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ACADEMIC PREPARATION:

Ed.D. in Educational Administration, Auburn University, 1985 GPA: 4.00

Concentrations: Educational Leadership, Educational Personnel
Administration

Dissertation: *Relationships Between Specified Variables and Success of
Beginning Teachers in the Mobile County Public School System*

Advisor: Dr. John C. Walden

M.A. in Elementary Education, University of South Alabama, 1975

Field Study: *An Alabama Geography Curriculum: A Relationship Approach to
Geographic Education*

Advisor: Dr. A. Wayne Scrivner

B.S. in Elementary Education, University of South Alabama, 1974, *Magna Cum Laude*

Concentration: Mathematics

Advisor: Dr. A. Wayne Scrivner

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Professor, 2014 – present

Taught five undergraduate courses, advised graduate and undergraduate students,
supervised interns, served as Teacher Certification Officer, SACSCOC
Assessment Liaison, treasurer of the Alabama organization for Certification
officers, secretary of Faculty Development and Compensation Committee, and
member of the Curriculum Committee.

Associate Professor, 2007 – 2014

Taught eleven graduate and undergraduate courses, advised graduate and
undergraduate students, served as Teacher Certification Officer, Assessment
Liaison, and Secretary, Faculty Development and Compensation Committee.

Assistant Professor, 2001 – 2007

Taught twelve graduate and undergraduate courses, advised graduate and undergraduate students, served as Teacher Certification Officer, and served as Chair, Library and Information Technology Committee and member of the Academic Standards Committee.

Adjunct Professor, Fall Semester 2000

Division of Teacher Education, Spring Hill College
Courses: EDU 280 Children's Literature and EDU 328 Issues in Curriculum

Adjunct Professor, Spring Semester 2000 – Summer Sessions 2001

School of Education, University of Mobile
Courses: TE 417 Reading in the Content Area, TE 510 Curriculum Development, and TE 520 Tests and Measurements

Training Coordinator, 1999

University of South Alabama Foundation, PrimeHealth, Inc.

Principal, 1994 – 1998

Mobile County Public School System, Orchard Elementary

Assistant in the Certificated Personnel Office, Summer 1993 and Summer 1994

Mobile County Public School System, Central Office at Barton Academy

Assistant Principal, 1987-1994

Mobile County Public School System, Dixon and Orchard Elementary Schools

Instructional Specialist, 1981 – 1987

Mobile County Public School System, Alba, Dixon, Hollinger's Island, Morningside, and Dauphin Island Elementary Schools

Administrative Intern, 1980-1981

Mobile County Public School System, Central Office at Barton Academy
Business, Public Relations, and Human Resources Divisions

Public School Teacher, 1974 – 1980

Mobile County Public School System, Glendale and Austin Elementary Schools

Graduate Assistant, 1973-1974

College of Education, University of South Alabama

PRESENTATIONS:

School Renewal: An Alternative Means to SACS Accreditation

Presented at the Principals' Academy, Gulf Shores, AL, 1997

If Your Tests Were Graded, Would You Make an A?

Presented, along with Ann Adams, to the SHC faculty, Mobile AL, 2004

Creating Bully-Free Learning Environments

Presented at the Alabama State Association of Physical Education and Recreation Conference, Birmingham, AL, 2008

Using Children's Books to Enhance Learning

Presented at the Kappa Delta Pi Convocation, Orlando, FL, 2009

Promoting Literacy Throughout the Community

Presented at the Southeast Regional International Reading Association Conference, New Orleans, LA, 2010

Promoting Productive Partnerships

Presented at the American Association of Colleges of Teacher Education, Orlando, FL, 2013

Using the Interactive Read Aloud with Historical Fiction and Nonfiction to

Promote Knowledge and Writing in the Content Area, Alabama Reading Association Conference, Mobile, AL, 2013.

Utilizing Developmentally Appropriate Hands-On Instructional Activities to

Improve Religious Education, professional development workshop for instructors, The Springhill Avenue Temple, Mobile, AL, 2014

Creating Meaningful Learning by Using Authentic, Active Instructional Activities,

The Teaching Professor Conference, New Orleans, LA, 2015.

PUBLICATIONS:

Rowan, L. O. 2007. Making Classrooms Bully-Free Zones: Practical Suggestions

for Educators. *Kappa Delta Pi Record* 43(4) 182-185.

Rowan, L. O. 2010. Six Simple Strategies for Differentiating Instruction. *New Teacher Advocate* 18(1) 6-7.

Rowan, L. O. 2010. *Today Is Field Trip Day: Discovering Mobile*. Bloomington, IN: Xlibris.

Rowan, L. O. 2011. *From Mounds to Mansions: Discovering Tuscaloosa*. Bloomington, IN: Xlibris.

Rowan, L.O. 2012. Managing Your Classroom Effectively: Step-by-Step. *New Teacher Advocate* 20(1) 12-13.

Rowan, L.O. 2013. Parents As Partners: Successful Teacher Conference. *New Teacher Advocate* 21(1) 4-5.

Rowan, L.O. 2014. Active Learning: Keeping Students Involved and Engaged. *New Teacher Advocate* 21(2) 12-13.

Rowan, L.O. 2016. Seven Habits of Highly Professional Educators. *New Teacher Advocate* 23(3) 6-7.

HONOR SOCIETY MEMBERSHIPS:

Kappa Delta Pi, International Honor Society in Education
Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society

MEMBERSHIPS IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:

International Reading Association, 2003 – Present
Mobile Association of Retired Teachers, 1998 - Present
Council for Exceptional Children, 2006 - 2009
American for Supervision and Curriculum Development, 2010 – Present
American Association for Colleges of Teacher Education, 2003 – Present
Council for Leaders in Alabama Schools, 2010 – 2013

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE:

President, Board of Directors, Literacy Coalition of South Alabama
Treasurer, Certification Officers and Personnel in Education (COPE)
Vice-President, Mobile Retired Teachers Association
Counselor, Alpha Beta Alpha chapter, Kappa Delta Pi Honor Society
Member, Lt. Governor Folsom's Education Task Force
Member, Board of Directors, Mobile Aids Support Services (MASS)

HONORS AND AWARDS:

Awarded fellowship at University of South Alabama, 1973 - 1974
Graduated *Magna Cum Laude*, 1974
Mortar Board, 1973
Kappa Delta Pi, 1974
University of South Alabama nominee, Catherine Cooper Cater Award, 1983
President's Award, Literacy Coalition of South Alabama, 2009
"Distinguished New Member", Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society, 2013

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING UNITS:

Standard I: *Planning for Continuous Improvement*, 2012
Standard II: *Teaching and Learning: Using Data for Instructional Decisions*, 2011
Standard IV: *Diversity: Responding to Multicultural and Ethnic Needs*, 2011

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS:

Leadership Certificate, Alabama Class AA – Superintendent-Principal, P -12
Current and Valid

Professional Certificate, Alabama Class A – Elementary Education, K - 9
Current and Valid

Professional Certificate, Alabama Class B – Elementary Education, K - 9
Current and Valid