Staten, M. Suiter, and W. Walstad)

“Sheep in a Shop,” (with M. Suiter), a lesson available at www.stlouisfed.org, 2011.

“Beatrice’s Goat,” (with M. Suiter), a lesson available at www.stlouisfed.org, 2011.

“The Little Red Hen Makes a Pizza,” (with D. Hoffman), a lesson available at www.stlouisfed.org, 2011.

“Economic Systems of the Incas and Aztecs.” *Focus: Middle School History*, New York: Council for Economic Education, 2011.

“Mansa Musa: Inflation then and Now.” *Focus: Middle School History*, New York: Council for Economic Education, 2011.

“The Economic System of Medieval Europe.” *Focus: Middle School History*, New York: Council for Economic Education, 2011.

Focus: Globalization—Online Teaching Module, New York: Council on Economic Education 2010 (Project coordinator and writer)

“Something from Nothing,” (with J. Austin), a lesson available at www.stlouisfed.org, 2009.

“Monster Musical Chairs,” a lesson available at www.stlouisfed.org, 2007.

“Pickle Patch Bathtub,” a lesson available at www.philadelphiafed.org/education, 2007.

Economics: From Here to There, Editor, New York: National Council on Economic Education, 2006. (with M. Suiter)

Focus Globalization, New York: National Council on Economic Education, 2006. (with W. Bosshardt, S. Odorzynski, P. VanFossen, M. Watts)

Focus: Grades 3-5 Economics. New York: National Council on Economic Education, 2005 (with B. Flowers, P. Kugler, L Stiles, and M. Suiter)

Middle School World Geography: Focus on Economics. New York: National Council on Economic Education, 2004. (with C. Anderson and M. Reiser)

Wide World of Trade. New York: National Council on Economic Education, 2003. (with S. McCorkle, M. Suiter, and M. Watts)

Resources A to Z. New York: National Council on Economic Education, 2003. (Editor with S. McCorkle and M. Suiter)

Old McDonald to Uncle Sam, New York: National Council on Economic Education, 2002. (Editor with S. McCorkle and M. Suiter)

Personal Finance and Children's Literature. Ballwin, MO: SPEC Publishers, 2001 (with B. Flowers and M. Suiter).

Focus: High School Economics, 2nd edition. New York: National Council on Economic Education, 2001. (with S. McCorkle, M. Schug, and M. Watts)

Voluntary National Content Standards in Economics. New York: National Council on Economic Education, 2000. (with J. Siegfried, J. Charkins, N. Hanlon, R. Highsmith, D. McCreadie, R. Smith, M. Suiter, G. Walton, M. Watts, and D. Wentworth)

Focus: Economic Systems. New York: National Council on Economic Education, 2000. (with S. McCorkle, S. Odorzynski, and M. Schug)

Roosters to Robots. New York: National Council on Economic Education, 2000 (Editor with S. McCorkle and M. Suiter)

ECONnections: Interactive Lessons for the Internet. New York: National Council on Economic Education, 1999-2000. (with J. O'Neill and R. Strong)

“Not for a Billion Gazillion Dollars, An Internet Lesson on Credit.” 1999. St. Louis: Money Management International, 1999.

Unraveling the Mystery of Working with Schools: a Handbook for Effective School Programs. New York: National Council on Economic Education, 1999. (with J. Dempsey and M. Suiter)

“Tarantula Shoes, An Internet Lesson on Spending.” St. Louis: Money Management International, 1999.

“The Leaves in October, An Internet Lesson on Saving.” St. Louis; Money Management International, 1998.

Economics and Childrens Literature, Supplement 2. Baldwin, MO: SPEC Publishers, 1998. (with B. Flowers and M. Suiter)

Focus: High School Economics. New York: National Council on Economic Education, 1998. (with R. Highsmith, S. McCorkle, R. Smith and M. Watts)

Connecting the Pieces: Building a Better Economics Lesson. New York: National Council on Economic Education, 1997. (with S. McCorkle, J. Morton, M. Schug, and M. Suiter)

“Human Capital Investment Pays,” *The Senior Economist*, 11:1(September 1995), pp. 8-9.

Economics and Children's Literature, 1994 Supplement. Ballwin, MO: SPEC Publishers, 1994. (with B. Flowers and M. Suiter)

Economics and Children's Literature. Ballwin, MO. SPEC Publishers, 1993. (with B. Flowers and M. Suiter)

Economics for Kids, New York: Joint Council on Economic Education 1991-1994 (editor)

Solid Waste Management Curriculum K-6. Wilmington, DE: DuPont Company, 1991 (with G. Colburn and D. Morris)

"The Cost of Cheap Gas," *The Senior Economist*, 6:3 (March 1991), pp. 7-9. (with W. Windett)

Creation of Money, Computer Package, Grades 9-12. Newark, DE: University of Delaware, 1989.

"Are Women Better Off?" *The Senior Economist*, 5:1 (October 1989) pp. 5-7. (B. Fournier).

“Society vs. Scarcity,” *The Elementary Economist*, 1:1 (Fall 1980).

A Guide to Trade-Offs. Bloomington, IN.: Agency for Instructional Television, 1978.

The Economic Role of Women. New York: Joint Council on Economic Education, 1977. (with F. Huner)

Selected Presentations

“Keys to Financial Success” at Council on Economic Education and National Association of Economic Educators annual meeting, St.Petersburg, FL, October 10, 2015.

“Math in the Real World” at Council on Economic Education and National Association of Economic Educators annual meeting, St. Petersburg, FL, October 9,2015.

“Kiddynamics” at Council on Economic Education and National Association of Economic Educators annual meeting, St. Petersburg, FL, October 9,2015.

“What’s the Status of Economic Education and Why Should We Care?” Key Note at the American Institute of Economic Research’s Train the Teacher Institute, Great Barrington, MA, June 26, 2015.

“Math in the Real Word,” at National Association of Economic Educators and Council for Economic Education Annual Meeting, Dallas, TX, October 10, 2014.

“Sharing Best Practices from the Never Too Young Curriculum,” at National Association of Economic Educators and Council for Economic Education Annual Meeting, Dallas, TX, October 10, 2014.

“Tips and Tools for Running an Elementary Economics Competition,” at National Association of Economic Educators and Council for Economic Education Annual Meeting, Dallas, TX, October 10, 2014.

“Inquiry-Based Economics Using the C3 Framework,” at National Association of Economic Educators and Council for Economic Education Annual meeting, Dallas, TX, October 10, 2014.

“What’s the Status of Economic Education and Why Should We Care?” Key Note at the American Institute of Economic Research’s Train the Teacher Institute, Great Barrington, MA, June 27, 2014.

“Focus: High School Economics” at National Association of Economic Educators Professional Development meeting, Philadelphia, PA, February 28, 2014.

“C3 Framework: What Does It Mean for Economic Educators,” at National Association of Economic Educators Professional Development meeting, Philadelphia, PA, February 28, 2014.

“Overview of MAEEE” at National Association of Economic Educators Professional Development meeting, Philadelphia, PA, February 29, 2014.

“Personal Finance Academy: the Power of Partnerships,” NAEE Conference, St. Louis, March 2, 2013

“National Standards in Personal Finance,” NAEE Conference, St. Louis, March 1, 2013.

“Never Too Young: Personal Finance for Young Learners,” GATE/NAEE/CEE Annual Conference, Kansas City, October 4, 2012.

“Content Standards in Personal Finance,” Federal Reserve Systems Meeting, Kansas City, October 3, 2012

“Setting Standards in Financial Literacy,” Invited panel discussion at National Conference on Teaching Economics and Research in Economic Education, May 30, 2012

“Impact of a High School Personal Finance Course on Student Attitudes,” Allied Social Science Associations/American Economic Association Annual Meeting, January 6, 2012, Chicago. (with Andrew Hill and Erin Yetter)

“K-12 Personal Financial Education in the United States: Evidence from a National Survey,” Financial Literacy and Economic Education Conference, October 14, 2011, Chicago. (with Andrew Hill)

”Impact of a High School Personal Finance Course on Student Attitudes,” Pennsylvania Education Research Association 2011 Conference, October 6, 2011, University of Pennsylvania. (with Erin Yetter)

“Evidence of Student Achievement in a High School Personal Finance Course,” National Conference on Teaching Economics and Research in Economic Education, June 3, 2011, Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research. (with Andrew Hill)

“K-6 Economic and Personal Finance Education—Do We Wait Too Late?” Assessment and Evaluation of K-12 Personal Finance and Economics Education in the 21st Century: Knowledge, Attitudes and Behavior Conference, May 12, 2011, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis.

“Effectiveness of a High School Personal Finance Course: Evidence from a Multi-year Control-group Study,” ASSA/AEA Meetings, Denver, CO, January 8, 2011.

“Evidence of the Effectiveness of a High School Personal Finance,” CEE/NAEE/GATE Annual Meeting, Miami, FL, October 8, 2010

“Personal Finance Academy: Night for Parents and Children,” Council for Economic Education Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, October 9, 2009.

“Personal Finance Academy,” CEE/NAEE/GATE Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, October 9, 2009

“Getting Started and Next Steps for Center Directors/Personal,” CEE/NAEE/GATE Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, October 7, 2009

“Integrating Economics into Language Arts,” CEE/NAEE/GATE Annual Meeting, Biloxi, MS, October 10, 2008.

“Fed Ed Lit: Lessons for Teaching Economics with Children’s Literature, NCEE/NAEE/Gate Annual Meeting, Boulder, CO., October 5, 2007

“Recipe for Excellence: Teachers as Multipliers,” Guest Speaker, Global Association of

Economics Teachers, Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, October 2007

“Revisions of the NCEE’s Test of Economic Knowledge and the Basic Economics Test,”
NCEE/NAEE Annual Meeting, New York, NY: October 12, 2006

“Focus Globalization,” NCEE/NAEE Annual Meeting in New York, NY: October 13, 2006

“Money in Motion,” Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, July 2005

“Middle School World Geography: Focus on Economics,” National Council on Economic Education/National Association of Economic Educators Annual Meeting, San Antonio, TX: October 7, 2005

“From Parallelograms to Tic-Tac-Toe: New Economic Lessons for Elementary Classrooms,” NCEE/NAEE annual meeting in San Antonio, TX: October 7, 2005.

“Developing Elementary Economic Curriculum: Content, Pedagogy and Rationale.”
Partnerships for Professional Development in Economic Education, Second International Symposium, Kiev, Ukraine: September 5, 2004.

“Kid Size Economics.” Powell Endowment Conference, Richmond, VA: February 2004, March 2005.

“Economic Education for Elementary Students: US Perspective.” Professional Development Symposium, Harkov: Ukraine: January 2004

“Getting Started; Professional Development for New Center Staff.” NCEE/NAEE Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA: October 9, 2002. (Repeated 2003 New Orleans, 2004 Little Rock, 2005 San Antonio)

“New Publications from NCEE’s Economics International Program.” NCEE/NAEE Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA: October 12, 2002.

“The State of Pre-College Economic Education: Critical Issues.” National Summit on Economic and Financial Literacy, Washington, DC: May 14, 2002.

“Economics K-8 Is Great!” National Council for the Social Studies, Washington, DC: November 16, 2001.

“Reading, Economics, and Arithmetic.” National Council for the Social Studies, Washington, DC: November 17, 2001.

“Children’s Literature, Math, and Money for K-2.” NCEE/NAEE Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL: October 26, 2001.

“Professional Development Training for New Center/Council Directors.” NCEE/NAEE Annual Meeting, Savannah, GA: October 13, 2000.

“Developing National Standards: Rationale and Criteria.” EconomicsInternational: First International Symposium, Dubrovnik: Croatia, 2000.

“Economics Content and Curriculum: What Is Happening in Schools and Colleges? What Does It Mean for Economic Educators?” NCEE/NAEE Annual Meeting, Washington, DC: October 15, 1998. (Chair)

“New Lessons in Children’s Literature: Economics and Personal Finance.” NCEE/NAEE Annual Meeting, Washington, DC: October 17, 1998.

“National Voluntary Content Standards for Pre-College Economics Education.” American Economic Association Meeting, New Orleans, LA: January 4, 1997.

“Eclectic Appraisals: Economic Educators Rate The Voluntary Standards.” NCEE/NAEE Annual Meeting, Indianapolis, IN: September, 19, 1997.

“Voluntary National Standards in Economic Education.” NCEE/NAEE Annual Meeting, Honolulu, HI: September 21, 1996. (Chair)

“Program Coordinators: Training Teachers to Teach Economics.” Honolulu, HI: September 17, 1996.

“Setting New Standards for Ourselves and the Nation.” National Council on Economic Education’s Board of Founders Annual Meeting, New York: December 7, 1995.

“Kidsize Economics: Economic Education in Grades K-5.” A National Symposium for K-12 Teachers on Economic Education, Richmond, VA: November 6, 1995.

“Developing National Economic Standards.” NCEE/NAEE Annual Meeting, Dallas, TX: October, 1995.

“Creating and Implementing Change in the Delivery of Economic Education.” NCEE/NAEE Annual Meeting, Williamsburg, VA: September 28, 1994

“Professional Development Seminar for Inexperienced and New Center Directors.” NCEE/NAEE Annual Meeting, Milwaukee, WI: October 6, 1993.

“Economic Education for Pre-Service Elementary Teachers.” NCEE/NAEE Annual Meeting, St. Petersburg Beach , FL.: October5, 1992.

“Launching Choices and Changes.” NCEE/NAEE annual Meeting, St. Petersburg Beach, FL: October 3, 1992.

“Using *Economics for Kids* in the Elementary School Classroom.” NCEE/NAEE Annual Meeting, Louisville, KY: October 11, 1991.

“Critical Thinking and Decision-Making Skills through Economic Education.” NCEE/NAEE Annual Meeting, Louisville, KY: October 10, 1991.

Dissertation Committees

Amanda Jennings, University of Delaware, “Dissertation Proposal: Mixed Methods Approach to Elementary Students’ Naïve Economic Theories about Resource Allocation,” Current

Erin Yetter, University of Delaware, “Do School and Teacher Characteristics Matter? Evidence from the 2006 Economics National Assessment of Educational Progress,” 2013.

Andrea Ray, Capella University, “Changed by Design: Using Instructional Strategies to Influence Teachers’ Attitudes,” 2008

Mary Suiter, University of Missouri, St. Louis, “Effectiveness of an Interdisciplinary Approach to Teaching Mathematics and Economics in Middle School Mathematics Classrooms,” 2006

Professional Activities

Created a coloring book for Discover Bank to explain the salient points of the bank’s deposit account agreement to young children, 2015

Member of national writing team developing items for three Nationally-Normed Tests in Personal Finance for grades 5-6, 7-9, and 10-12, 2014

“Ask the Experts; How Can We Improve Financial Literacy in the United States,” Card Hub, Blog by John Kiernan, May 27, 2014.

Panelist at Public Policy Event, Building Economic and Financial Literacy of Delaware Students, May 5, 2014.

Member, University’s Social Studies Education Advisors Committee

Economic education consultant for the children’s book, *The Great Investo and the Secret Saver* by Greg Koseluk.

Education Consultant for the children’s book, The Great Investo and The Disastrous Decisionator by Greg Koseluk.

Education Consultant for the children’s book, The Great Investo and the Astounding, Abounding, Compounding Machine by Greg Koseluk

Eastside Community School Planning Committee

Selection Committee for Bank of America’s Neighborhood Builders Awards, Local Heroes Awards and Student Leaders Awards

Review Committee, Revision of National Voluntary Economic Standards

Education Committee, Kalmar Nyckel Foundation, 2009

Advisory Board, Fresh Start Scholarship Fund, 2009-present

Development of items for the nationally normed *Test of Economic Knowledge* (Grades 6-8) and *Basic Economics Test* (grades 4-6). Publication in 2007 by the National Council on Economic Education.

Delaware Financial Literacy Institute, Board member, 2005-present

Women for Financial Independence Advisory Group, 2004-present

Delaware State Testing Program, Item Writing Committee, 1996-present

Delaware State Testing Program, Content Review Committee, 2000-present

Design Team, "What Every Teenager Should Know" DVD on Personal Finance, 2004

Delaware General Assembly, Joint Committee on Financial Literacy, 2002

State of Delaware Governor's Task Force for Financial Independence, 2002

Project Director, Voluntary National Content Standards in Economics

Writing Team, Voluntary National Content Standards in Economics

Design Team, "Virtual Economics," CD of economic content and curriculum materials

Editorial Board, The Senior Economist. 1989-1995

Advisory Board, Academy of Finance, Red Clay Consolidated School District.

Design Team, Children's Video Series, Critical Thinking, Decision-Making Skills through Economic Education, 1991-92.

National Advisory Committee, Test of Elementary Economics, 1978

Design Team, Trade-offs, Television/Film Series, 1976

International Experience

Partnerships for Professional Development in Economic Education, Second International Symposium, 2004 (presenter)

Economic Education Writers Program (co-director and faculty)
Warsaw, Poland 1996

Riga, Latvia, 1997, 1998
Prague, Czech Republic, 1999, 2000
Vilnius, Lithuania, 2001, 2002
Bucharest, Romania, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008
St. Petersburg, Russia, 2004
Washington, DC 2009
Economics Seminars for Elementary Teachers (co-director and faculty)
Kiev, Ukraine, 2000, 2004
St. Petersburg, Russia, 2007
International Economic Education Conference (presenter)
Dubrovnik, Croatia, 2000
Kiev, Ukraine, 2004
Ukraine Elementary Economic Education Curriculum Project, 2003-2004 (consultant)
Economic Seminar for Middle School Teachers (faculty)
Berkovitz, Bulgaria, 1994

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