ELIZABETH J. (BETTY) CAPPELLA, PH. D.

PROFESSIONAL PREPARATION

Institution	Degree	Date	Field	Specialty	GPA	Hours
Harvard Medical School	Post-Doctoral Certificate	1986	Family Violence	Abuse and Victimization in Life Span Perspective		18
State University Of New York at Buffalo	Doctor of Philosophy	1981	Educational Psychology	Learning & Human Development Family, Counseling Statistics and Research	3.7	92
Canisius College	Master of Science	1973	Counseling, Educational Psychology, Research	Special Problems in Child Learning, Counseling	3.5	31
State University of New York at Buffalo	Bachelor of Arts	1971	Psychology	Learning, Counseling	3.0	130

RECORD OF PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE AT BUFFALO (August 1985 to Present)

Distinguished Service Professor;(1998 to present) Chairperson of the Department of Educational Foundations (1995-1996; 1998 - 2006); Acting Chair (Summer/Fall 1992, Fall 1994, Spring 1995); Chairperson of the Department of Consumer Studies & Home Economics (August 1985-June 1989)

Summary: Primary responsibilities include the following: Teaching; Research ;Administration and Management of undergraduate and graduate Foundations courses for certified college wide education programs, the undergraduate degree program in Career and Technical Education, the graduate degree programs in Adult Education, Student Personnel Administration and Career and Technical Education. For the department: planning, budget, curriculum, personnel actions, faculty mentoring; teaching graduate and undergraduate courses, organization of committee work, graduate advisement of over 70 students in Multidisciplinary Studies and other areas. Also, conducts research in the areas of Family Literacy and Family Violence, Cultural Diversity, Family Relations, Counseling and Adult Learning. Other duties, as assigned by the Dean, the Provost and the President.

New York State Certification of Training in Family Literacy, 2002. National Certification of Training for Family Literacy 2006.

State certification of Basic Family Literacy Implementation Training by the New York State Alliance for Family Literacy. Certification for Implementation of Family Literacy Program and Staff Development Training by the National Center for Family Literacy.

State of New York Commissioner for National and Community Service (1997-2011)

Summary: Gubernatorial Appointee. Established in 1993 by Executive Order of the Governor, the Commission administers ten federal and state programs which include *Vista*, the *Make a Wish Foundation*, *AmeriCorps*, and *Learn and Serve America* under the National and Community Service Trust Act of 1993. In conjunction with the Corporation for National Service and the New York State Education Department, the commission also serves as the policy-making body for all federally funded community service initiatives operating in the state.

New York State Education Department Certified Trainer in Child Abuse Recognition and Reporting (1991 to Present)

Summary: Certified Trainer in Child Abuse Recognition and Reporting for all state mandated reporters pursuant to sections 207, 212, 3003(4), 3004, 3007, 5003 and 6507(3)(a) of the Education Law Chapter. Have conducted training sessions throughout the county for hundreds of teachers, welfare workers, doctors, psychologists, nurses, administrators, counselors and other mandated reporters.

New York State Education Department Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (1980 to Present)

Summary: New York State Registered Adult Tutor (AV No. 3027493). Duties include teaching adult students a variety of courses when called upon to aid them in overall conceptualization of course material.

AWARDS, HONORS, RECOGNITION FOR SCHOLARSHIP AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

International

2009 Received commendation from the Federated States of Micronesia for helping the peace Corp establish a school in Kosrae
2007 Received commendation from Guyana, South America for work done with High Schools and books and educational materials
2002 Received commendation for work with Doctors without Borders for providing a tutor, tutoring and books to the a poor section outside of Mexico City known as the "Garbage Dump City "and from the Billings Family Foundation for helping to establish a school with materials in the Maiphumelele Township near Capetown , Africa.
2001, Spring. Letter of Special Recognition from the Department du Pas-de-Calais Educational Commission, France.
2001 Received commendation from Consul General for China for books and educational materials distributed to six Universities and schools in Tianjin china.
2000 Received commendation from Lille, France and Columbia, South America for providing Books and educational resource materials for schools and literacy
1999 Received commendation from Cameroon Africa for helping to establish a school in Garoua
1995 Invited to represent the United states on Family literacy at the United Nations World Conference in China
1994 Invited to represent the United States on Family literacy at the United Nations Regional Conference in Austria

National

1997, Commendation from President Bill Clinton for Service to the Community. May 1997.

Statewide

2009, Letter of Commendation from Governor Paterson on Project Flight Literacy Activities on behalf of Children and Families.
2008, Letter of Commendation from Governor Spitzer on developing the Western New York Women's Hall of Fame.
2007, Letter of Commendation from Governor Spitzer.on developing the New York State Martin Luther King "Readers are Leaders Literacy Program"
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2005, Governor's *Harriet Tubman Spirit Award* which recognizes "Those who have made significant accompolishments in all areas and who have laid the foundation for present and future leaders in the battle for human rights. Statewide and nationally, the 'Spirit Award' will serve as a symbol of the ongoing fight for human rights both in America and worldwide." The award presentation was held in Albany, New York on behalf of the parents, children, and teachers of New York State.
1999, Bi-cameral, bi-partisan resolution from the State of New York commending induction into the Western New York Women's Hall of Fame. Sponsored by Senators Rath, Maziarz, McGee, Nanula, Stachowski and Volker, and Assembly members Eve, Schimminger, Burling, Daly, Hayes, Higgins, Hoyt, Seaman, Smith, Tokasz and Wirth.
1997, Selected in 1997 for the New York State's Best Award by Lt. Governor Betsy M. Ross.
1995, Proclamation from New York State Senator Mary Lou Rath in Recognition of Achievement in the areas of Family Violence, Parenting, and for Pioneering the Development of the First Comprehensive Treatment Program in the County to address Concurrent Child and Partner Abuse, April, 1995.
1995, Recipient of Woman of Achievement Award presented by the New York State Coalition on Women's Issues for Professional Merit and Community Service, March, 1995.
1995, Proclamation from Lieutenant Governor Elizabeth McCaughey of New York State noting Dr. Cappella's work in Family Literacy, Family Violence and as a Woman of Achievement, March, 1995.
1995, New York State Legislative Resolution Senate Bill 632, Senate Special Commendation for Achievement in the Areas of Family Literacy, Parenting, the Prevention of Child and Spousal Abuse, Adult Education and Women, sponsored by Senator Nanula, March, 1995.
1995, New York State Assembly Special Citation of Merit, sponsored by Assemblymember Sam Hoyt for Work in Family Literacy, Adult Education, Child and Family Violence, March, 1995.
1991, Recipient of NYS SUNY Excellence Award for Outstanding Professional Performance and Community Service at SUNY.
1986, Elena Lucrezia Cornaro Award for Outstanding Italian-American Woman Educator in New York State.

Regional /Local

2009, Letter of Commendation from Mayor Brown.on the Western New York States Womens Hall of Fame Program for High School Students and outstanding Women.

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2005, Publicly commended by Florence Johnson, President of the Buffalo Board of Education, and Yvonne Hargrave, interim superintendent of Buffalo Public Schools for Work in Literacy at the Grass Roots Level for Children in the Schools.

2004, Awarded from the American Association of University Women(AAUW) Excellence in Education Award (second year) at their annual meeting.

2004, Publicly commended by Marion Canedo, superintendent of Buffalo Public Schools in State of the Schools Address

2003, Promoted to SUNY Distinguished Service Professor, May 2003.

2002, Distinguished Alumni Award, Graduate School of Education at the University at Buffalo State, University of New York presented at Commencement, May 2002.

2002, Brother/Sisterhood Educational Leadership Award presented by the National Conference for Community and Justice. January 1, 2002.

2000, County Executive Joel A. Giambra proclaiming October 3, 2000, Family Literacy Day in the County of Erie for Project FLIGHT's BookNooks program and Book of the Month Club, with Ted Washington.

2000, City of Buffalo Businesses in Partnership with Buffalo Public Schools presented to Buffalo State College-United in FLIGHT initiative. (October 24th 2000).

2000, Proclamation, Mayor Anthony M. Masiello proclaiming October 3, 2000, Family Literacy Day in the County of Erie.

2000, Fall. Letter of Special Recognition from the Richard R. Green High School of Teaching for Service, New York City.

2000, Community Stars Award, Community Action Organization. Fall 2000.

2000-1997, Erie County Fair Organizing Committee for Outstanding Service to the Community on Literacy.

1999, Haven House Lifetime Achievement Award.

1999, Inducted into the Western New York Women's Hall of Fame.

1999, Executive Chamber Official Commendation recognizing induction into the Western New York Women's Hall of Fame.

1999, Literacy Volunteers of America Certificate of Merit for Five Years of Volunteer Service.

1998, Proclamation, Mayor Anthony M. Masiello proclaiming October 27th as Buffalo State College Day for the Mayor's Partnerships Awards for the United In Flight program.

1998, Childcare Coalition of Buffalo, Award for Excellence in Service to Children. Dr. Cappella is the only recipient of this award not in child care.

1996, Selected as Buffalo Citizen of the Year with Dr. Bard, by *The Buffalo News* for Outstanding Service to the Community for the "Books for Kids" literacy program.

1996, American Association of University Women (AAUW) Women of Achievement Award for the Promotion of Literacy, May, 1996.

1996, Niagara Frontier Reading Council Award for promoting Family Literacy, April, 1996.

1996, Citation from Anthony R. Nanula, State Senator 57th District in Recognition of Achievement in the areas of Women Advocacy and Family Literacy.

1996, Proclamation from Erie County Executive Dennis T. Gorski recognizing achievements in the areas of Women Advocacy and Family Literacy.

1995, County of Erie, Office of County Executive Special Proclamation Establishing March 24, Betty Cappella Day in Erie County for Achievement in Erie County and for work with the United Nations in the fields of Family Literacy and Family Violence; presented by Dennis T. Gorski, Erie County Executive, March, 1995.

1995, Proclamation of Achievement for Service to the City in the fields of Family Literacy and Family Violence, designating March 24, Betty Cappella Day in the city of Buffalo presented by Mayor Anthony Masiello, Mayor of Buffalo, March, 1995.

1994, EPIC Award in Recognition for work in Parent Education as a member of the Board of Directors, 1992, 1993, 1994.

1993, Athena Award Recipient 1993 Presented by the Greater Buffalo Partnership in Recognition for Achievement as an Outstanding Professional Women.

1991, Inducted into Kappa Delta Pi International Honor Society in Education.

1983, Buffalo Area Council on Alcoholism Award for Community Services Award, December 1983.

1978, Who's Who of American Women, 10th Edition, 1977-1978.

1977, Selected to appear in Notable Americans, August 1977.

1975, Pi Lambda Theta: National Honor and Professional Association for Women in Education.

MEMBERSHIPS, APPOINTMENTS, OFFICES IN PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES & COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

2011-1997 ,Commissioner for National and Volunteer Service, State of New York**.**
2009-1994, Co-Director, Family Literacy Resource Center, Bishop Hall 313.
2009-1994, Co-Director, Family Literacy Consortium of Western New York.
2009-2000 Member of Buffalo Reads
2009-1992, Vice-President, New York State Coalition on Women's Issues.
Consultant to such organizations as the following:

- The Arts Council in Buffalo and Erie County
- **Buffalo City Schools**
- Buffalo Home Day Care Providers
- El Museo Francisco, Ollery Diego Rivera
- Junior League of Buffalo, Inc.
- Literacy Volunteers of America
- National Children's Literacy Project
- National Women's Conference Committee and Center
- **New York State Commission on National and Community Service**
- New York State Department of Education
- **New York State Division for Women Western New York Advisory Council**
- Niagara Frontier Reading Council
- The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Serving Erie County
- **The United Way Serving Buffalo and Erie County**
- Waterfest
- Western New York Women's History Community Steering Committee