

Barbara Fiehn
School Library Media Educator

Western Kentucky University
Bowling Green KY

Academic Credentials/Degrees

2003 Ed. D. Educational Leadership Ed.D. Saint Mary's University of Minnesota
Dissertation: Implementation of Continuous Improvement in Library Media Centers
1988 - 1994 Twelve semester hours, graduate level education classes
1972 - 1980 Forty quarter credit hours graduate level classes in Information Media
1972 Masters of Science Degree, Information Media, Minnesota State University-St. Cloud
1969 Bachelor of Science Degree, History, Library Science, Audio Visual Education, Minnesota State University-St. Cloud

Universities Attended

Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Illinois
Saint Mary's University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota (Ed. D.)
University of Nebraska Lincoln, Nebraska
Hamline University St. Paul, Minnesota
University of Minnesota Minneapolis, Minnesota
St. Cloud State University St. Cloud, Minnesota (BS, MS)
Mankato State University Mankato, Minnesota
Winona State University Winona, Minnesota

Professional Experience

2008 – Present Assistant Professor, Library Media Education, School of Teacher Education, Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, Kentucky.

Responsibilities: Teaching courses leading to Library Information Specialist state certification. NCATE approved program. Courses taught: Children's Literature, (LME 318), Young Adult Education (LME 407), Advanced Children's Literature (518), Special Topics in Educational Technology (LME 519), Thematic Young Adult Literature (527), Practicum (590).

2001 – 2008 Assistant Professor, Educational Technology, Research and Assessment, College of Education, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Illinois.

Responsibilities: Teaching courses leading to Library Information Specialist state certification and endorsement. NCATE approved program. Courses taught: cataloging of library materials (ETT 504), school library media center administration (ETT 533), reference services (ETT 508), children's materials (ETT 527), collection development (ETT 507), online searching (ETT 549), instructional technology facilities design (ETT 573), integrating technology into the curriculum (ETT 402 and 401a). Courses taught face-to-face and blended distance education using Blackboard, LiveText, Adobe Connect. Supervise Library Information Specialist (LIS) certification student field experiences, coordinated Prairie Area Library System/NIU LIS certification cohort (ITV distance learning).

Committee member: department and college curriculum, Northern Illinois University (NIU) Children's Literature Conference (rotating chair), NIU Press advisory board, Blackwell Education History Museum Board, Department Library Representative.

2001 Summer – Guest instructor, Library Media Education, Mankato State University, Mankato, Minnesota.

Taught School Library Media Program Administration

1995 - 2001 Coordinator Media Services Rochester Public Schools, Rochester, Minnesota.

Coordinated the Library Media Services for 16 elementary and 7 secondary sites. Worked cooperatively with Technology and Television Services in order to provide instructional support services to staff and students. Managed the District Media Collection. Provided in-service training and staff development in Library services and Technology. Wrote and administered local and LSTA grants.

1995 – 2001 Adjunct Assistant Professor, Library Media Education, Mankato State University, Mankato, Minnesota.

Taught off campus, ITV, and on campus classes including School Library Media Program, Media Center Management, and Instructional Technology. Supervised internships and provided mentorship for media specialists in their first years of experience.

1994 - 1995 Assistant Professor, Library Media Education, Mankato State University, Mankato, Minnesota.

Courses taught: Library Orientation, Production and Utilization of Materials, Materials Selection, School Media Services, Library Media Program Administration, and Instructional Technology.

1986 - 1994 Elementary Media Specialist Clinton Elementary, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Managed school media center, member Reading Committee, in-service staff and students in media center - classroom integration and new information technologies, building chair-DeWitt Wallace Reader's Digest Foundation Library Power Committee, member of district Social Studies Curriculum Review committee.

1980 Substitute Teacher, Elementary and Secondary, Lincoln Public Schools, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Taught in middle school social studies and school library media centers.

1978 - 1980 Library Media Consultant Area Education Agency 13, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Provided audio-visual and library consultative services to 35 school districts, including instructional/curriculum design, program development, facilities design, staff and student in-service, selection and purchasing assistance.

1978 Summer Instructor, Moorhead State University Moorhead, Minnesota.

Taught Library Media Center services course including student instruction, current trends, and collection promotion.

1976 Summer Instructor, St. Cloud State University, St. Cloud, Minnesota.

Taught basic course in audio visual communication including communication theory, materials preparation, and equipment operation.

1973-1978 Library Media Supervisor, Randolph Public Schools, Randolph, Minnesota.

Developed and administered K - 12 Library Media Center programs for school district, including facility and philosophy change from traditional library program to integrated Instructional Media program.

1971 Graduate Assistant - Supervisor, Media Production St. Cloud State University, St. Cloud, Minnesota.

Supervised campus materials production lab, including photographic and graphic production, audio and video production. Acted as liaison between Ampex Corporation installation crew and the Library Media Staff during installation of a remote random access information retrieval system.

1969 -1973 Library Media Generalist, Cambridge-Isanti Public Schools Cambridge, Minnesota.

Set up a new K-6 Library Media Center in a new building. Sorted and cataloged materials from a consolidating school district. Developed an elementary library skills instructional program.

License

Minnesota Certification: Media Supervisor, Media Generalist, History 7-12

Nebraska Certification: Supervisor K - 12, Media Specialist K - 12, History 7 - 12

Special Training

Total Quality Management/Continuous Improvement in Education

Chadwick Consensus Model for group decision making

Site Based Decision Making

Instructional Design using the Madeline Hunter model.

National Diffusion Network project Books and Beyond, training and demonstration site coordinator.

Systems Design for Instructional and Curriculum Design, Segments I, II, and IV, in workshops from University of Indiana.

Grant Involvement

2007-2008 LSTA grant "Here's the Evidence: School Librarians Help Students Achieve"

A pilot project in Illinois conducted by the DuPage and North Suburban Library Systems and their academic partners, National Lewis University, Skokie, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, and Dominican University, River Forest that teaches school librarians to assess 21st century information skills, develop evidence of what students have achieved through library instruction and leverage that evidence to share with other stakeholders.

Roles: Grant writer, consultant, presenter, mentor

2006 -2008 Federal Grant review: Improving Literacy Through School Libraries (LSL) proposal review.

2003-2007 PT3 grants

Three-year project funded by Preparing Tomorrow's Teachers to Use Technology (PT3). The consortium's project is designed to promote pre-service teachers' ability to effectively and meaningfully engage students in learning by immersing them in technology rich learning environments in college classrooms and clinical experiences.

The Integrating Technology, Assessment, And Research (ITAAR) project is project is a \$1.5 million, U.S. Department of Education funded PT3 grant. The goal of the ITAAR project is to prepare pre-service teachers capable of solving student achievement problems through technology-supported, evidence-based decision-making.

Roles: Student, presenter

Consultant Activities

Woodstock, IL, August 2007 program and collection development

Crystal Lake, IL August 2007 facility arrangement/program development

Leland Community Schools, 2007 automation and cataloging

Kankakee, IL 2007 summer library training workshop

Dekalb, IL public schools 2006- 2008

Staff development, policy and procedures review and revision

Laraway, IL public schools 2006-2008

Revitalization plan for library media center and general program consultation

Smith Elementary School, Aurora, 2005-2007

Site visits to assist in media center redevelopment, collection analysis, and weeding, remodeling planning. 21st Century Classroom development for 5th grade. Bilingual 2nd grade 21st Century classroom curriculum materials.

Huntley Community Schools, IL 2005-06

New media center floor plan arrangement

Leland Community Schools, IL 2005-06

Weeding and Automation consultation

District 47 Crystal Lake: Fall 2004 - 2005

Worked with k-8 teachers developing Internet use skills and planning for the use of the Internet in the classroom, Copyright, and graphic novels.

Professional Recognition-Participation

2010-2012 Member American Library Association Intellectual Freedom Committee

2005-2008 Intellectual Freedom Function Chair, Illinois School Library Media Association

2007 Nominated for Library Journal / Proquest Teaching Award

2007 Nominated for ISLMA Polestar Award (Contribution to the profession)

1993-94 Literacy Chair Eastern Nebraska Reading Council

1992-93 Secretary/Treasurer, School, Children's and Young People's Section of the Nebraska Library Association

1991 Friend of Literacy Award, Eastern Nebraska Reading Association

1990 Manager, NDEA Demonstration site for Books and Beyond.

1979 Phi Delta Kappa Initiation.

1977 Secretary, Minnesota Educational Media Association

1972 Teacher of the Year, building level, Cambridge-Isanti Schools

Professional Memberships

American Library Association – on going
American Association of School Librarians – on going

Professional Presentations

National/International Presentations

American Association of School Librarians

October 26-30, Minneapolis, MN

School Librarian as Ethics Role Model

Charleston Conference, November 3-6, 2010. Charleston, SC

Where are the LGBT children's books? (International)

American Association of School Librarians

November 5-8, 2009. Charlotte, North Carolina

[Master's students in Library Media Conducting Research to Improve Learning in the Media Center](#)

AASL Conference, Pittsburg, PA. 2005

Presented: Managing School Library Media Centers for Student Success, Do your students only Google, Yahoo, and Ask Jeeves

AECT Annual Conference, Chicago, IL 2004

Presented: Quality Management for school library media programs and Graphic Novels for Elementary Schools

State/Regional Presentations

School of Teacher Education Summer Conference, June 22, 2011, Bowling Green, KY

International Children's Digital Library

ISLMA Annual Conference, October 28-30, 2010. St. Charles, IL.

Elementary Children and Science Fiction

Questions about E-books and school library collections.

Kentucky School Library Media Fall Conference, Sept 17-18, 2010. Louisville, KY

Almost everything you want to know about E-Books

*30th Annual Children's Literature Conference: 30 Years of Imagination

March 11-12, 2010. DeKalb, IL

[Science Fiction: Early Elementary Students and Imagination](#)

*DuKane School Library Institute

February 26, 2010, Glenn Ellyn, IL

[Tyranny of Change in a Web 2.0 World](#)

[Everything You Always Wanted to Know About E-Books](#)

ISLMA Annual Conference

October 29-31, 2009. Springfield, IL

[Tyranny of Change in a Web 2.0 World](#)

[Primary Students, Science Fiction, and the Curriculum](#)

KSMA Summer Refresher

July 20-21, 2009. Georgetown, KY

[Science Fiction in the Elementary Classroom](#)

[Graphic Novels and Elementary Students](#)

Library Media Education Practitioners' Conference

Wednesday, June 24, 2009. Bowling Green, KY

[Notable Graphic Novels for Elementary School Students](#)

Children's Literature Conference, March 2008, Northern Illinois University, Chair

ISLMA Fall Conference 2007, Springfield, IL

Presented Elementary Graphic Novels Update Workshop, breakout sessions: Before the Censor Comes, Pathfinders: Scaffolds for student success.

Children's Literature Conference, March 2007, Northern Illinois University, Committee Member

*Dupage-Kane Spring Institute Day, March 2007

Presented breakout sessions: Before the Censor Comes and After the Censor Comes

ISLMA Fall Conference 2006, Arlington Heights, Illinois

Presented: Graphic Novels for Elementary Students, Keeping Mentally Healthy, Handling Materials Challenges

Children's Literature Conference, March 2006, Northern Illinois University, Committee Member

ISLMA Fall Conference 2005, Decatur, Illinois

Presented: Graphic novels in elementary school media centers, Pros and Cons (Pre-conference half day workshop) and Data Driven Decision Making in the School Media Center

South East Libraries Cooperating (SELCO) What about Graphic Novels for the Elementary

School (two repeat sessions) Rochester, MN, March 16, 2005

Children's Literature Conference, March, 2005, Northern Illinois University, Committee Member

ISLMA Fall Conference 2004, Arlington Heights, Illinois

Presented: Successful Online Searching, Pre-conference workshop and Graphic Novels for the Elementary Media Center

MEMO (MN Ed. Media Organization) Fall Conference, St. Cloud, MN, September/ October 2, 2004

Presented Graphic Novels: An Exciting new medium for elementary school media centers

School Libraries: Looking Ahead Leading the Way, ISLMA Fall Conference 2003, Decatur, Illinois

2003 ISLMA Fall Conference, October, 2002 Arlington Heights, Illinois

2000 Presenter, MEMO Fall Conference, "Curb-Cuts to the Information Highway: ADA Compliant WEB sites."

2000 Reaction Panel, Minitex "E-Book Conference."

1999 Presenter, MEMO Fall Conference, "The Effects of Rapidly Changing Student Populations on School Media Centers."

1996 Presenter National Education Computer Conference (NECC) "Technology Education for Pre-service Teachers."

1995 Presenter MEMO Technology Conference "CD ROM and Electronic Acquisition Tools."

*1994 Presenter Eastern Nebraska Regional Library Systems Retreat "Flexible Scheduling and Cooperative Planning."

1993 Presenter In-service Program for School TeleLearning Services via Satellite broadcast.

1993 Presenter, NLA/NEMA Fall Conference "Crisis Issue Books for Children."

1993 Presenter, Nebraska Reading Council Conference "Crisis Issue Books for Children."

1992 Presenter, NETA Conference "Elementary CD ROM Products."

1991 Presenter, Whole Language Conference, University of Nebraska, Lincoln.

1989 Presenter, NEMA/NLA Fall Conference.

Professional Development/Participation

GREEC Workshops

Day of Discovery for Library Media Specialists September 22, 2011

Google Workshop for Educators September 14, 2011

The edWeb.net Consortium for Online Communities of Practice

Banned Sites Week September 14, 2011, webinar

eBooks, eReaders and the Role of Mobile Devices April 13, 2011, webinar

Exploring eBooks for K-12 online community ongoing discussion

Engaging the Spirit 2010, Continuing Education Program

LTYC / LME Annual Conference, June 24, 2010

Engaging the Spirit 2009, Continuing Education Program

American Library Association 2009 Conference, July 11 -16, Chicago, IL.

Preparing for a QM Review: Workshop for Online Teachers

Sally Kuhlenschmidt. Sept. 10, 2009

2008 Symposium on Gifted Education, Sept. 16-17, Shakertown, KY.

Engaging the Spirit 2008, Continuing Education Program

New Faculty Orientation 2008, Workshop

2001 An Information Odyssey, October 25-27, 2001. Fall Conference of ISLMA. Decatur, Illinois

Conference on Copyright and Intellectual Property Issues for Online Instruction, September 2001

Presented by Faculty Development and Instructional Design Center, Northern Illinois University

Cooperative Learning Workshop, Dr. Roger Johnson, University of Minnesota, August 17, 2001,

Presented by Faculty Development and Instructional Design Center, Northern Illinois University.

Professional Service

Committees

International/National

ALA Midwinter meetings and conference – Intellectual Freedom Committee

Jan 7-11, 2011. San Deigo, CA.

State/Regional

Illinois School Library Media Association

Intellectual Freedom Function Chair 2005 – 2008

University/College/

Children's Literature Conference, March 12, 2008, Northern Illinois University, Chair

Children's Literature Conference, March 12, 2007, Northern Illinois University, Committee

Children's Literature Conference, March 12, 2006, Northern Illinois University, Committee

College of Education Curriculum committee, Northern IL University 2006-2008

Children's Literature Conference, March 12, 2005, Northern Illinois University, Committee

Children's Literature Conference, March 12, 2004, Northern Illinois University, Chair

Children's Literature Conference, March 14, 2003, Northern Illinois University, Committee Member

Young Adult Literature Conference: Historical Literature, September 28, 2002, Northern Illinois University, Co-Chair

Department/Program

New Course development LME 592 and program revision, point person for program Academic Expo for Spring Preview Day, January 29, 2011.

Student recruitment activity.

LME 318 Critical Performance Revision, Committee Chair. (April 2010 - July 2010).

Meet with faculty and adjunct faculty teaching LME 318 to analyze the critical performance assignment and decide if it should be revised and how it should be revised. Agreed on new textbook and use of online assist materials. Revised and submitted critical performance assignment for implementation in Fall 2010.

Department, Literacy/LME Spring Conference, Committee Member. (August 2009 - June 23, 2010).

Develop registration materials for 2010 conference, work with subcommittee to develop website for the conference. Work registration table at conference

College, Diversity Taskforce, Committee Member, (October 2009 - May 2010).

Developed a statement of diversity dispositions for the School of Teacher Education.

Program, Western Region KY School Library Media. (May 14, 2010).

Represent LME program, talk about Literacy/LME conference. Introduce myself to region's school library media specialists.

Program, KY Public Library Conference. (March 2010 - April 16, 2010).

Design display and gather materials, set up and be at table during the last morning of the conference

Program, Majors/Minors Fair, Student Recruiter, (September 23, 2009).

Attend fair and talk to students about the LME minor.

Program, Annual Library Media Education Practitioners Conference, Committee Member, No, neither. (March 2009 - June 2009).

Responsible for registrations and other duties as needed

Plan conference

Library Faculty Committee (2009-2010)

Represent the Instructional Design track of the LME program in issues of selection of library materials.

College, Educational Resource Center. (March 2009 - 2010).

Assisted with weeding collection in preparation for move to new building, worked with ERC staff in planning for move including planning for collection placement, meeting with WKU library staff.

NCATE Review document preparation, Committee Member, (2009)

Read reports prepared by others in program, edited for clarity and proof reading

Completed NCATE reports on time

Service to the professional community

Kentucky Journal on Excellence in College Teaching, Reviewer, Journal Article, (July 2011).

Review submitted manuscript for publication

Hart County Public Schools Teaching with Technology Award, April 27, 2011

Observe teachers and judge lessons for educational technology infusion

Kentucky Journal on Excellence in College Teaching, Reviewer, Journal Article, (August 2010).

Review submitted manuscript for publication

Hart County Public Schools, (April 15, 2010).

Read and commented on Literacy through School Libraries Grant for Hart County schools.

Butler Country School District, (March 2010 - April 15, 2010).

Read and commented on drafts of Butler County's Literacy through School Libraries grant application.

American Library Association, We the People Grant, National. (February 5, 2010 - February 19, 2010).

Grant application reviewer

Northern IL Univeristy, New Faculty mentor, Government, DeKalb, IL, (March 2009 - July 2009).

Mentored new adjunct faculty who were teaching Children's Literature and Reference services courses. Reviewed syllabus and course materials and assignments with them.

Mentor new adjunct faculty who will be teaching the library cataloging class I taught.

Reviewed syllabus and shared course materials I had developed. Discussed strategies for labs, final assignment, location of lab software.

Kentucky Journal on Excellence in College Teaching, Reviewer, Journal Article, appointed, (April 2009).

Review submitted manuscript for publication

Preacademic

1996-98 Member of District Multicultural Committee.

1996-97 Finance Chair MEMO 1997 Fall Conference.

1992 - 93 Media Center Facilities Study Committee.

1992 - 93 Media Middle School Transition Team.

1991 - 93 Multi-Cultural Display Committee.

1991 - 92 Building - Reading Committee.

1987-91 Chair, Clinton Books and Beyond Committee.

Publications

(access available publications at <http://people.wku.edu/barbara.fiehn/Publications.html>)

*Fiehn, B. & Suzuki, T. (2011). *Evaluation LGBT books for the primary classroom*. Dragon Lode. (in press)

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- Fiehn, B. (2008). Social networking and your library OPAC! *Multimedia and Internet@Schools*, (15)5.
- Fiehn, B. (2007). Library automation revisited. *Multimedia and Internet@Schools*, (14)5.
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- Fiehn, B. (2004) The Voice of Users: Perspectives on School Library Automation. *Multimedia and Internet @Schools*, (11)4, 20- 25.
- Fiehn, B. (2004). Federated searching: A viable alternative to web surfing. *Multimedia and Internet@Schools*, (11)2, 29-31.
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- Fiehn, B. "Video police or insurance" *MEMORandom*, February, 1999, page 2.
- Fiehn, B. "A MARC record by any other name" *MEMORandom*, January, 1999.
- Fiehn, B. "Research - More Than the Final Product" *Minnesota Media*, June, 1995
- Fiehn, B. "School TeleLearning Services Utilization" *Nebraska Library Quarterly*, Spring, 1994

Fiehn, B. "The Team Approach: STS and The Library Media Specialist" Nebraska Department of Education, NebSat II Production, Inservice Video, 1994.

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