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Research Interests:

Using Informational Texts in Elementary Classrooms
Reading and Writing Workshop
Pre-Service and In-Service Literacy Teacher Education

Current Research Questions and Projects:

Collaborating with Dr. Tracy Hough at EMU:

- How do teacher educators' beliefs about literacy and instruction inform our practice and candidates' understanding of literacy?

Collaborating with Dr. Judy Paulick at UVA:

- What are the pedagogies, practices, and philosophies of teacher educators at Virginia Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (VACTE) member institutions (both public and private) who teach writing methods courses to elementary teacher candidates?
- In what ways are these instructors providing opportunities for teacher candidates to engage with high leverage practice(s) for K-6 writing instruction?

Collaborating with Drs. Melissa Adams-Budde at Western Chester University, Christy Howard at Eastern Carolina University & Claire Lambert at Salem College:

- In what ways do elementary preservice teachers transition from the university to their own classrooms and what meanings they make of these experiences as literacy teachers?

Partners Invited:

I welcome undergraduate partners, graduate student partners, classroom teachers, College of Education partners, and JMU faculty partners.