

Elisa Hopkins

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

- Ph.D. 2007 The Pennsylvania State University, Curriculum and Instruction
Adviser: Daniel Hade
Dissertation: *Sharing Multicultural Poetry with Elementary Education Students: A Teacher Inquiry into Developing Critical Consciousness*
- M.A. 1991 The Florida State University, English
Adviser: Sheila Ortiz Taylor
Thesis: *Window Imagery in Selected Works of Virginia Woolf*
- B.A. 1982 The College of William and Mary, English

Professional Experience

June 2007 to present **The Pennsylvania State University, College of Education, University Park, Pennsylvania**

Assistant Professor of Education, Department of Curriculum and Instruction
Teaching children's literature courses. Courses taught include Teaching Children's Literature, Myth and Folklore for Children (World Campus), The Art of the Picturebook (residence and World Campus), Studies in Children's Literature (World Campus), Doing Research in Children's Literature (World Campus), Doing Scholarship in Children's Literature (World Campus); director of two Schreyer Honors College students' honors projects in Teaching Children's Literature (2008); coordinator of Teaching Children's Literature (2007-2008).

August 2002 -May 2007 **The Pennsylvania State University, College of Education, University Park, Pennsylvania**

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Curriculum and Instruction
Instructor of Teaching Children's Literature. From Fall 2004 to May 2007 duties also included coordination for the course.

- Fall 2001 **The Florida State University, College of Education, Tallahassee, Florida**
- Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Educational Theory and Practice*
Instructor of Language Arts in the Elementary School
- 1996-2001 **North Florida Community College, Madison, Florida**
- Academic Coordinator, Student Support Services.* October 1996 to June 2001.
Lab instructor for developmental labs in reading and writing; supervised tutors for
scheduled and open labs; provided academic advisement; assisted the Student
Support Services project director with duties as assigned
- Instructor of Developmental Writing, English Department.* August 2000 to
December 2000. Instructor of Basic Writing Skills
- Instructor of Developmental Reading, English Department.* August 1998 to
December 2000. Instructor of Basic Reading Skills
- 1993-1996 **CMS/Data, Tallahassee, Florida**
- Technical Writer*
Researched and developed user documentation for CMS OPEN, a financial
management system for law firms; compiled online help files
- 1991-1993 **Information Systems of Florida, Tallahassee, Florida**
- Staff Coordinator*
Provided technical writing services for software development projects; prepared
interview and workshop summaries, process narratives, reports, and manuals;
developed online help screens; developed data flow diagrams; coordinated staff
assignments; assisted with marketing activities
- 1990-1991 **Florida Department of Education, Division of Community Colleges,
Tallahassee, Florida**
- Assistant Project Director, Allied Health Articulation Project.* July 1990 to July
1991. Assisted in planning task force and subcommittee meetings; performed
project-related research and writing, including the preparation of a major report;
assisted in coordinating efforts for a statewide teleconference
- Assistant to the Director of Legislative Affairs.* March 1990 to July 1990.
Assisted the director in tracking legislation; performed other duties as assigned

1987-1989 **The Florida State University, College of Arts and Sciences,
Tallahassee, Florida**

Graduate Teaching Assistant, English Department

Instructor of Freshman Composition and Rhetoric, and Freshman Writing about Literature; tutor at the Reading/Writing Center

Book Reviews

- 2006 Hopkins, Lisa. Review of *Weeknights at the Cathedral* by Marjorie Maddox. WPSU-FM, Penn State Public Broadcasting, BookMark, August 30 and September 3, 2006. <http://wpsu.org/radio/bookmark.php>
- 2006 Hopkins, Lisa. Review of *A Maze Me: Poems for Girls* by Naomi Shihab Nye, illustrated by Terre Maher. WPSU-FM, Penn State Public Broadcasting, BookMark, April 26 and 30, 2006. <http://wpsu.org/radio/bookmark.php>
- 2006 Hopkins, Lisa. Review of *A Wreath for Emmett Till* by Marilyn Nelson, illustrated by Philippe Lardy. WPSU-FM, Penn State Public Broadcasting, BookMark, March 1 and 5, 2006. <http://wpsu.org/radio/bookmark.php>
- 2003 Hopkins, Lisa. Review of *The Magic Hat* by Mem Fox, illustrated by Tricia Tusa. *E-Bridges*. PSU College of Education Children's Book Reviews, November 2003. <http://www.ed.su.edu/news/bookrev1.asp>

Presentations

- 2009 Hopkins, Lisa. Paper Presentation: Mother Goose on a Mission: Developing Critical Consciousness with "Hard-Hitting" Rhymes in *The Inner City Mother Goose*. Poetry and Childhood at the British Library, April 21-22, London, UK. This paper represents a portion of my dissertation.
- 2006 Hopkins, Lisa with Jamie Tsai and Eunja Yun. Panel Presentation: Opening Spaces for Transformation and Agency: Developing Critical Consciousness through Literature for Young People. Paper: Drawing Upon Multicultural Poetry for Children and Adolescents. Children's Literature Association 33rd Annual Conference, June 8-10, Manhattan Beach, California.
- 2005 Hopkins, Lisa with Mandy Chou, Teresita Santiago, and Eunja Yun. Break-Out Session: New Books for Primary Grades. Children's Literature Matters Conference, April 8-9, 2005, The Pennsylvania State University, University Park.
- 2004 Hopkins, Lisa (Chair) with Jamie Tsai and Eunja Yun. Panel Presentation: Paying Attention to the World and Interpreting through Memory: Children's Literature for Social Justice. Paper: Naomi Shihab Nye: Hope for Human

Connection and Peace. National Council of Teachers of English Annual Convention, November 18-23, Indianapolis, Indiana.

2004 Hopkins, Lisa with Mandy Chou, Teresita Santiago, and Eunja Yun. Break-Out Session: New Books for Primary Grades. Children's Literature Matters Conference, May 7-8, 2004, The Pennsylvania State University, University Park.

2003 Hopkins, Lisa with Mandy Chou and Jamie Tsai. Break-Out Session: New Books for Primary Grades. Children's Literature Matters Conference, April 11-12, 2003, The Pennsylvania State University, University Park.

Awards and Honors

Eva Diefenderfer Graduate Fellowship in the College of Education, The Pennsylvania State University, 2003-2004

Pi Lambda Theta International Honor Society and Professional Association in Education, The Pennsylvania State University, 2003

Eva Diefenderfer Graduate Fellowship in the College of Education, The Pennsylvania State University, 2002-2003

Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society, The Florida State University, 1990

Kappa Delta Pi Honor Society in Education, The College of William and Mary, 1982

Service

2008 Co-presenter with Karla Schmit in EdLion session, New Nonfiction Children's Books with Technology Connections for Grades Three to Five, Penn State University, College of Education, December 4, 2008

2007 Coordinator for poet, illustrator, and author Ashley Bryan's visits with a Penn State Teaching Children's Literature class and with the public at Schlow Centre Region Library, State College, Pennsylvania, June 29, 2007

2007 Co-presenter with Steven Herb in EdLion session, New Children's Books for the Elementary Grades, Penn State University, College of Education, March 21, 2007

2007 Chair. Lee Bennett Hopkins Poetry for Children Award for Children's Poetry, Penn State University Libraries and the Pennsylvania Center for the Book

Professional Memberships

Children's Literature Association

International Reading Association

National Council of Teachers of English