

**Rebecca Harrison, Ed.D
Assistant Professor
School of Education**



EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

**Ed.D. University of Georgia
Major: Educational Psychology and Instructional Technology;
Gifted and Creative Studies**

**M.Ed University of Georgia
Major: Early Childhood Education**

**B.A. Emmanuel College
Major: Middle Grades Education**

**B.A. Emmanuel College
Major: Christian Education**

TEACHING/ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

**Assistant Professor, School of Education Liberty University Online, March 09-
present**

Educational and Professional Development Consultant -2006- present
Work with schools to provide professional development in areas of diversity,
gifted education, and differentiated instruction

**Part time instructor, University of Virginia, Southwest Center Abingdon,
Virginia 2008- present**

- **Gifted endorsement courses**

**Gifted, Creative, and Talented Program Web Assistant
Graduate Assistant, University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia
Dept of Educational Psychology and Instructional Technology, July 2005 –
January 2007**

- Serve as a liaison between students and faculty
- Design, Organize, and post information to the web classes
- Help select course content for instructional use
- Provide support and training for online instructors
- Facilitate information to students concerning admissions and course content
- Evaluate course work

- Experience with Angel, Blackboard and Web CT online formats

Assistant Professor

Early Childhood Dept. Chair

School of Education Emmanuel College Franklin Springs, Georgia, July 2003 - August 2005

Classes taught:

- Principals of American Education
- Teaching in a Multicultural Society
- Educational Psychology
- Introduction to Education
- Reading for Early Childhood
- Diagnosis and Treatment of Reading Problems
- Math Methods for the Elementary Classroom
- Children's Literature
- Social Studies Methods for Early Childhood
- Behavior Management
- August Experience

Responsibilities:

- Supervisor of Early Childhood Student Teachers
- Created and taught training sessions for faculty
- Academic Advisor for 47 students
- Directed over 100 Early Childhood students
- Honor's Committee
- Multicultural Task Force Committee
- Strategic Planning Committee
- Instructional Technology Committee
- Governance Committee
- Served on committees to prepare for visits from both the Professional Standards Commission and Southern Association of Colleges and Schools accrediting agencies

Online Instructor

Grand Canyon University, Phoenix, Arizona May 2005- present
College of Education/Reading

Graduate Courses Taught:

- RDG 535 Descriptive Linguistics and Phonics
- RDG 540 Research Procedures
- RDG 510 Reading Curriculum and Instruction
- RDG 515 Children, Adolescence and Learning
- RDG 521 Development and Corrective Reading Process
- RDG 525 Literacy in a Multicultural Society
- RDG 580 Practicum in Reading
- RDG 509 Foundations of Reading

- EDU 523 Educational Psychology

Gifted Education Specialist
University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia
EPSY 7110, 7250, May 2005 – October 2006

Classroom Teacher
Lavonia Elementary School, Lavonia, Georgia 30553, August 1996 - June 2003

- Served as Lead Teacher of the Gifted
- Provided professional development for teachers of the gifted in my region
- Appointed 5th Grade Chair (3 years)
- Conducted all screening, testing and placement of gifted students
- Taught full time gifted and regular education classes in addition to my administrative responsibilities
- Mentored beginning teachers
- Hosted College Practicum students
- Supervised Student Teachers
- Worked with Special Education students on a daily basis
- Created and taught workshops for parents concerning their gifted children
- Prepared for visits from the Professional Standards Commission

PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE

Social Studies Endorsement
Reading Endorsement
Math Endorsement
Language Arts Endorsement
Gifted Endorsement
In-Tech Certification
Middle grades Certification -GA

PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION:

- Teacher of the Year (School level) nominee 2001,2002
- DAR Service Award
- Who's Who nominee Professional

SCHOLARLY ACTIVITY: PRESENTATIONS (Last 10 years)

Harrison, R. (March 2009) "I Never Knew That!" Using music to teach historical perspective.

Workshop for Southwest Virginia Teachers

Harrison, R. & Harris, W. (November 2006) Multiple Criteria in Georgia's Gifted Programs:

- Embracing the Advocacy of Dr. Mary Frasier. National Association for Gifted Children
53rd Annual Convention. Charlotte.**
- Harrison, R (May 2006) Meeting the needs of diverse gifted learners, Workshop for Athens
Teachers of the Gifted**
- Harrison, R. (March 2006). Training on Diversity and Talent Development: Views from Educators
in the Rural South Southeastern Psychological Association**
- Harrison, R. (2004). Taking Aim at Best Practices. GA SC Regional Teacher Training Session**
- Harrison, R.& Hollinshead, V. (2003) Self-Regulation of Tension, Rage, Excitement, and Stormy
Situations. Southeast Regional Association of Teacher Educators**
- Harrison, R. (2001-02) Organizer and Facilitator Topics: How to Reach Beyond the Standards,
Teaching Parents about their Child's Abilities, Another look at Technology in the Classroom
in order to meet the needs of the Gifted. Franklin County Schools Professional Staff/Parent
Training**
- Harrison, R. (2000). Making things Fit That Don't. Georgia Association of the Gifted**
- Harrison, R. (2000) Organizer and Facilitator: Leadership Training and Creativity.
Emmanuel College, Franklin Springs, GA**

SERVICE: PROFESSIONAL

Presentations:

Understanding the Emotional Needs of the Gifted: UGA Graduate Seminar
 Gifted Characteristics in the College Classroom: Emmanuel College
 Current In-Service presenter

Accreditation teams

SACS

PSC Visitation preparation

Other University Service

- Honor's Committee
- Multicultural Task Force Committee
- Strategic Planning Committee
- Instructional Technology Committee
- Governance Committee

Other Non-University Service

**Distance Course Development
UGA and UVA Gifted courses**

SERVICE: COMMUNITY

Volunteer: Salvation Army 1990- present

Volunteer/Tutor/ Mentor: Local schools 2003- present

Sunday School Teacher

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

TaskStream

ANGEL

Designer Training WebCT

Designer Training Blackboard

DIBLES

Reading First

State/National Conference attendance on a yearly basis

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- American Educational Research Association
- Georgia Association for Gifted Children
- Virginia Association for Gifted Children
- National Association of Gifted Children
- Association For Supervision and Curriculum Development
- National Middle School Association
- Southeastern Psychological Association