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Education

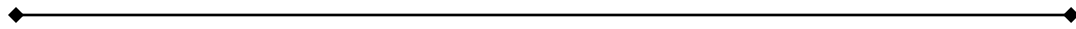
PhD, Philosophy of Early Childhood Education Walden University A grounded theory on spiritual development for US early childhood educators (Amie Beckett, advisor)	2013
M.Ed., Curriculum and Instruction Cleveland State University Emphasis in Early Childhood Education	1994
Assumption Montessori Training, Ravenhill Academy; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Association Montessori Internationale (AMI)	1974
B.S., Psychology University of Southern California at Santa Barbara	1971

Higher Education Work Experience

Adjunct Instructor Siegal College of Jewish Studies Teaching undergraduate courses in early childhood Jewish teacher education, supervision of field students, facilitator of Jewish Reggio Study Group	2004–2011
Online Instructor Gratz College, Philadelphia, PA Taught undergraduate courses in early childhood teacher education, supervised field students	2005–2006
Instructor Lake Erie College Taught undergraduate courses in early childhood teacher education, supervised field students	2004–2005
Instructor Cuyahoga Community College, Cleveland, OH Taught undergraduate courses in early childhood teacher education, supervised field students	2002–2003
Adjunct Instructor Chestnut Hill College Montessori Philosophy and Child Development	Fall 2001
Adjunct Instructor Montgomery Community College, Blue Bell, PA Taught undergraduate courses in early childhood teacher education, supervised field students	1983–1985

Adjunct Instructor
San Bernardino Community College, CA

1978–1983



Other Professional Experience

Consultant for JCC, Temple Ohev Shalom, Community Day School,
all under the Agency for Jewish Learning, Pittsburgh, PA **Aug. 2013–present**

Consultant for Beth Shalom early childhood program, Pittsburgh, PA **Jan.–Aug. 2013**

Director and teacher at Shaker Cooperative Nursery School
at Heights Christian Church, Shaker Heights, OH **Sept 2010–2012**

Early Childhood Consultant, Jewish Education Center of Cleveland **2000–present**

Early Childhood Consultant, Greater Cleveland Neighborhood
Centers Association **2006 – 2009**

Early Childhood Professional Development Instructor
for professional development ODE **2007 – 2009**

Co-seminar planner and Faculty Jewish
Community Center Association – Lekhu Lakhem **2005–2007**

Early Childhood Director Goodrich–Gannett
Neighborhood Center **2003–2004**

Montessori Head Start Teacher, Laura Waring
Elementary School, Philadelphia, PA **2001–2002**

Teacher and Early Childhood Coordinator,
Agnon School, Cleveland, OH **1991–2001**

Kindergarten Teacher, Solomon Schechter Day School
Philadelphia, PA **1985–1991**



Publications

Schein, D. L. (in press). Practices that Nurture Young Jewish Children’s Spiritual Development. Special edition of CCAR Journal.

Schein, D. L. (in press) Research and Reflections on the Spiritual Development of Young Jewish Children, Special early childhood edition of NJRE.

Schein, D. (in press) Spiritual Development and Nature. In M. S. Rivkin, The great outdoors. Washington DC: NAEYC.

Schein, D. L. (2012). Early Childhood Educators’ Perceptions of Spiritual Development in Young Children: A Social Constructivist Grounded Theory Study (Doctoral dissertation). Retrieved from ProQuest Dissertations and Theses. (Accession Order No. waldenu13144)

Wilson, R.A., & Schein, D. (Accepted for publication in Exchange Magazine). Supporting the Spiritual Development of Young Children.

Handelman, M., & Schein, D. (2004). What's Jewish about Butterflies? Denver: A.R.E. Publishers.

Schein, D. (2001). Building home-school connections through surveys. In Schein, J., & Schiller, J. S. (Eds.), Growing together (pp.183-187). Denver: A.R.E. Publications.

Schein, D. (2001). Tu B'Shevat breakfast. In Schein, J., & Schiller, J. S. (Eds.), Growing together (pp.191-193). Denver: A.R.E. Publications



Licenses and Awards

Student Appreciating Teachers/Staff Award; Eastern Campus Student Senate, Cuyahoga Community College	2003
National Board for Professional Teaching Standards, Early Childhood General	2001
Governor's Educational Leadership Award	2001
State of Ohio, Department of Education Teacher's license - includes New Pre-Kindergarten, recently renewed	2006-2014
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, State Board of Private Academic Schools, Teacher's License for Nursery and Kindergarten, 1986	1986



Professional Involvement

International Forum on Jewish Education Van Leer Jerusalem Institute	Jan. 2012-present
Network for Research in Jewish Education (NRJE)	2011-present
Jewish Family Educator's Network (JFEN)	2008-2010
American Educators Research Association (AERA)	2008-present
National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)	1992 - present
Reggio Emilia Facilitator's Group sponsored by ODE	2002-2011
Faculty Research on Brain Development sponsored by the Erikson Institute and Gund Foundation	2002-2004