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EDUCATION

University of Cincinnati, Doctorate of Education in Educational Studies with a concentration in Literacy,
Dissertation: Interactive Writing in a Preschool Setting

Xavier University, Instructional Leadership Certificate

Northern Kentucky University, Master's Degree in Elementary Education with a concentration in Reading

Northern Kentucky University, Bachelor of Arts Degree in Elementary Education

PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIALS

Early Elementary K-4; self-contained 5-6 (Reading)	KY
Early Elementary K-6	OH
Educational Leadership	KY
Principal Certificate	OH
Reading Specialist Endorsement	KY & OH

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Full-Time:

Northern Kentucky University, College of Education and Human Services, 1996 - present

Interim Department Co-Chair	2018 - present
Associate Professor	2008 - present
Director - Northern Kentucky Writing Project	2009 - present
Assistant Chair	2006 - 2018
Director of Admissions for Teacher Education	2013 - 2016
Director - Center for Educator Excellence	2015 - 2018
Assistant Professor	2002 - 2008
Interim Associate Dean	2001 - 2002
Lecturer	1999 - 2001
Adjunct	1996 - 1999

Undergraduate Courses Taught: Orientation to Education Professions/Programs; Reading in Junior and Senior High School; Mentoring and Leadership; Educational Capstone Seminar; Teaching of Phonics; Portfolio Development; Admissions Supervision; Racism and Sexism in Educational Institutions; Reading and Writing Across the Curriculum for Middle Grades; Teaching of Reading; Language Arts in the Early Elementary; Elementary Field Experience I; Educational Assessment for Elementary; Human Growth and Development; Young Child in School

Graduate Courses Taught: Advanced Curriculum Studies; Current Trends and Issues in Curriculum and Instruction; Literacy Clinic I; Foundations of Literacy; Language and Learning Across the Curriculum (online and on campus); Kentucky Reading Project; Diagnosis of Reading and Other Related Disorders; Remediation of Reading and Other Disorders; Developing Writing Programs: Elementary, Middle and Secondary Levels; Language and Literacy; Applied Educational Research I & II; Orientation to the MAED Program; Reading in the Primary Grades; Study of Dystopian Literature Genre; Leadership in a Diverse Society

Goshen Independent Schools	
Principal, Sheila L. Green Elementary	1997-1999
University of Cincinnati	
Graduate School/ Teaching Assistant	1995-1997
Kenton County School District	
Visalia Elementary, 2/3 Grade Teacher	
K-5 Writing Instructor	1989 – 1992
River Ridge Elementary, 2/3 Grade Teacher	1992 - 1995

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS – MEMBERSHIP

American Educational Research Association
 American Reading Forum – Board of Directors (2012-14)
 Association of Supervision and Curriculum Development
 International Literacy Association
 Kentucky Association of Teacher Educators
 Kentucky Council of Teachers of English / Language Arts
 Kentucky Education Association
 Kentucky Reading Association
 National Council of Teachers of English / Language Arts
 National Education Association
 Phi Delta Kappa
 Professors of Reading Educators

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

Code, K. P. & Runge, S. “Soaring Higher: Integrating Aviation into Your STEM Teaching.” STEM Conference, Northern Kentucky University, Highland Heights, KY, September 2018.

Crites, S., Reed, C. & Runge, S. “Do I Want to Go to the Dark Side? A Leadership Capacity Building Program in the College of Education and Human Services (COEHS)” The Teacher Education Council of State Colleges and Universities (TESCU), Philadelphia, PA, October, 2017.

Code, K. P. & Runge, S. “Developing Partnerships to Engage K-12 Students in STEM Fields” STEM Conference, Northern Kentucky University, Highland Heights, KY, September 2017.

Runge, S. & Code, K. P. “Hot Wheels Pizza Racecar Challenge” Northern Kentucky Chamber of Commerce STEM Day Out, Highland Heights, KY, July, 201

Code, K. P. & Runge, S. “Awakening Higher Level Learning through Differentiated Instruction” Kentucky Association for Gifted Education Annual Conference, Lexington, KY, February 2017.

Sara Runge, “Adaptations/Innovations to the Invitational Institute: What’s New and What’s Working” National Writing Project Annual Conference, Minneapolis, MN, November, 2015. Invited.

Sara Runge/Kimberly Code “Using Paired Texts to Engage Students in Science” Kentucky Reading Association Annual Conference, Louisville, KY, October, 2014.

Runge, S. “Technology and Writing: How to Incorporate Both into Your Classroom” American Reading Forum Annual Conference, Sanibel Island, FL, December 9-12, 2013.

Runge, S. & Wasicko, M. “Turn On Your Smart Devices: You are Entering an eLearning Zone: Teaching a Large Enrollment Class” Kentucky Association of Teacher Educators, Georgetown, KY, September 23, 2011.

Wasicko, M. & Runge, S. "Turn On Your Smart Devices: You are Entering an eLearning Zone: Teaching a Large Enrollment Class" 2011 Kentucky Conference on Converging Trends in Teaching and Learning, Union, KY, May 24-24, 2011.

Runge-Pulte, S. "Using Digital Literacy to Develop Written Text" American Reading Forum Annual Conference, Sanibel Island, FL, December 8-10, 2010. (accepted but did not present)

Runge-Pulte, S. & Lech, L. "Using Visual Literacy to Develop Written Text" Kentucky Reading Association Annual Conference, Lexington, KY, October 30, 2010.

Runge-Pulte, S. & Noll, R. "Outreach and Pre-Service Teachers: Utilizing Grant Opportunities to Deliver Outreach to Local P-12 Schools" Southeastern Region Association of Teacher Educators Conference, Nashville, TN, October 28, 2010.

Runge-Pulte, S. & Noll, R. "Encouraging the Development of Outreach Initiatives between Universities and K-12 Institutions" Kentucky Association of Teacher Educators Conference, Georgetown, KY, September, 24, 2010. (did not present)

Runge-Pulte, S. & Code, K. P. "Going Beyond: Challenging Literacy Curriculum for Gifted Boys" American Reading Forum Annual Conference, Sanibel Island, FL, December 9-12, 2009

Runge-Pulte, S. & Main, C. "Professional Development: Drive-Ins Across the State" National Education Association State Organizers Annual Meeting, Las Vegas, NV, December, 2009.

Runge-Pulte, S. & Code, K. P. "Using Twin Texts to Teach Economics in the Elementary and Middle School" American Reading Forum Annual Conference, Sanibel Island, FL, December 6-9, 2008.

Runge-Pulte, S. Risko, V. & Moorman, G. "Preparing Prospective Reading Teachers: Promising Practices and Possibilities for New Directions" American Reading Forum Annual Conference, Sanibel Island, FL, December 6-9, 2008.

Runge-Pulte, S. & Smith, L. "Improving Nonfiction Literacy Comprehension" Kentucky Council of Teachers of English/Language Arts Annual Conference; Lexington, KY, February 1, 2008.

Runge-Pulte, S. & Doty, D. "Gender Bias in Texts Translated to Movies – Does it Exist?" American Reading Forum Annual Conference, Sanibel Island, FL, December 5-8, 2007.

Runge-Pulte, S., Larison, I. & Besnoy, K. "Practice and Progress – Student Teaching Abroad – New Horizons," KATE Conference, Georgetown, KY, September 28, 2007.

Runge-Pulte, S. & Code, K. P. "Using Twin Texts to Teach Economics" Kentucky Reading Association, Lexington, KY, September 20-22, 2007.

Runge-Pulte, S. & Main, C. "Teaching is Leadership" National Education Association Student Program Leadership Conference, Philadelphia, PA, June 25-29th, 2007.

Runge-Pulte, S. & Smith, L. "Revisiting Twin Texts" Kentucky Reading Association, Louisville, KY, September 21-23, 2006.

Runge-Pulte, S., Gumz, M. & Lenen, E. "What Do I Do Now That I've Been Hired?" Elementary Education Workshop, Kentucky Education Association Student Program Delegate Assembly, Lexington, KY, March 31-April 1, 2006.

Runge-Pulte, S., Sherry, T. & Doty, D. "Using Websites to Assist Children in Reading and Comprehension" Kentucky Council of Teachers of English / Language Arts, Louisville, Kentucky, February 24-25, 2006.

Runge-Pulte, S. Sherry, T. & Doty, D. "Using CD-ROM Storybooks to Assist Children in Reading and Comprehension" American Reading Forum, Sanibel Island, Florida, December 7-10, 2005.

Runge-Pulte, S., Doty, D. & Bishop, D. "Extending Twin Text from Primary to Secondary School" American Reading Forum, Marco Island, Florida, December 8-11, 2004.

Runge-Pulte, S. & Doty, D. "Tell me about what you just read. Huh? Facilitating Reading Comprehension with Elementary Students" Professional Development, Highland Heights Elementary School, Richmond, IN, February 12, 2004.

Runge, S. & Doty, D. "Twin Texts: Content Area Reading Made Simple" American Reading Forum, Sanibel Island, December 10-12, 2003

Runge, S. & Doty, D. "Using Four Blocks" American Reading Forum, Sanibel Island, Florida, December 8-10, 2002

PUBLICATIONS

Runge, S. (2019) "Is Teaching for Me? The Many Sides of Teaching" San Diego: Cognella.

Runge, S. & Code, K. P. "Twice –Exceptional Students: Tools for Success in the Classroom", in process

Runge, S., Atkins, A., Braunwart, A., & Klare, A. "Real World Writing with Digital Prompts," *Handbook of Research on Digital Tools for Writing Instruction in K-12 Settings*, IGI Global, 2014.

Runge, S. "Twin Texts: The Bridge to Integrated Language Arts Instruction" Kentucky Reading Journal, Published, Fall 2011

Code, K. P. & Runge, S. "Using Twin Texts to Teach Economics" *Southern Social Studies Journal*, Published November 2007.

Runge-Pulte, S. & Smith, L. "Pursuing Twin Texts: Problems and Possibilities" *The Reading Professor*, Published October, 2007.

Runge-Pulte, S. & Doty, D. "Using Kentucky Reading Project Teachers for Practicum Placements" *The Kentucky Reading Journal*, Accepted August 2006.

GRANTS

Sara Runge, "Northern Kentucky Writing Project" Kentucky Department of Education, May 01, 2016– October 31, 2017. Grant monies awarded: \$46,000.00

Sara Runge, "National Writing Project" National Department of Education. June 15, 2015– July 10, 2016. Grant monies awarded: \$20,000.

Sara Runge, "Northern Kentucky Writing Project" Kentucky Department of Education, May 01, 2015– October 31, 2016. Grant monies awarded: \$46,000.00

Sara Runge, "National Writing Project" National Department of Education. June 15, 2014– July 10, 2015. Grant monies awarded: \$20,000.

Sara Runge, "Northern Kentucky Writing Project" Kentucky Department of Education, May 01, 2014– October 31, 2015. Grant monies awarded: \$48,000.00

Sara Runge "Northern Kentucky Writing Project" Kentucky Department of Education, May 01, 2013– October 31, 2014. Grant monies awarded: \$48,000.00

Sara Runge, "Northern Kentucky Writing Project" Kentucky Department of Education, May 01, 2012– October 31, 2013. Grant monies awarded: \$48,000.00.

Sara Runge- "National Writing Project" National Department of Education. June 15, 2012– July 10, 2013. Grant monies awarded: \$20,000.

Sara Runge-Pulte "National Writing Project" National Department of Education. June 15, 2011– July 10, 2012. Grant monies awarded: \$47,000.

Sara Runge-Pulte "Northern Kentucky Writing Project" Kentucky Department of Education, May 01, 2011– October 31, 2011. Grant monies awarded: \$48,571.00.

Sara Runge-Pulte "Future Educators of America" Kentucky Department of Education, January 01, 2011-June 30, 2011. Grant monies awarded: \$43,000.

Sara Runge-Pulte "National Writing Project" National Department of Education. June 15, 2010– July 10, 2011. Grant monies awarded: \$45,000.

Sara Runge-Pulte "Northern Kentucky Writing Project" Kentucky Department of Education, May 01, 2010– October 31, 2010. Grant monies awarded: \$55,000.

Sara Runge-Pulte "National Writing Project" National Department of Education. June 15, 2009 – July 10, 2010. Accepted and conducted. Grant monies awarded: \$43,000.

Sara Runge-Pulte "Northern Kentucky Writing Project" Kentucky Department of Education, May 01, 2009– October 31, 2009. Grant monies awarded: \$55,000.

Sara Runge-Pulte "Future Educators of America Summer Camp Program" Kentucky Department of Education, July 13-17, 2009. Accepted. Grant monies awarded: \$25,000.

Sara Runge-Pulte "National Writing Project" National Department of Education. June 15, 2008 – July 10, 2009. Accepted and conducted. Grant monies awarded: \$43,000.

Sara Runge-Pulte "Northern Kentucky Writing Project" Kentucky Department of Education, May 01, 2008– October 31, 2008. Grant monies awarded: \$65,000.

Sara Runge-Pulte Patsy Fisk / Jennifer Wolf "PRAXIS I- PPST Preparation Seminar" September 1, 2008 – August 30, 2009. Accepted and conducted. Grant monies awarded: \$1500.

Sara Runge-Pulte / Lynne Smith "National Writing Project" National Department of Education. July 1, 2007 – June 30, 2008. Accepted and conducted. Grant monies awarded: \$43,000.

Sara Runge-Pulte "Northern Kentucky Writing Project" Kentucky Department of Education, May 01, 2007 – October 31, 2007. Grant monies awarded: \$65,000.

Sara Runge-Pulte / Mary Rozier / Shawn Faulkner "Future Educators of America Summer Camp Program" Kentucky Department of Education, June 12-16, 2006. Accepted and conducted. Grant monies awarded: \$25,000.

Sara Runge-Pulte / Mary Rozier “Future Educators of America Summer Camp Program”
Kentucky Department of Education, June 13 – 17, 2005. Accepted and conducted. Grant monies awarded:
\$25,000.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

Bachelor of Arts in Education, Culture & Society (2021) – developed program

GRAD Cincinnati Goes to College (2021) – Innovation Challenge Project Winner

- The summer program -NORSE – NKU Opportunity Enrichment Summer Experience - took place **June 1 – June 11 from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm** each day. We provided students the opportunity visited each College virtually and viewed programs as a recruitment event.

OTHER

Educational Testing Services National Reading Advisory Panel Member – September 2018

*Facilitated the revision of the PRAXIS test for Reading Specialist

Grad Cincinnati Board Executive Member Secretary– present

Grad Cincinnati Board Member – present

Kentucky State Education Career Pathway Task Force – present

*Development of Teaching and Learning Career Pathway

*Dual credit courses in teacher education program – work with local school districts to implement courses at the high school level

*Piloted program in Kenton County fall 2017

Kentucky Writing Project Advisory Committee - present

NKU Community Engagement Board – Present

Young Women’s Lead Board Member - present

Grad Cincinnati Liaison – 2014-present

Facilitated groups on campus for recruitment efforts

CPS AP Blended Boot Camp – NKU Liaison – 2016- present

Kentucky Educational Development Corporation:

Literacy Innovations for Neighborhoods in Kentucky (LINK) Advisory Board – 2017

Kentucky Core Academic Standards (KCAS) Task Force – 2017

Appointment by Kentucky Department of Education to revise the ELA standards in the state of KY

FEA Regional Coordinator – July 2008 to 2012

*Hosted two (4) Regional Competitions at NKU: October 2008, October 2009, November 2010, October 2011

*Hosted 3 FEA Days: May 2008, 2009, 2010

*Hosted State FEA Conference – January 2011

EPSB Trainer for the KTIP Program – June 2007 to 2010

KEA-SP Presenter on PRAXIS I & II Test – August 2006 to 2010

*Conducted more than 75 workshops throughout the state of KY

KEASP Presenter for Professional Development throughout the state of KY

*Conducted more than 100 workshops on the following topics:

*Reading across the Curriculum

*Writing across the Curriculum

*Student Teaching Seminars

*KTIP Seminars

*Classroom Management

KEA/FEA/PSEO – Read Across America Events – facilitated and coordinated over 6 events,

including one statewide, that has distributed over 7,000 books to students in area schools

OKI Children’s Literature Conference – Co-Chair, Nov. 2006

Supplement to textbook Contributor

Scorer for the NCTE Essay Contest - June 2009 to 2017

Scholastic Professor Advisory Board – 2010 – 2017

Presenter – Dreamfest/LEAD Conference 2011
Facilitator – EDG 692 Presentations

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

2020-2021

University

SBS Advisory Board Member
21st Century Grant Liaison
University Curriculum Committee
Faculty Senate
International Affairs Committee
Academic and Admission Policy Committee
SBD P-12 Partnerships Committee, Co-Chair

College

Partnerships for Pathways
COE College Curriculum Committee
Educators Rising Collegiate Organization – Faculty Advisor

Department

Foundations Program Team

2020-2021

University

Community Engagement Board
SBS Advisory Board Member
21st Century Grant Liaison
University Curriculum Committee
Faculty Senate

College

CINSAM Directors Committee
COE College Curriculum Committee
Outreach and Public Engagement Strategic Team
Foundations Program Team

2019-2020

University

Community Engagement Board
SBS Advisory Board Member
21st Century Grant Liaison

College

CINSAM Directors Committee
Foundations Program Team

2018-2019

University

Community Engagement Board
Academic Affairs Administrators Committee
CINSAM Directors Committee
Council of Chairs Committee

College

Continuous Assessment Team Member
COEHS Leadership Capacity Building Team
COEHS Leadership Team

Department

Department Leadership Team
Department Meetings

2017-2018

University

Community Engagement Board

College

CAEP Standard 2 Facilitator
Continuous Assessment Team Member
COEHS Leadership Capacity Building Team
COEHS Leadership Team

Department

Department Leadership Team
Department Meetings
Elementary Program Team
Foundation Program Team
Program Facilitator Team
Ad-Hoc Committee Member – Faculty Workload

2016-2017

University

Community Engagement Board
AVP Search Committee Member

College

CAEP Standard 2 Facilitator
Continuous Assessment Team Member

Department

Department Meetings
Elementary Program Team
Foundation Program Team Facilitator
Program Facilitator Team
Peer Evaluation Committee –Chair
Director Education Placements/Internships Search - Chair

2015-2016

University

University College Curriculum Committee

College

PSEO – Faculty Advisor
Educators Rising Co -Coordinator
College Curriculum Committee
CAEP Standard 2 Facilitator
Continuous Assessment Team Member

Department

Department Meetings
Elementary Program Team
Foundation Program Team Facilitator
Program Facilitator Team
Peer Evaluation Committee –Team Member
Search Committee Member

2014-2015

University

University College Curriculum Committee

College

PSEO – Faculty Advisor
Educators Rising Co -Coordinator
College Curriculum Committee
CAEP Team Member
SACS Team Member
Continuous Assessment Team Member

Department

Department Meetings
Elementary Program Team
Foundation Program Team Facilitator
Program Facilitator Team
Peer Evaluation Committee –Team Member
Search Committee Member

2013-2014

University

University College Curriculum Committee

College

PSEO – Faculty Advisor
FEA Regional Co -Coordinator
College Curriculum Committee
CAEP Team Member
Continuous Assessment Team Member

Department

Department Meetings
Elementary Program Team
Foundation Program Team Facilitator
Program Facilitator Team
Peer Evaluation Committee –Team Member
Search Committee Member

2012-2013

University

University College Curriculum Committee

College

PSEO – Faculty Advisor
FEA Regional Co -Coordinator
College Curriculum Committee

Department

Department Meetings
Elementary Program Team
Foundation Program Team Facilitator
Program Facilitator Team
Peer Evaluation Committee –Team Member
Search Committee Member

2011-2012

University

University College Curriculum Committee
English Advisory Panel

College

PSEO – Faculty Co-Advisor
FEA Regional Co -Coordinator
College Curriculum Committee

Department

Department Meetings
Elementary Program Team
Foundation Program Team
Program Facilitator Team
Peer Evaluation Committee – Chair/Team Member
Search Committee Chair

2011-2012

University

Faculty Senate Representative
University College Curriculum Committee
English Advisory Panel
Large Class Size Panel

College

PSEO – Faculty Co-Advisor
FEA Regional Coordinator
Faculty Senate Representative
College Curriculum Committee

Department

Department Meetings
Elementary Program Team
Foundation Program Team
Program Facilitator Team
Peer Evaluation Committee – Chair/Team Member
Search Committee Chair/Representative

2010-2011

University

Faculty Senate Representative
University College Curriculum Committee

College

KEASP Organization – Faculty Co-Advisor
FEA Regional Coordinator

NCATE Readiness Committee
Faculty Senate Representative
College Curriculum Committee

Department

Department Meetings
Elementary Program Team

2009-2010

College

KEA-SP Organization – Faculty Advisor
FEA Regional Coordinator
Teacher Education Committee
NCATE Readiness Committee
Leader Master’s Implementation Team

Department

Department Meetings
Elementary Program Team – Chair
Peer Review Committees

2008 – 2009

College

KEA-SP Organization – Faculty Advisor
FEA Regional Coordinator
Teacher Education Committee
NCATE Committee
Leader Master’s Implementation Team

Department

Department Meetings
Elementary Program Team – Chair
Peer Review Committee – Chair
Search Committee (ESL/Literacy) – Chair
New Faculty Collaborative

2007-2008

College

KEA-SP Organization- Faculty Advisor
Student Voice

Department

Department Meetings
Elementary Program Team – Chair
Peer Review Committee – Chair

2006 – 2007

College

KEA-SP Organization – Faculty Advisor
Functional Work Team- Student Voice and Leadership Co-Chair
Transitions – Northern Exposure
Peer Review Committees
NCATE Committee
EPortfolios/TPA Committee

Department

International Liaison – Department Representative
Department Meetings
Elementary Program Meetings

2005-2006

University

University College Curriculum Committee – Representative

College

KEA-SP Organization – Faculty Advisor
Functional Work Team- Student Voice and Leadership
Elementary Program Team
College Curriculum Committee – Department Representative
Transitions – Northern Exposure
Peer Review Committees

Department

International Liaison – Department Representative
Department meetings
Elementary Program Meetings

2004-2005

University

University College Curriculum Committee – College / Department
Representative

College

Faculty Senate – College Curriculum Representative
KEA-SP Organization – Faculty Advisor
Functional Work Team- Student Voice and Leadership
Elementary Program Team
College Curriculum Committee – Chair
Transitions – Northern Exposure
Teacher Leadership of Northern Kentucky Academy

Department

TESOL Search Committee
Literacy Search Committee
International Liaison – Department Representative

2004-2006

University

University College Curriculum Committee – College / Department
Representative

College

Faculty Senate – College Curriculum Representative
KEA-SP Organization – Faculty Advisor
Functional Work Team- Student Voice and Leadership
Elementary Program Team
College Curriculum Committee – Chair
Transitions – Northern Exposure
Teacher Leadership of Northern Kentucky Academy

Department

TESOL Search Committee
Literacy Search Committee
International Liaison – Department Representative

2003-2004

University

University Curriculum Committee – Department Representative

College

College Curriculum Committee – Chair

KEA-SP Faculty Advisor

Senior Awards Committee – Department Representative

Teacher Education Committee – Department Representative

Department

Portfolio Revision Committee – Member

Elementary Program Restructuring Committee - Member

2002-2003

College

KEA-SP Faculty Advisor

NCATE Committee –Standards 2 & 3

Senior Awards Committee

Education Week Representative

Department

Horizontal and Vertical Alignment Committee

2001-2002

University

Strategic Enrollment Management Committee

Enrollment Planning Committee

Associate/Assistant Dean Committee

Registering and Advising Committee

Graduate Council

Graduate Program Directors Committee

College

Teacher Education Committee

Diversity Committee

Education Week – College Representative

College Cabinet Committee

College Curriculum Committee, Chair

MAT Advisory Committee