BULLETIN OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Faculty, Staff, Students, & Alumni

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Mary H. Gresham, Dean
GRANTS

Douglas Clements (LAI professor) and 12 GSE co-investigators, including LAI professor James Collins, CSEP associate professor Janice DeLucia-Waack, and LAI associate professor Julie Sarama, have been awarded $10,000 from the UB Educational Technology Center to support the grant “Transforming Simple Commenter into a Power Video Analysis Tool for Research and Teaching.” The grant award time period is July 2006 to June 2007.

Gregory Fabiano (CSEP assistant professor) has been awarded $496,821 from the US Department of Education’s Institute of Educational Sciences to support the grant “Enhancing Individualized Education Plans for Children with ADHD Using a Daily Report Card Procedure.” The grant award time period is August 2006 to July 2008, and co-investigators for the study are CSEP assistant professors Martin Volker and Christopher Lopata.

Xiufeng Liu (LAI associate professor) is a co-investigator on a team (with UB chemistry, pharmacy, electrical engineering, and physics faculty) that was awarded a $480,000 John R. Oishei Foundation grant to work with two Buffalo Public Schools to improve their science curriculums. The grant will assist science teachers from Buffalo Public School 19 and the new Math and Science School in developing innovative science curriculum materials to enhance their current curriculums. The award is a matching grant to a $4.8 million grant proposal the team submitted to the National Science Foundation in May 2006.

Suzanne Miller (LAI associate professor) has been awarded $290,650 from the John R. Oishei Foundation to support the grant “City Voices, City Visions (CVCV): Improving Student Achievement Through Digital Video and Communication Technologies.”

Attached is an updated list of GSE sponsored grants.

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PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

Douglas Clements (LAI professor)

Janice DeLucia-Waack (CSEP associate professor)

TEXTBOOK

Douglas Clements (LAI professor)
Julie Sarama (LAI associate professor)
EDITED BOOKS

Janina Brutt-Griffler (LAI associate professor)

Janice DeLucia-Waack (CSEP associate professor)
Karen Bridbord (Ph.D., 2004, CSEP)
Jennifer Kleiner (Ph.D., 2004, CSEP)

Lois Weis (ELP professor)

CHAPTERS

Janina Brutt-Griffler (LAI associate professor)


Catherine Cook-Cottone (CSEP assistant professor)
LeAdelle Phelps (CSEP professor)

Gregory Dimitriadis (ELP associate professor)
Lois Weis (ELP professor)
James Hoot (LAI professor)


Gloria Lee (CSEP assistant professor)


Yoshiko Nozaki (ELP assistant professor)


Amy Reynolds (CSEP assistant professor)


Julie Sarama (LAI associate professor)

Douglas Clements (LAI professor)


Thomas Schroeder (LAI associate professor)


Christine Wang (LAI assistant professor)


Lois Weis (ELP professor)


Lois Weis (ELP professor)
Amira Proweller (Ph.D., 1995, ELP)
Julia Hall (Ph.D., 1997, ELP)


EDITED JOURNAL

Suzanne Miller (LAI associate professor)

ARTICLES

Mardiana Abu Bakar (ELP doctoral student)
Yoshiko Nozaki (ELP assistant professor)


Jeffrey Barrett (Ph.D., 1998, LAI)
Douglas Clements (LAI professor)


Ruth Berry (LAI assistant professor)


Janina Brutt-Griffler (LAI associate professor)


Douglas Clements (LAI professor)
Julie Sarama (LAI associate professor)


Catherine Cook-Cottone (CSEP assistant professor)


Catherine Cook-Cottone (CSEP assistant professor)
Melinda Scime (CSEP doctoral student)


Scott DeWitt (LAI assistant professor)


Gregory Fabiano (CSEP assistant professor)


Deborah Gerrity (CSEP assistant professor)


Corrie Giles (ELP assistant professor)


S. G. Grant (LAI associate professor)

Jill Gradwell (Ph.D., 2005, LAI)


Karla Hamlen (CSEP doctoral student)

Thomas Shuell (CSEP professor emeritus)


James Hoot (LAI professor)

Selamawit Tadesse (LAI doctoral student)


James Hoot (LAI professor)

Judit Szente (Ph.D., 2001, LAI)

Selamawit Tadesse (LAI doctoral student)


Lauri Johnson (ELP associate professor)


Catherine Lange (LAI visiting assistant professor)

Gloria Lee (CSEP assistant professor)

Jaekyung Lee (CSEP associate professor)

Christopher Lopata (CSEP assistant professor)


Suzanne Miller (LAI associate professor)


Trica Peterson (Ph.D., 2005, CSEP)
Deborah Gerrity (CSEP assistant professor)

Raechele Pope (ELP associate professor)

Dorothy Rissel (LAI associate professor)

Julie Sarama (LAI associate professor)
Douglas Clements (LAI professor)


Melinda Scime (CSEP doctoral student)
Catherine Cook-Cottone (CSEP assistant professor)
Linda Kane (CSEP master’s student)
Tracey Watson (Ed.M., 2003, CSEP)


Thomas Shuell (CSEP professor emeritus)


Daniel Smith (CSEP doctoral student)


Robert Stevenson (ELP associate professor)


Martin Volker (CSEP assistant professor)


Christine Wang (LAI assistant professor)


Christine Wang (LAI assistant professor)
James Hoot (LAI professor)


Lois Weis (ELP professor)


Rose Ylimaki (ELP assistant professor)

**ELECTRONIC PUBLICATION**

**Touorouzou Some** (ELP doctoral student)

**COMMISSIONED REPORT**

**Jaekyung Lee** (CSEP associate professor)

**CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS**

**James Collins** (LAI professor)

**James Donnelly** (CSEP assistant professor)

**Aubrey Duquin** (Ph.D., 2006, CSEP)
**James Donnelly** (CSEP assistant professor)
**Kerry Donnelly** (CSEP adjunct assistant professor)
**Jennifer Kleiner** (Ph.D., 2004, CSEP)
**Benson Hoffman** (Ph.D., 2004, CSEP)
**Jessica Englert** (CSEP doctoral student)

**Christine Wang** (LAI assistant professor)

**BOOK REVIEWS**

**Lauri Johnson** (ELP associate professor)
Janina Brutt-Griffler (LAI associate professor)


Yoshiko Nozaki (ELP assistant professor)


TEST REVIEWS

Catherine Cook-Cottone (CSEP assistant professor)


Catherine Cook-Cottone (CSEP assistant professor)
Scott Meier (CSEP professor)


NEWSLETTER PUBLICATION

Yoshiko Nozaki (ELP assistant professor)
Lois Weis (ELP professor)


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PRESENTATIONS

Janina Brutt-Griffler (LAI associate professor)


Janina Brutt-Griffler (LAI associate professor)
James Collins (LAI professor)
Timothy Madigan (LAI doctoral student)


Douglas Clements (LAI professor)


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Julie Sarama (LAI associate professor)


**Douglas Clements** (LAI professor)  
**Julie Sarama** (LAI associate professor)  
**Jaekyung Lee** (CSEP associate professor)  


**James Collins** (LAI professor)  
**Janina Brutt-Griffler** (LAI associate professor)  
**Jaekyung Lee** (CSEP associate professor)  


**Jill Gradwell** (Ph.D., 2005, LAI)  
Gradwell, J. M. (2006, November). *Using sources to teach history: As collective memory, with a disciplinary lens, and from a postmodern stance*. Paper to be presented at the annual meeting of the College and University Faculty Assembly of the National Council for the Social Studies, Washington, DC.


**Stephen Jacobson** (ELP professor)  

**Stephen Jacobson** (ELP professor)  
**Lauri Johnson** (ELP associate professor)  


Lauri Johnson (ELP associate professor)

Michael Kibby (LAI professor)
Karen Wieland (LAI doctoral student)

Michael Kiener (Ph.D., 2004, CSEP)
Kiener, M. S. (2006, November). The value of action research as a means of expanding pedagogy and understanding. Paper to be presented at the 26th Annual Lilly Conference on College Teaching, Miami University, Oxford, OH.

Pamela Marcucci (ELP staff)
Mary Ngovoli (ELP doctoral student)

Kimberly Rogers (ELP assistant professor)


Julie Sarama (LAI associate professor)
Douglas Clements (LAI professor)


Touorouzou Some (ELP doctoral student)


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THIS ‘N’ THAT

Hadassa Bachellor (Ed.M., 2003, LAI) has received the Wal-Mart Teacher of the Year Award for Western New York. Bachellor is a second year science teacher at Newfane Middle School. Previously, she taught at Covenant Academy in the Town of Tonawanda for seven years and also has taught at the Victory Christian Academy in Lockport.
Stephen Brown (ELP professor emeritus) was honored by former students, colleagues, friends, family, and scholars with the publication of the book *Educational Transformations: Changing Our Lives Through Mathematics: A Tribute to Stephen Ira Brown* (Authorhouse). The book is a tribute to Brown’s 25-year career at UB, and contains over 40 essays that are either personal recollections or scholarly articles reflecting Brown’s unique educational perspective.

Peggy Yehl Burke (Ed.D., 1983, LAI) has assumed the duties of dean of the School of Graduate Studies at St. Bonaventure University, in addition to her role as dean of their School of Education. Burke joined St. Bonaventure in 1978.

Douglas Clements (LAI professor) received a 2007 SUNY Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Scholarship and Creative Activity for actively engaging in scholarly and creative pursuits beyond his teaching responsibilities.

Stephen Dunnett (Ph.D., 1977, ELP), UB vice provost for international education, was quoted in a July 2006 *Chronicle of Higher Education* article on a proposed rule change that would require Canadian students studying in the U.S. to be digitally fingerprinted and photographed.

Jeremy Finn (CSEP professor) received a 2006 UB Sustained Achievement Award for producing an outstanding body of scholarly work over a number of years and garnering public and professional accolades in his field.


Martin Finkelstein (Ph.D., 1978, ELP) has co-authored, with Jack Schuster, the book *The American Faculty: The Restructuring of Academic Work and Careers* (John Hopkins University Press). Finkelstein is a professor of education at Seton Hall University in New Jersey.

Lynn Marie Fusco (Ph.D., 1993, LAI) is the new superintendent of the Alden Central School District. Previously, she spent 10 years with the United Cerebral Palsy Association, several years with the Royalton Hartland School District, and 10 years as the director of curriculum instruction and personnel in the East Aurora School District.

Barbara Godshall (Ed.D., 2004, ELP) has been appointed the director of special education in the Lewiston Porter School District. For the past seven years she was the special-programs director at the Medina Central School District, and held a similar position with the Royalton-Hartland Central School District from 1997 to 1999. Previously, Godshall was a special education teacher in the Lockport City and Niagara-Wheatfield Central school districts.

Julie Gorlewski (ELP doctoral student) was one of three graduate students selected nationally to participate in the American Educational Research Association’s Social Context of Education Research Project. This multi-year project was initiated with three purposes in mind: to identify the range of scholarly work under the heading “social context of education”; to chart shifts in research and scholarly work produced on the topic; and to review the origins and evolution of its theoretical, methodological, pedagogical, and epistemological grounding. Participants will examine important areas of inquiry and produce scholarly work for publication as a group and as individual scholars.
S. G. Grant (LAI associate professor) received a 2007 SUNY Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Teaching for his extensive record of consistently superior teaching at the graduate level.

Sharon Harris-Ewing (Ph.D., 1999, CSEP) has published Prayers for School Teachers: Contemporary Conversations with God (Pilgrim Press). The book contains 150 prayers intended to assist teachers who seek to integrate their Christian faith with their work as classroom teachers. Since 2001, Harris-Ewing has been an associate professor of education in the Division of Teacher Education at Roberts Wesleyan College in Rochester, NY. In July 2006, she was appointed chair of the Division of General Education.

Jeanne Heinl (Ed.M., 2000, CSEP) joined the Air Force Air National Guard in 2001 and is currently on active duty. In 2005, she enrolled in the trauma counseling certificate program in UB’s School of Social Work and is now volunteering at the Buffalo Veteran’s Administration Hospital.

Lauri Johnson (ELP associate professor) has been asked to serve on the UB 2020 Civic Engagement and Public Policy Subgroup on Cross Border and International Affairs. This university-wide committee is one of nine subgroups that arose out of the UB 2020 White paper on Civic Engagement. Johnson’s subgroup (which includes representatives from political science, women’s studies, geography, law, sociology, urban planning, and education) is conducting a census of research activities across the campus involving cross border and international issues, and will be submitting a proposal to the UB Provost Satish Tripathi with recommendations for potential campus-wide collaborations and hiring/resource allocations in these areas.

D. Bruce Johnstone, (ELP professor emeritus), Pamela Marcucci (ELP staff), and Mary Ngovoloi (ELP doctoral student), organized a conference in Nairobi, Kenya, “The Implications of Dual Track Tuition Policies on Higher Education Financing and Access in East Africa,” July 10 and 11, 2006. One of Johnstone’s former students, Johnson Ishengoma (Ph.D., 2004, ELP), currently a lecturer at St. Augustine University of Tanzania, presented at the conference. In addition, Johnstone and Stephen Dunnett (Ph.D., 1977, ELP), UB vice provost for international education, were quoted in an Inside Higher Ed article on the collapse of a program Johns Hopkins University started in Singapore, and the fast-changing nature of international relationships in higher education (www.insidehighered.com/news/2006/07/27/singapore).

Michelle Kavanaugh (Ed.D., 1997, ELP) is the new superintendent of the Honeoye Falls-Lima School District in New York State’s Finger Lakes Region. For the past four years, she was the superintendent of the Plattsburgh City School District in northeastern New York. Previously, Kavanaugh worked as an assistant superintendent for learning and assessment in Lockport, NY; director of elementary curriculum and instruction in Lancaster, NY; and an elementary school principal for seven years in the Sweet Home School District.

Jaekyung Lee (CSEP associate professor) has been selected for Who’s Who in America, 2007. Lee’s commissioned report on No Child Left Behind (see Publications section) received media coverage in: Reuters, “Bush Education Policy to Miss Goals: Harvard Study” (June 14, 2006); Education Week, “Study Questions NCLB Law’s Links to Achievement Gains” (June 21, 2006); and the Wall Street Journal, “Acid Tests: No Child Left Behind is Beyond Uninformative. It is Deceptive” (July 25, 2006). The New York Times also reprinted the Reuters story. (The Wall Street Journal article is available at www.opinionjournal.com/editorial/feature.html?id=110008701.)

Xiufeng Liu (LAI associate professor) serves on the Buffalo Public Schools Superintendent’s Science and Math Advisory Board.
Rebecca Martin (Ed.M., 2001, LAI) has been appointed the principal at St. Mary’s Academy in Hoosick Falls, near Albany, NY. Previously, she was the principal at Buffalo Public School 17.

John McKendry (Ed.M., 1980, LAI), national sales manager for Hi-Temp Fabrications, has been elected president of the board of directors of Western New York Heritage Press, publisher of *Western New York Heritage* magazine.

Yoshiko Nozaki (ELP assistant professor) received a 2006 UB Young Investigator Award for her exceptional scholarship and record of achievements over a two–three year period.

Kimberly Oar (CERT, 2005, ELP) is the new principal of the Wales Primary School in East Aurora, part of the Iroquois Central School District. Previously, she was the assistant director of special education for the Pioneer Central School District.

Charles Passanese Jr. (Ed.M., 1981, CSEP) has worked for 25 years in private sector rehabilitation and disability case management. He is currently the vice president of operations at Med NY Case Management Services in Buffalo. Previously, Passanese was the upstate New York regional manager at Crawford Healthcare Management Services.

LeAdelle Phelps (CSEP professor) received a 2007 SUNY Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Faculty Service for her outstanding service over a multiple-year period to the university, the community, and discipline-related professional organizations. She was also honored with the 2006 American Psychological Association’s Division 16 Jack Bardon Distinguished Service Award.

Roxana Reichman (Ph.D., 1996, ELP) has been working for the past decade as an assistant professor with tenure at Gordon Teachers College of Education in Haifa, Israel, and as a part-time lecturer at Haifa University. In Fall 2006, she was appointed academic director of graduate studies at Gordon Teachers College for their new M.Ed. degree in learning and instruction.

Rosanna Sandell (Ed.M., 2002, ELP) has been appointed the director of research and development for the Lockport City School District. For the past two years, she was the director of curriculum and staff development for the Alden Central School District. Previously, Sandell taught English for 10 years at Lockport High School and taught at North Park Middle School in the late 1970s.

Julie Sarama (LAI associate professor) and Douglas Clements (LAI professor) organized the research presession at the 84th Annual Meeting of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, St. Louis, MO.

Touorouzou Some (ELP doctoral student) received a New Scholar Dissertation Award at the 50th Annual Meeting of the Comparative and International Education Society, Honolulu, HI.

David Spence (Ph.D., 1975, ELP) has been awarded the Virginia B. Smith Innovative Leadership Award for 2006. The award recognizes individuals whose leadership in higher education has fostered better methods to educate people to participate in and improve an open and inclusive democratic society. From 1998 to 2005, Spence was the executive vice chancellor and chief academic officer of the California State University System, which included 23 campuses, over 400,000 students and 20,000 faculty. During that time, he developed a system-wide initiative to increase graduation rates and initiated and coordinated California’s Early Assessment Program, in which the college readiness of high school juniors is evaluated, and the results used to further prepare senior year students and adjust high school standards to focus on college readiness. Spence is currently president of the Southern Regional Education Board (SREB). The SREB was created by Southern states in 1948 to
help education and government leaders work together to advance education and thus improve the
social and economic life of the region. At SREB, Spence oversees the nation’s largest school
improvement network, the nation’s largest educational technology collaborative of state K-12 and
postsecondary agencies, and many other initiatives designed to help the organization’s 16 member
states lead the nation in educational progress.

Daniel Starr (Ed.D., 1998, ELP) is the new superintendent of the Corinth Central School District,
located at the foothills of the Adirondack Mountains. For the past three years, Starr was the
superintendent of the North Rose-Wolcott School District in Wolcott, NY.

Alexia Thompson (Ph.D., 2005, LAI) was elected second vice-president of the New York State
Association for Bilingual Education, where she is involved in state-wide bilingual and bilingual
special education initiatives. Thompson also reports that Buffalo State College’s Bilingual Special
Education University Improvement Project has received an increase in funding from the New York
State Education Department (NYSED). The additional funds are being used to (1) increase the
scope and accuracy of NYSED’s annual survey of enrollment and capacity in programs that lead to
certification in titles of interest in the Jose P. Class Action Suit and (2) to develop an online bilingual
extension for special education teachers and teachers of students with speech and language
disabilities. As part of the Jose P. Joint Strategic Plan, the project collects and disseminates data on
all personnel preparation programs in the state that lead to bilingual or monolingual certification or
licensure in teaching English to speakers of other languages, special education, speech-language
disabilities, blind or visually impaired, deaf or hard-of-hearing, school psychology, psychology,
occupational therapy, and physical therapy.

Tina Wagle (Ph.D., 2003, ELP), assistant professor at Empire State College, received a “40 Under
Forty Award” for 2006. The award, given each year by Business First, recognizes the professional
success and community involvement of 40 young leaders throughout Western New York. Wagle is
the local coordinator of Empire State College’s master of arts in teaching (MAT) program, which
brings adults who hold bachelor’s degrees into classrooms within one year, then provides them
extensive support for two additional years while they gain teaching experience and complete their
master’s degrees. She also has extensive community involvement, serving on the board of trustees at
Catholic Charities of Western New York and on the Bilingual Education Advisory Committee for
the Buffalo Public Schools.

Bogum Yoon (Ph.D., 2004, LAI) received the 2006 Graduate Student Research Award from the
American Educational Research Association’s (AERA) Middle Level Education Research Special
Interest Group. The award recognized her outstanding dissertation “Uninvited Guests: The Impact
of English and ESL Teachers’ Beliefs, Roles, and Pedagogies on the Identities of English Language
Learners.” Yoon was invited to present her research findings at the AERA annual meeting in San
Francisco on April 10, 2006.

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Please send your accomplishments by e-mail, in APA format (APA Style Manual - Fifth Edition) if
applicable, to GSE Assistant Dean Jenifer Lawrence at jlawrenc@buffalo.edu. Please remember that
(1) submissions may be edited for consistency and style considerations, and (2) accomplishments will
only be included one time in the Bulletin. For example, an article that is listed as (in press) will not
be recognized in a later Bulletin when the article is actually published. Thank you.

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