

Christopher Burkett
Adjunct Professor of Education
Appointed: Spring 2009

1. Academic Degrees:

Ed. D.	Nova Southeastern University	2006	Higher Education Administration
M.Ed.	Columbia College	2002	Concentration: Divergent Learning
B.A.	Newberry College	1993	History w/ Teacher Certification

2. Professional Experience:

2006-Present	Columbia College	Assistant Director, Master of Education in Divergent Learning Assistant Professor of Education
2004-2006	Newberry College	Assistant Professor of Education
2004-Present	SC Department of Education	External Evaluator (2007-Present) Instructor (2005-Present) State Program Reviewer (2005-Present) Consultant (2005-Present)
2000-2006	The College Board	Consultant
2001-Present	Furman University	Consultant & Program Facilitator, Richard W. Riley Institute of Government and Politics
2004-2005	Converse College	Adjunct Professor
2004	Coastal Carolina University	Adjunct Professor
1993-2004	Dutch Fork High School	Advanced Placement & Gifted Coordinator (2002-2004) Social Studies Teacher (1993-2004) Athletic Coach (1996-2000)

3. Publications:

Editor, *The Teacher Education Journal of South Carolina* (2008-Present)

Burkett, C., Hall, L., Layton, D., & Lee, R. (2007, Winter). The neglected majority: Recognizing divergent learners in the middle school classroom. *The South Carolina Middle School Journal*, 20, 1-8.

Burkett, C., Hall, L., Layton, D., & Lee, R. (2007). Decoding divergence: Reaching and teaching the masses. *Palmetto Administrator*, 20, 16-18.

Burkett, C., Hall, L., Layton, D., & Lee, R. (2007 March 14) "Recognizing divergent learners in our community." *Black News*, pp. A5, A6.

Hefner, T., Lipscomb, G., Rock, T., Burkett, C., et al. (2006). "To test or not to test?: The role of testing in elementary social studies a collaborative study conducted by NCPSSA and SCPSSSE." *Social Studies Research and Practices*, 1(2), pp. 145-164.

Burkett, C. (2006, Fall). Using webquests to enhance your curriculum. *Palmetto Focus*, 12.

Burkett, C. (2005). Federalism in College Board (Eds.), *AP U.S. government and politics: 2005-2006 professional development workshop materials* (pp.29-36). NY: College Board.

4. Presentations:

2008, October	Burkett, C. "Reaching divergent learners: The importance of problem-based projects in science." South Carolina Science Council 2008 Fall Conference, Myrtle Beach, SC.
2008, May	Burkett, C. "Graduate level writing: How to teach scholarly writing to adult learners across geographically diverse campuses." Ninth International

Writing Across the Curriculum Conference, Austin, TX.

2008, April	Burkett, C. "Why teach?" Newberry College Educator Appreciation Banquet. Newberry College, Newberry, SC
2008, April	Burkett, C., & Harvey, F. "Assessing alternative certification: What we learned through transition to teaching grant." National Association for Alternative Certification Conference, Atlanta, GA.
2008, March	Burkett, C., & Harvey, F. "Evaluation of nontraditionally and traditionally prepared teachers' pedagogical content knowledge and practice using performance-based evidence." American Educational Research Association Annual Meeting, New York, NY.
2008, January	Burkett, C. "Assessing your states alternative certification program: Are they building highly qualified teachers?" Hawaii International Conference on Education, Honolulu, HI.
2007, October	Burkett, C. "Do I have a story for you: Reading and writing in the social studies classroom." South Carolina Council for the Social Studies Annual Conference, Myrtle Beach, SC.
2007, June	Burkett, C., Hall, L., Layton, D., & Lee, R. "Decoding divergence: Reaching and teaching the divergent learner." South Carolina Association of School Administrators Summer Leadership Institute, Myrtle Beach, SC.
2007, April	Burkett, C., & Harvey, F. "Building highly qualified teaching force when you are the only alternative route in the state." National Center for Alternative Certification and National Association for Alternative Certification Joint Conference, Washington, DC.
2007, April	Burkett, C., & Harvey, F. "Assessing your alternative program: Are you building highly qualified teachers?" National Center for Alternative Certification and National Association for Alternative Certification Joint Conference, Washington, DC.
2007, April	Burkett, C. "Teaching in an alternative program: What we have learned." National Center for Alternative Certification and National Association for Alternative Certification Joint Conference, Washington, DC.
2006, September	Burkett, C. "Is social studies being taught in K-5 classrooms in South Carolina?" South Carolina Council for the Social Studies Annual Conference, Greenville, SC.
2006, September	Burkett, C. "Creating webquests for the social studies classroom." South Carolina Council for the Social Studies Annual Conference, Greenville, SC
2006, May	Burkett, C., & Spell, L. "Teaching hybrid courses." Columbia College Faculty Workshop, Columbia College, Columbia, SC.
2006, April	Burkett, C. "The power of words-Reading and writing in the social studies." South Carolina Middle School Association Annual Conference, Myrtle Beach, SC.
2005, September	Burkett, C. "Teaching political science: Is the constitution all there is?" South Carolina Council for the Social Studies Annual Conference, Greenville, SC
2005, April	Burkett, C. "Engaging activities to 'soak up' social studies." South Carolina Middle School Association Annual Conference, Myrtle Beach, SC.
2005, March	Burkett, C. "New social studies standards and American government." Lexington School District Five Elementary Teachers Workshop, Irmo, SC
2004, January	Burkett, C. "Political science versus AP U.S. government" panel participant. Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA.
2003, September	Burkett, C. "Richard riley institute of government and politics program." South Carolina Council for the Social Studies Annual Conference, Myrtle Beach, SC.

2002, September	Burkett, C. "Richard Riley Institute of Government and Politics Program." South Carolina Council for the Social Studies Annual Conference, Greenville, SC
2002, November	Burkett, C. "Assessment techniques for humanities." The Coalition of Essential Schools National Fall Forum, Providence, RI.
1999, November	Burkett, C. "Culminating projects for grade levels." The Coalition of Essential Schools National Fall Forum, Atlanta, GA.
1998, November	Burkett, C. "Projects for humanities courses." The Coalition of Essential Schools National Fall Forum, Kansas City, MO.
1995, November	Burkett, C. "Teaching interdisciplinary courses." The Coalition of Essential Schools National Fall Forum, New York, NY.

5. Honors:

Exemplary Teacher Educator of the Year Award from the South Carolina Association of Teacher Educators, 2008
 Newberry College Student Association Citizen of the Semester, Fall, 2005
 Teacher of the Year, Dutch Fork High School, 1999/2000
 Excellence in Teaching Award, Greater Columbia Chamber of Commerce, 2000
 Great Teacher Award, South Carolina Center for Teacher Recruitment, 1997
The State Newspaper Teacher of the Year, 1994/1995
 Elected President of the Faculty, 1995/1996
 South Carolina Sallie Mae First Class Teacher Award (given to one outstanding first year teacher in each state), 1993/1994
 Featured Teacher, National Video on Humanities "Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening Across the Curriculum," 2001
 Elected Member School Improvement Council, 1993/1994
 Kiwanis Club Service to Youth Award, 1993/1994
 Honorary member, St. Andrews Kiwanis Club, 2001-2004
 Intern, United States Senate Internship Program, Senator Fritz Hollings, 1995
 Intern, Senator Fritz Hollings' reelection campaign, 1998

6. Professional Memberships:

National Council for the Social Studies, 2005-Present
 National Association of Alternative Education, 2007-Present
 South Carolina Association of Teacher Education, 2006-Present
 Elected Secretary, 2007-Present
 Journal Editor, 2007-Present
 Association of Teacher Education, 2007-Present
 South Carolina Middle School Association, 2004-Present
 Middle Level Reviewer Symposium participant, Myrtle Beach, SC, May, 2004
 Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, 2002-Present
 South Carolina Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, 2006-Present
 South Carolina Professors of Social Studies Education, 2004-Present
 South Carolina Professors of Middle Level Education, 2004-Present
 President-Elect, 2008-2009
 Elected Regional Representative, 2005-2007, 2007-2009
 Southern Political Science Association, 2003-2005
 South Carolina Council for the Social Studies, 2001-Present
 Parliamentarian, 2005-Present
 The Coalition of Essential Schools, 1993-Present
 Palmetto State Teachers Association, 2007-Present