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### **EDUCATION**

- 2011   **Ph.D.**, Education, University of California Berkeley  
Specialization in Human Development and Education
- 1999   **M.A.**, Education, California State University Sacramento  
Concentration in Early Childhood Education
- 1997   **B.A.**, Child Development, California State University Sacramento

### **ACADEMIC/RESEARCH POSITIONS**

- 2012-present   Assistant Professor, University of Nevada, Reno  
College of Education  
Human Development & Family Studies
- 2009 - 2012    Research Associate, WestEd  
Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics  
Center for Early Learning
- 2007-2008     Adjunct Faculty, Solano Community College  
Child Development Department
- 2006 - 2009    Graduate Student Researcher, University of California, Berkeley  
Institute for Human Development
- 2000 - 2003    Graduate Student Researcher, University of California Berkeley  
Institute for Human Development
- 1999           Teaching Assistant, California State University Sacramento  
*Research Methods in Child Development*
- 1998           Teaching Assistant, California State University Sacramento  
*Language and Literacy*
- 1997 - 1998    Research Assistant, California State University Sacramento  
School of Education

### **SELECTED PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

- Starkey, P., Klein, A., & DeFlorio, L. (in press). Promoting math readiness through a sustainable pre-kindergarten mathematics intervention. In M. Boivin & K.L. Bierman (Eds.), Promoting school readiness and early learning: The implications of developmental research for practice. New York: Guilford.
- Starkey, P., Klein, A., & DeFlorio, L., Brown, E. T., & Swank, P. (in prep). Scaling up a pre-k mathematics intervention in public preschool programs. Paper submitted to the *Journal of Educational Psychology*, July 2012.
- Starkey, P., Klein, A., DeFlorio, L., & Taylor, H. B. (2011). *An efficacy study of a mathematics curriculum to support the youngest preschool children*. Paper presented at the Fall 2011 meeting of the Society for Research in Educational Effectiveness, Washington DC.

- DeFlorio, L., Starkey, P., & Busby, A. (2011). *The influence of the home environment on preschooler's mathematical knowledge: Variation by age and socioeconomic status*. Poster presented at the 2011 biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Montreal, Quebec.
- Starkey, P., Klein, A., DeFlorio, L., Koo, S., & Halliday, S. (2011). *Enhancing low-income children's school performance through a prekindergarten mathematics curriculum*. Poster presented at the 2011 biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Montreal, Quebec.
- Taylor, H. B., Busby, A., Klein, A., Starkey, P., & DeFlorio, L. (2011). *Effortful control: Does self-regulation in at-risk preschooler children relate to emerging mathematical development*. Poster presented at the 2011 biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Montreal, Quebec.
- DeFlorio, L., Starkey, P., & Klein, A. (2010). *Variation in home support for low-SES children's Early mathematical development*. Poster presented at the Head Start Research Conference, Washington DC.
- Klein, A., Starkey, P., DeFlorio, L., & Taylor, H. (2010). *Closing the SES-related gap in young children's mathematical development*. Poster presented at IES, Washington DC.
- Starkey, P., Klein, A., DeFlorio, L., Clements, D., & Sarama, J. (2010). *Enhancing low-income children's school performance through a prekindergarten mathematics curriculum*. Poster presented at the Head Start Research Conference, Washington DC.
- DeFlorio, L., Starkey, P., & Klein, A. (2010). *Variations in Home Support for Low-SES Children's Early Mathematical Development*. Poster presented at the Head Start Research Conference, Washington D.C..
- DeFlorio, L. & Starkey, P. (2007). *SES-Related Differences in Home Support for Children's Early Mathematical Development*. Poster presented at the 2007 biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Boston, MA.
- Starkey, P., & DeFlorio, L. (2003). *Intercultural Variation in Chinese, Japanese, and American Children's Early Mathematical Development and Learning Environments*. Paper presented at the biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Tampa, FL.
- Klein, A., Shim, S., Scales, B., and DeFlorio, L. (2002). *Intra-Cultural Variation in American Children's Early Mathematical Development and Learning Environments*. Paper presented at the biennial meeting of the International Society for the Study of Behavioral Development, Ottawa, Canada.
- Starkey, P., Klein, A., Bowen, C., & DeFlorio, L. (2001). *Mathematical development in children receiving a prekindergarten mathematics curriculum*. Poster presented at the biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development., Minneapolis, MN.
- DeFlorio, L., & Horobin, K. D. (1999). *Children's naïve understanding of illness and contagion: Do age, gender, or ethnicity influence susceptibility?* Poster presented at the biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Albuquerque, NM.
- Horobin, K. D., & DeFlorio, L. (1999). *Children's understanding of contamination and disease transmission in animals, plants, and foods*. Poster presented at the biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Albuquerque, NM.

## **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

- Peer Reviewer, Society for Research in Child Development Biennial Conference
- Peer Reviewer, Head Start Research Conference
- Reviewer, Journal of Childhood Education

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

- Society for Research in Child Development
- Society for Research in Educational Effectiveness
- National Association for the Education of Young Children

## **HONORS AND AWARDS**

- 2005** Distinguished Alumni Award, California State University Sacramento  
**2000** Graduate Opportunity Program Fellowship, University of California Berkeley  
**1998** Sally Casanova Pre-Doctoral Scholar, California State University Sacramento

## **ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- 2007-2008 Site Supervisor/Teacher, Twin Rivers Unified School District  
California First Five Preschool Programs
- 2006-2007 Case Manager, Oakland Unified School District  
Calvin Simmons Middle School
- 2003-2005 Clinical Coordinator, Bonnie Brae Residential Treatment Center  
Private, non-profit facility for adolescent males
- 2001-2003 Family Clinician, Seneca Center  
Mobile Crisis Response Team
- 2000 - 2001 Intervention Specialist, The Epiphany Center  
Private, non-profit facility for infants with prenatal drug exposure
- 1999-2000 Teacher/Home Visitor, San Juan Unified School District  
Early Head Start, Home-Based Program
- 1997-2000 Residential Counselor, FamiliesFirst, Inc.  
Private, non-profit treatment facility for children and adolescents
- 1997 Child Life Intern, Sutter Memorial Hospital  
Pediatric Intensive Care, Pediatric Oncology, and General Pediatrics
- 1995-1997 Teacher, Montessori Learning Commons  
Infant/Toddler Center
- 1992-1994 Teacher, Poway Country Preschool  
Private preschool