

CURRICULUM VITAE

Martin Laster, Ph.D.

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Educational Leadership and Public Policy
University of Denver, Denver, Colorado, 1984

Dissertation: "An Analysis of the Impact of Differing District Types on Gifted Education in Colorado." The dissertation looks at six district types from rural to urban and their impact on planning, identification, organizational strategies and curricular provisions for gifted students. The study, commissioned by the Colorado State Board of Education through the Colorado Department of Education found significant differences between urban and rural agricultural districts in their ability to provide programming for gifted students.

M.P.A. Business and Public Management
University of Denver, Denver, Colorado, 1983

M.A. Special Education in Gifted Education
University of Denver, Denver, Colorado, 1982

Specialist Certificate, Reading (K-12)
Ohio University, Athens, Ohio, 1977

B.A. Honors English and Secondary Education
Ohio University, Athens, Ohio, 1976
Summa Cum Laude

HIGHLIGHTS

Thorough understanding of effective schools research with direct involvement in classroom, school-wide, district and statewide curriculum/standards and assessment reform efforts

Completed Harvard Summer Program on Assessment

Alaska Superintendent of the Year, 1996

Superintendent in one of fifteen school systems recognized as exemplary in the Pacific Northwest, 1996

Superintendent in one of five districts, each in a NWREL state, in a study of standards-based reform in rural districts, 1999

President of WA Region 109 Superintendent's Association 2002

Recipient of WASA Leadership Award 2003

Academic Leadership Seminar Member, UAS 2010-2011

SELECTED PAPERS, PRESENTATIONS, PUBLICATIONS

- "Bibliography on the Gifted/Handicapped"
Gifted/Handicapped Project,, University of Denver, 1981-1983
- "Extra-curricular Activities as Predictors of Life Success "
Otero School District, La Junta, Colorado, March 1983
- "Colorado Survey of Gifted Programming" School Improvement
Division, Colorado Department of Education, 1982-1983
- "Comparative Analysis of Gifted Programming in Rural and
Urban School Districts in Colorado"
Doctoral Dissertation, University of Denver, 1984
- "The Proposed State Plan for Gifted Education in Colorado"
Colorado State Board of Education Denver, Colorado, Fall 1982
- "Programming Considerations for the Gifted/Handicapped"
Midstates Gifted Conference, McCook, Nebraska, Spring 1982
- "Results of Colorado Survey of Gifted Programming Efforts"
Colorado Board of Education, Denver, Colorado, Spring 1983
- "Early Childhood Education Evaluation Report" Chapter 1
Projects Denver Schools, BES, University of Denver, Spring 1983
- "Teaching ANCSA in the Secondary Schools"
Live Video In-service Broadcast, Learn Alaska, April 1986
Teacher's Guide
- "Early Childhood Intervention Project" Johnson O'Malley
Conference, Anchorage, Alaska ,Spring 1985
- "Teacher's Guide for ANCSA Video Series" Learn Alaska
Alaska Department of Education, Fall 1985
- "A Closer Look" Criterion Referenced Test for Lower Yukon
School District , Spring, 1988
- "Healing Sick Building Syndrome" Facilities Planner
Conference, Winter, 1990
- "The Future as we see it" A summary of the Elementary Strand
Moving in Concert Conference Team Leader,
Anchorage, AK Spring, 1990
- "Mat-Su 2000 and Beyond- A Community Survey" Developed
for the Alaska DOE as a model for Chapter 173 Regs. Fall, 1991

"The Change Process: A System's Perspective" Alaska DOE
Standards Oversight Committee, Anchorage, AK Winter, 1993

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SELECTED PAPERS, PRESENTATIONS, PUBLICATIONS Cont.

"Collaborative Negotiations" Alaska School Boards Association
Conference, Anchorage, AK Winter, 1993

"Towards a Comprehensive System of Assessment"
Alaska State School Board Meeting, Anchorage, AK August, 1994

"Strategic Planning: What It Can Do For You"
Alaska School Board Association Conference, Anchorage, AK Fall, 1994

"The Board's Role in Curriculum and Instruction"
Alaska Boardmanship Academy, Anchorage, AK September, 1994

"Change for Our Sake" AK Restructuring Institute, Anchorage, AK
August, 1995

"Change in a Small City School System" USDOE Building
Partnerships in Learning Conference, Seattle, September, 1996

"The Changing Nature of Education" Educational Innovation in
Washington. KIRO TV, Seattle, June 1998

"Using Grants to Create the Twenty-fifth Hour of the Day For
Reform" WASA Conference, Yakima, March, 1999

"NWREL Rural District Standards-Based Reform Symposium"
Portland, Oregon March, 2000

"Leadership Training for Principals" Kodiak School District
November 2000

"Tips for New Superintendents" Small Schools Conference, Chelan, WA
March 2001

"Multiple Views of Mentoring"
Leadership Information, Winter 2003

Voices of Hope, A Literacy and Service Learning Secondary Reader,
Collaboration with the Giraffe Heroes Project, 2005

"Rural AYP Strategies" NCLB Conference, Anchorage, AK
January 2007

Budgeting/Planning for Student Achievement, AASB, Anchorage, AK
Nov. 2007

Project LEAD Interdisciplinary Curriculum Teacher's Guide
For AKDEED, Juneau AK December, 2010

Alaska Winter Principal's Conference
"Leading Through Excellence in Academic Design" Juneau, AK
\$250,000 Federal Grant, January 20

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SELECTED ADVISORY GROUPS, COMMITTEES, COUNCILS

Board Member, Very Special Arts Alaska, Anchorage AK 1990-1993

Member, DOE, Alaska School Finance Committee, 1993-94

Steering Committee, Alaska Standards and Assessments, 1992-95

Co-Chair, AKDOE, State Assessment Committee , 1992-95

Advisory Board Member, Mt. Edgecumbe High School 1995-6

Advisory Board Member, University of Washington
K-12 Partnership, Seattle WA 1998-2001

Snohomish County Workforce Investment Board
Everett, WA 1999-2001

Director, School Information Research Service, Olympia WA
Washington Association of School Administrators 1999-2004

Advisory Member, South Whidbey Commons Intergenerational Center
Langley, WA 2002-2004

Member Seeds of Change, A Community Coalition for Positive Change
Langley, WA 2000-2004

Executive Committee, Sno-Isle Vocational Skills Center
Everett, WA 1996 -2004

Board Member, Goosefoot Community Fund,
Langley WA 2002-2004

Board Member, The Giraffe Project,
Langley WA 2003-2004

Network Member, Education Commission of the States, Network on Civic
Engagement and Service Learning, Denver, CO 2006-2008

Board Member Alaska Council of School Administrators
Juneau, AK 2007

Alaska Milken Educator Award Committee

Juneau, AK 2007 - present

Governing Board, AASA,
Alexandria, VA 2007-Present

National Advisory Board Member, AASA
Leadership for Learning, Alexandria, VA 2008 - Present

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SELECTED ADVISORY GROUPS, COMMITTEES, COUNCILS Cont.

Advisory Board Member, Alaska Comprehensive Center,
Juneau, AK 2007-Present

Committee Member, Chancellor's Task Force on Student Success
UAS, Juneau AK 2009-Present

Chair, Student Success Subcommittee to Create
A Student Radio Station
UAS, Juneau AK 2010 to 2011

Member, Cultural Infusion Action Group
UAS, Juneau AK 2008-2011 to Present

Member, UAS Honors College Committee
Juneau AK 2010-Present

Member UAS School of Education NCATE Committee
Juneau, AK 2009 to Present

Member, Two Doctoral Dissertation Committees
UAF, Interdisciplinary Ph.D. Program
Fairbanks, AK 2010-Present

COURSES TAUGHT

University of Alaska Southeast

Educational Leadership	Education 637
Curriculum and Instruction Leadership	Education 638
Leadership Internship	Education 691
Curriculum and Instruction Leadership	Education 639
Leadership Internship II	Education 691
Educational Leadership II	Education 690
Leadership Portfolio	Education 698
Tools of the Trade	Education 593
Instructional Icebergs	Education 593

University of Alaska, Fairbanks	Education for the Gifted	Education 593
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University of Denver	Identification of the Gifted	Education 4400
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EMPLOYMENT SUMMARY

Assistant Professor, University of Alaska Southeast
Coordinator of Educational Leadership Program
Juneau, Alaska
2008- Present

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EMPLOYMENT SUMMARY Cont.

Superintendent , Kuspuk School District
Aniak, Alaska
2005-2008

Assistant/Interim Superintendent, North Slope School District
Barrow, Alaska
2004-2005

Superintendent, South Whidbey School District
Langley, Washington
2000 to 2004

Superintendent, Darrington School District
Darrington, Washington
1996 to 2000

Craig, Alaska
Superintendent, Craig City School District
July 1993 to 1996

Assistant Superintendent/Principal, Mat-Su School District
Palmer, Alaska
July 1987 to June 1993

Principal
Northwest Arctic Borough School District
Ambler, Alaska
August 1986 to June 1987

Director of Instruction/State and Federal Programs
Northwest Arctic Borough School District
Kotzebue, Alaska
August 1984 to June 1986

Adjunct Professor: Gifted Education

University of Alaska
Palmer, Alaska
Spring 1984

Graduate Research/Teaching Assistant

University of Denver
Denver, Colorado
September 1981 to 1984

Gifted/Talented Specialist,

Matanuska Susitna School District
Palmer, Alaska
August 1979 to June 1981

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EMPLOYMENT SUMMARY Cont.

Reading Specialist

Anchorage School District
Anchorage, Alaska
August 1978 to June 1979

English Teacher

Federal Hocking School District
Stewart, Ohio
August 1976 to June 1978