

# KAARIN DANIELLE PERKINS

## EDUCATION

- 2004 University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM  
Ph.D. Multicultural Teacher and Childhood Education
- Dissertation “Sisters, Mothers and Others: A Qualitative Investigation of the Lived Experiences of African-American Women Who Have Lost an African-American Male to Homicide” Dissertation defense passed with distinction.
- 1996 Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS  
M.S. Elementary Education, concentration Urban and Multicultural Education
- Thesis “Developing a Crisis Intervention Plan for Urban Elementary School Children Grieving the Violent Death of a Loved One”
- 1991 University of Missouri-Kansas City, Kansas City, MO  
B.A. Elementary Education

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2007 – Present *Assistant Professor of Early Childhood Education, Prairie View A&M University*
- 2005- 2007 *Assistant Professor of Early Childhood Education, University of Houston-Clear Lake*
- 2005 *Adjunct Professor of Early Childhood Education, Texas A&M University-Commerce*
- 2003-2005 *2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher, Dallas Independent School District*
- 2002-2003 *Reading and Mathematics Evaluation Technician, Dallas Independent School District*
- 2002-2003 *Alternative Certification Candidate Mentor Liaison, Collin County Community College*
- 2001 *Frederick Douglass Summer Teaching Fellow, West Chester University*
- 2000 – 2001 *Assistant Director, Manzanita Early Learning Center, University of New Mexico*
- 1998 – 2001 *Graduate Assistant, Early Childhood Multicultural Education Program, University of New Mexico*
- 1991-1997 *1<sup>st</sup> Grade Teacher, Kansas City Missouri School District*

## PUBLICATIONS

- Mackey, B. & Perkins, K. (2007). Legacies of Love and Literature. *Early Years*.
- Perkins, K. & Mackey, B. (2008). Supporting Grieving Children and Families in Early Childhood Programs. *Dimensions of Early Childhood*.
- Perkins, K. (In Progress). Death Narratives of Early Childhood Educators. To be submitted to *Narrative Inquiry*.