

Dr. Maryjane C. Burdge

EDUCATION

Doctorate in Education, Higher Education and Adult Learning

Walden University, Minneapolis, MN

Dissertation: Transition from Secondary to Post-Secondary Education for Students with Mild Disabilities

Certification as Superintendent of Schools, Educational Leadership

WiscAD - St. Mary's University, Minneapolis, MN

This program was competency based in the educational specialist field.

Certification as Pupil Services Director, Educational Leadership

University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI

Certification as a Principal and Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Educational Leadership

Cardinal Stritch University, Milwaukee, WI

Master of Science, Special Education

University of Wisconsin - Whitewater, Whitewater, WI

Bachelor of Arts, Elementary Education

Rider University, Trenton, NJ

EXPERIENCE

May '13 - Present

Associate Professor - Special Education

University of Wisconsin - Superior, Superior, WI

- Currently implementing a completely online graduate degree in special education in a new Learning Management System - CANVAS
- Serve as program coordinator for the Special Education Graduate Program and Instruction Graduate Program
- Serve the department as a chair leading graduate programs
- Teach graduate classes in special education to graduate students seeking licensure and/or a Masters Degree
- Teach graduate courses in Educational Administration in the area of Pupil Services and Special Education Leadership
- Advisor to 60 graduate students
- Completing the application for licensure issuing program in Wisconsin for new special educators

- Successfully applied to WI Department of Public Instruction for a license in special education through a Post Baccalaureate Program
- Successfully applied to the WI Department of Public Instruction for a license in special education through the undergraduate minor program
- Serve on the Educator Preparation Program Council
- Serve on the Teacher Education Advisory Council
- Member of the Graduate Council, served as secretary for three years
- Member of the Academic Assessment Committee
- Member of the Institutional Research Board
- Member of the Faculty Senate
- Other Accomplishments: updated curriculum for SPED 283, 493, and 496; developed curriculum for SPED 355, 375, 755, 769; took a floundering program on the brink of closure to vitality – 10 undergraduate SPED minors to 85 undergraduate SPED minors in three years; steady stream of 20 graduate students in SPED program to 60 special education majors in the Master's program; enrollment in graduate online programming is at 325 now

Jul '10 - Jun '13

Coordinator of Leadership and Learning; Project Coordinator for Research and Development

Cooperative Education Service Agency #6, Oshkosh, WI

- Served as a special education director for rural districts
- Served as manager of the Effectiveness Project
- Delivered professional development in special education and instruction to a variety of school districts
- Trained 200 administrators how to use the teacher evaluation system created at CESA 6 in conjunction with Dr. James Stronge
- Provided consulting services to districts who have a need such as adolescent literacy or response to intervention, and research new findings in educational research in order to develop new products and services for the agency
- Member of the Teacher/Leader Effectiveness Project team

Jan '10 – Dec '14

Practicum Supervisor – Administrator Candidates

WiscAD – Ladysmith, WI

- Supervised administrator candidates by mentoring and visits
- Conducted portfolio reviews with candidates on a team of reviewers
- Facilitated group processes for the selected career path during teaching portion of program
- Provided references for new administrators entering the field

Nov '09 - Jun '10

Stimulus Projects Coordinator - post retirement

West Bend Joint School District #1, West Bend, WI

- Completed projects of the district such as AVID (Advancement via Individual Determination) at the middle and high school levels
- Provided professional development for reading instruction and support
- Served as an instructional coach in special education

Oct '06 - Sep '09

Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction

West Bend Joint School District #1, West Bend, WI

- Managed grants of \$5,000,000 yearly
- Managed budget of \$500,000 yearly
- Led the development of Understanding by Design units for all curricular areas
- Assisted in the creation of assessments for core and non-core departments
- Coordinated the Summer Institute for teachers and administrators around the use of data; differentiation; and grading practices
- Managed all curriculum adoptions for the district, PreK-12
- Led research teams around interventions for students; world language expansion; human growth and development; teacher evaluation methods; and Least Restrictive Environment for special education students
- Supervised 30 direct report employees
- Implemented the AVID program for middle and high school students
- Coordinated English Language Learner services

Jul '05 - Sep '06

Administrator of Pupil Services

West Bend Joint School District #1, West Bend, WI

- Managed planning for 800 special education students
- Supervised 97 teachers and therapists
- Participated in countywide units for serving families, disaster planning and intervention services
- Trained 500 teachers in inclusive practices
- Updated administrators on special education laws and implications for practice
- Assisted staffs with differentiated lessons and planning
- Collaborated with principals on team teaching assignments and methodology

Jan '03 - Dec '07

Adjunct Instructor

Cardinal Stritch University, Milwaukee, WI

- Developed classes in School Budgeting and School Law for the Instructional Technology Leadership Program
- Taught the Budgeting and Law classes in a hybrid model
- Taught special education for the regular classroom teacher in a cohort model
- Advised students in Action Research class

Jul '03 - Jun '05

Director of Student Services

School District of Superior, Superior, WI

- Facilitated training for principals on serving as Local Education Agency Representative on IEP Teams
- Managed planning for 700 students with disabilities
- Trained teachers in online versions of IEP development
- Trained teachers in transition activities for students with disabilities
- Taught teachers how to use online methods for teaching students
- Delivered training in inclusive practices to all teachers, PreK - 12
- Served on community task forces around Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse issues; mental health concerns; and treatment options

Sep '03 - Jun '05

Adjunct Instructor

University of Wisconsin - Superior, Superior, WI

- Facilitated courses in the adjacent school district for teacher license renewal as well as professional development activities

Jul '02 - Jun '03

Assistant Principal/Coordinator of Curricular Planning

Germantown School District, Germantown, WI

- Supervised special education program at the high school level
- Coordinated all curriculum activities for grades 6-12
- Sponsored staff development activities for departmental articulation, grades 6-12
- Facilitated professional learning for teachers serving gifted and talented youth
- Instituted Service Learning opportunities for students identified as gifted and talented
- Served as disciplinarian for students with disabilities with severe behavioral issues

Dec '00 - Jun '02

Instructional Specialist

Germantown School District, Germantown, WI

- Delivered training in differentiated teaching techniques
- Served as coach and mentor for teachers in a high school setting
- Tested 8th graders for placement in advanced classes at the high school level
- Worked with Peer Leaders to foster leadership skills
- Worked with World Language Department on elementary interest days
- Worked with middle level leadership to intervene on failing 8th grade students as they entered 9th grade
- Chaired the Building Leadership Team with students, faculty, and parents
- Performed research project and gained a fellowship with Phi Delta Kappa

Jan '81 - Dec '00

Learning Disabilities Teacher, Special Education Designee/Director (6 years) and other duties

Hartford Union High School, Hartford, WI

- Coordinated the Gifted and Talented Program, 1994 - 1996
- Coordinated Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Prevention, 1989 - 1999
- Taught students with learning disabilities
- Coordinated cases of students with disabilities
- Trained staff in inclusive practices for all students
- Worked with students and families on transition activities
- Served on community committees for inclusive practices by employers
- Served as cheerleader coach
- Served as advisor to Peer Leadership Group
- Served as advisor to Peer Mediation
- Instituted Service Learning for students with disabilities
- Navigated the Hartford Area AODA Coordinators and Task Force serving K-12 students and staff
- Coordinated parent advisory group for Gifted and Talented youth

Sep '74 - Jun '78

Elementary Teacher

Irvington Public Schools, Irvington, NJ

- Taught grade 5 for two years
- Taught grade 4 for two years
- Facilitated Environmental Education for grade 6 students at an outdoor, weeklong camp, twice yearly
- Provided English tutoring to students new to the country
- Advised the yearbook and cheerleading squad in the K-8 building

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS

- University of Wisconsin – Superior, Spirit of Superior Award, 2018

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- Cooperative Education Service Agency 6 – Smart Thinking Award, 2012
- Wisconsin ASCD Board member 2003 - 2011; secretary 2008-2011
- Effective Schools Fellowship Program, Phi Delta Kappa 2001
- Herb Kohl Fellowship Recipient 1992
- Teacher of the Year Award, Hartford Union High School 1991

WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

- Individual support sessions for adjuncts in how to use CANVAS, access information for courses, use of library databases, and students issues
- Intellectual Disabilities Conference – WI DPI – workshop presenter on Modifications and Adaptations – August, 2017
- Inclusion Institute – state of Wisconsin, Personal Attitudes of Inclusive Practices, July, 2016 and July, 2017
- Poster session at OPID – UW System faculty event – Flipping and Blending Instruction, April, 2015
- Conducted Focus Groups at two events associated with Wisconsin Council of Administrators of Special Services, 2015
- University of Wisconsin – Superior – presented workshop on extending the learning in Desire2Learn to interested faculty, Fall, 2014
- CESA 6 – conducted over 50 trainings in Educator Effectiveness around the state, most in length for 3 days each training, 2012 - 13
- Wisconsin ASCD Presentations - Teacher/Leader Effectiveness Project; AVID implementation; Pyramid of Interventions Research Study; Differentiation Techniques
- Wisconsin Heart of Healthy Schools Presentations - Behavioral Expectations for Students; Peer Mediation
- National Staff Development Conference Presentation - Mentoring New Teachers
- Wisconsin Association of Gifted and Talented Conference Presentation - Differentiated Teaching Techniques
- National Service Learning Conference - Implementing a Student Led Service Program with members of Hartford Teen Volunteers

GRANT AWARDS

- Grant Reader - U.S. Department of Education for the I-3 grant projects, 2010
- Wisconsin State AODA Grant - 1993, 1994 Hartford Union High School; 2004, 2005 School District of Superior; 2008, 2009 West Bend Joint School District #1; Totals = \$360,000.
- Carol White Physical Education Grant - 2008, 2009 West Bend School District #1 = \$995,000.

- AODA Mini-grants - 1995, 1996, 1998 Hartford Union High School; 2006, 2007, 2008 West Bend Joint School District #1: Totals = \$6000.
- Wisconsin State Critical Language Grant - 2008, 2009; Totals = \$30,000.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Consultant to Cooperative Education Service Agency #9 to develop alternative training program taking people with bachelor's degrees to teaching licenses in special education – 2018 -19
- Consultant to the School District of Superior in the area of Transition for Students with Disabilities – 2018 – 19
- Reader – United Methodist Church – Duluth, MN (Coppertop) 2018 - present
- Member of planning group for Inclusion Institute for the state of WI – 2016 - present
- Served as Credentials Chair of the Gamma Sigma Sigma (service organization) National Convention, Nashville, TN, 2015
- Served as a research locator and informational needs of the Four Corners Elementary School, Superior, team for SPDG grant, 2014 - 15
- Provided training to lay persons on teaching adults in religion based classes, 2012
- Served on the board of the West Bend Community Memorial Library, 2006 – 2009
- Served on the board for the Council on AODA for Washington County, 2005 - 2010
- Supporter and board member of The Threshold, a sheltered workshop and job skills training, 2005 - 13
- Served in church choirs in New Jersey and Wisconsin
- Led parent workshops in a church setting for parents of adoptees and/or step-parenting
- Advised Hartford Teen Volunteers as a volunteer
- Served as national president of a women's service organization located on 100 college campuses as well as in major metropolitan areas around the U.S.