

Curriculum Vitae

Kurtis Fritz Leifeste

Degrees:

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| 1999 | Ed. D. | Educational Leadership
Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas |
| 1976 | M. Ed. | Educational Administration
Lamar University, Beaumont, Texas |
| 1971 | B. S. | Physical Education\Biology
Angelo State University, San Angelo, Texas |

Related Education:

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| 1983 | | Certification, Professional Superintendent
Sul Ross State University, Alpine, Texas |
| 1981 | | Graduate studies in Educational Administration
Texas A & M University, College Station, Texas |
| 1981 | | Graduate studies in Educational Administration
Angelo State University, San Angelo, Texas |
| 1980 | | Graduate studies for Educational Administration
Lamar University, Beaumont, Texas |

Professional Experience:

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| 2010-Present | | Teaching adjunct web blended graduate course
“Professional Roles and Responsibilities” at Sul Ross State
University, Alpine, TX. |
| 2009-2010 | | Teaching adjunct graduate class “The Principalship” at The
University of Texas Permian Basin, Odessa, TX.
Supervising five teaching interns for the ESC Region 4
Alternative Certification Program. Acting as External
Campus Improvement Team member for Grape Creek ISD
and Novice ISD. |
| May 2009 | | Retired from Angelo State University |
| 2007-2009 | | Associate Professor, Department of Curriculum and
Instruction, Angelo State University, San Angelo, Texas. |

Professional Experience: (continued)

2006-2007	Associate Professor, Department of Curriculum and Instruction, NCLB Area Coordinator, Angelo State University, San Angelo, Texas.
2005-2006	Interim Department Head, Associate Professor, Department of Teacher Education, Angelo State University, San Angelo, Texas
1999-2005	Assistant Professor of Education, School of Education, Angelo State University, San Angelo, Texas.
Spring 1999	Field Service Agent, Educational Service Center Region XIII, Austin, Texas.
1997-1999	Research assistant, College of Education, Educational Leadership, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas.
1994-1997	Superintendent of schools, Schulenburg ISD, Schulenburg, Texas
1989-94	Superintendent of schools, Perryton ISD, Perryton, Texas
1986-89	Superintendent of schools, Southland ISD, Southland, Texas
1984-86	Principal, Slaton High School, Slaton, Texas
1982-84	Principal, Menard Elementary School (K-8)
1981-82	.6 Curriculum Supervisor, Region XV Education Service Center, for Mason ISD and Menard ISD
1977-81	Teacher of mathematics and coach, Mason ISD Mason, Texas
1972-77	Teacher of biology, Goose Creek CISD, Baytown, Texas
1971-72	Teacher of Mathematics, Medina Valley CISD, Castroville, Texas

Other Professional Activities:

- 2007 Member, Texas Safe and Drug Free Schools Conference Committee
- 2006-2007 Area Coordinator, Texas Education Agency – Texas State University System Cooperative Grant for the No Child Left Behind Division. Working half-time with the Texas Education Agency as an administrative arm of the Agency.
- 2006 Eight days of training with the Texas Education Agency – Educational Service Center Coordinated meetings. Purpose was to get updates from the U. S. Department of Education on the provisions of the No Child Left Behind Legislation and training on how to implement the legislation.
- 2006 Participant, Annual Texas School Improvement Conference, Austin, TX, November 30 and December 1.
- 2006 Participant, Statewide Parental Involvement Conference, Corpus Christi, TX, November 1 – 4.
- 2006 Participant, The Association for Compensatory Educators of Texas, Semi-Annual Conference, Austin, TX, October 17 - 20.
- 2006 Participant, Texas Bilingual Conference, South Padre Island, TX, October 6, 7.
- 2006 Participant, ESC Region 16 Statewide Initiative Professional Development Three days, Austin, TX, September 25 – 27.
- 2006 Member, National Title I Distinguished School Review Team. The review team went on an on-site visit to an elementary school in Kerville, Texas. The purpose of this visit was to determine how well the school met the requirements of the No Child Left Behind legislation's provisions as a distinguished school. There were five schools visited to select two as Distinguished Schools from Texas to be honored at the National Title I Conference in January in Long Beach, CA. The school we visited received the honor as a Distinguished School for Texas, September 11 – 13.
- 2006 Participant, School Improvement Resource Center's Annual Introductory meetings, Fort Worth, TX, September 7, 8.

Other Professional Activities: (continued)

- 2006 Participant, Southwest Educational Development Laboratory's Annual Conference, San Antonio, TX, July 31 – August 1.
- 2006 Participant, The Association for Compensatory Educators of Texas, Semi-Annual Conference, Austin, TX, April 11 – 13.
- 2006 Participant, National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education facilitator training. Washington, DC, April 27 – 30.
- 2005 Participant, Consortium of State Organizations for Texas Teacher Education Annual Conference, Dallas, TX, October 24, 25.
- 2005 Participant, Migrant NGS, ID&R Training, Austin, TX, July 19 – 21.
- 2005 Participant, The Association for Compensatory Educators of Texas, Annual Conference, Austin, TX, April 25 - 27.
- 2005 Participant, U. S. Department of Education, ESEA Title II State Coordinators National Workshop, Washington, D. C., April 6 – 8.
- 2005 Participant, IDEA '04 Professional Development Workshop, Dallas, March 10.
- 2005 Assistant to Conference Director, Texas Educational Diagnosticians Annual conference, San Antonio, TX, February 24 – 26.
- 2004 Member, National Title I Distinguished School Review Team. The review team went on an on-site visit to an elementary school in Hereford, Texas. The purpose of this visit was to determine how well the school met the requirements of the No Child Left Behind legislation's provisions as a distinguished school. There were five schools visited to select two as Distinguished Schools from Texas to be honored at the National Title I Conference in January in Atlanta, Georgia. The school we visited received the honor as a Distinguished School for Texas.

Other Professional Activities: (continued)

- 2004 One day training, Educational Service Center Region 11 in Fort Worth, Texas. This meeting was training on the “highly qualified teacher” provisions for the No Child Left Behind legislation.
- 2004 Eight days of training with the Texas Education Agency – Educational Service Center Coordinated meetings. Purpose was to get updates from the U. S. Department of Education on the provisions of the No Child Left Behind Legislation and training on how to implement the legislation.
- 2004 Participant, The Association for Compensatory Educators of Texas, Fall Conference, Austin, TX, October 21, 22.
- 2004 – 2005 Area Coordinator, Texas Education Agency – Texas State University System Cooperative Grant for the No Child Left Behind Division. Working half-time with the Texas Education Agency as an administrative arm of the Agency.
- 2003 Participant, Legal Digest Conference on Personnel Law for School Administrators, Austin, TX, December 10.
- 2003 Participant, 23rd Annual Lilly Conference on College Teaching, Oxford, Ohio, November 20 – 23.
- 2003 Participant, Texas Elementary Principals and Supervisors Association Annual Conference, Houston, TX, November 5 – 7.
- 2003 Participant, Texas Council for Administrators of Special Education and the Legal Digest Conference on Special Education Law, San Antonio, TX, April 28.
- 2002 Participant, National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education facilitator training. Washington, DC, September 22 – 24.
- 2001-02 Participant, Preparing Tomorrow's Teachers for Technology Grant Program, Middle School Component. Worked with faculty across university to assist four middle schools in West Texas in integrating technology into the classroom.
- 2002 Attendee, National School Board Association Annual Conference. New Orleans, LA, April 5 – 9.

Other Professional Activities: (continued)

2000	Certified as trainer for Instructional Leadership Development, State of Texas.
1999	Certified as Professional Development and Appraisal System Trainer, State of Texas.
1999	Certified as Conflict Management Trainer, State of Texas
1999	Certified as a CAP (Campus Action Planning) Phase II trainer, State of Texas.
1993	Certified as a trainer of Site-Based Decision Training, Level II, State of Texas.
1992	Member, National Congress on Rural Education. Met in Traverse City, MI on October 9 and 10, 1992.
1987-89	Participant, Meadows Executive Leadership Project. There were thirty-six days of management training over two years. Sponsored by the Meadows Foundation.
1986-87	Member, ExCET Development Committee. Primary responsibility was to develop the ExCET for mid-management administrators.

Presentations and Publications:

2006	Leifeste, K. F. & Crain, S. (2006). Planning for your Teens Tomorrow. Paper presented at the annual NCLB Statewide Parental Involvement Conference. November 2 – 4.
2006	Leifeste, K. F. & Leifeste, M. A. (2006). <i>Inclusion in Rural Schools: Strategies for Student Success</i> . Paper presented at the 26 th Annual Conference of the American Council of Rural Special Education. Lexington, KY, March 22 – 25.
2005	Leifeste, K. F. (2005). <i>Accommodating for diverse learners in the secondary classroom</i> . Full day professional development workshop presented for the social studies faculty in the Winters, Coleman, and Ballinger Independent School Districts, Ballinger, TX, August 10.

Presentations and Publications: (continued)

- 2005 Leifeste, K. F. (2005). Accommodating for diverse learners in the secondary classroom: Principals' responsibilities. *The Texas Study of Secondary Education*, 14(2), 14 – 16.
- 2004 Leifeste, K. F. (2004). *Improving your school: Importing a culture of success*. Paper presented at the Annual Fall Conference of the Texas Association of Secondary School Principals. Austin, TX. (November 7-9)
- 2004 Leifeste, K. F. (2004). *Accommodating for Diverse Learners in the Secondary Classroom: Administrators' Responsibilities*. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the National Council of Professors of Educational Administration. Branson, MO. (August 3 – 6)
- 2004 Leifeste, K. F. (2004). *Accommodating for diverse learners in the secondary science and social studies classroom*. Full day professional development workshop presented for science and social studies teachers at ESC, Region XV.
- 2003 Leifeste, K. F. (2003). *Accommodating for diverse learners in the secondary classroom*. Full day professional development workshop presented for the entire faculty and staff in the Stamford Independent School District, Stamford, TX, August 13.
- 2002 Leifeste, K. F. & Schroeder, C. M. (2002). *Professional development: The key to preparing science teachers for standards based education*. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the Texas Association of School Administrators and the Texas Association of School Boards. Dallas, TX. (September 27 – 30)
- 2002 Leifeste, K. F. (2002). *Accommodating for diverse learners in the secondary classroom*. Full day professional development workshop presented for the secondary science teachers in the San Felipe-Del Rio Consolidated Independent School District, Del Rio, TX . (August 13)
- 2002 Leifeste, K. F. (2002). *Paint the lockers: Importing a culture of success*. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the National Council of Professors of Educational Administration. Burlington, VT. (August 6 – 9)

Presentations and Publications: (continued)

- 2002 Leifeste, K. F. & Schroeder, C. M. (2002). *Preparing science teachers for today's schools: Professional development is the key and administrative support is crucial*. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the National Council of Professors of Educational Administration. Burlington, VT. (August 6 – 9)
- 2001 Leifeste, K. F. & Reavis, C. A. (2001). The fast lane to success: The initiation stage. In T. J. Kowalski & G. Perreault (Eds.), *21st Century Challenges for School Administrators* (pp. 310 – 319). London: Scarecrow Press, Inc.
- 2001 *Preparing Your School for Success: Initiating Culture Improvement Through Level I Changes*. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the National Council of Professors of Educational Administration, Houston, Texas. (August 7-10)
- 2001 *Strategies for Initiating and Sustaining Change and Organizational Learning: The Four Cornerstones of Successful Change – A Three Year Longitudinal Series of Studies*. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the American Educational Research Association, Seattle, Washington. (April 10-14)
- 2000 *The Empire State Building Factor: Fast Road to Change*. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the National Council of Professors of Educational Administration, Ypsilanti, Michigan. (August 8-12)
- 1999 *The Empire State Building Factor: Missing Element in School Leadership Programs*. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the American Educational Research Association, Montreal, Canada. (April 19-23)
- 1999 *The Doctoral Study as a Resource in School Change*. Paper presented at the meeting of the Southwest Educational Research Association Annual Conference, San Antonio, Texas. (January 21-23, 1999)
- 1998-1999 Co-facilitator of “Four Cornerstones of Success” project. Texas Tech University. Worked with sixteen campus and district administrators. Project met five times through out school year.

Presentations and Publications: (continued)

1998 Speaker, Texas Tech University, EDLD 6361, Doctoral Seminar In Education. Topic: "Using Qualitative Methods to Evaluate the Process of Importing a Culture of Success to a School Campus.

Professional Committees:

University Committee on Committees
University Teacher Education Council
College of Education, Graduate Advisory Committee
College of Education, Undergraduate Advisory Committee
School of Education, Member PT3 Grant 2001-2002

Professional Organizations:

National Council for Professors of Educational Administration
National Association of Secondary School Principals
American Educational Research Association
American Association of School Administrators
Texas State Teacher's Association, life member
Phi Delta Kappa, Concho Valley Chapter
Association of Compensatory Educators in Texas

Community Service:

Guardianship Training Committee, Guardianship Alliance of San Angelo
Participant, Christmas in April, 5 years
Participant, Children's Fair of San Angelo, 4 years
Judge, Science Fair at Goliad Elementary, Reagan Elementary
Word caller, Spelling Bee, Bowie Elementary

Personal Data:

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Birthdate: April 22, 1949

Birthplace: Mason, Texas

Married: Margaret Hahn Leifeste (currently serving as Director of Special Education Programs and Early Childhood Intervention for Education Service Center Region XV, San Angelo, TX.)

Children: Karla Lynn Leifeste (July 11, 1975)
Laura Kathryn Landry (April 25, 1977)
One granddaughter, Hayley Kathryn Judice (August 20, 1992)
One grandson, Kurtis Paul Landry (November 2, 2001)
One Granddaughter, Myley Johanna Hariman (April 9, 2006)
One Grandson, Keller Wade Landry (April 17, 2008)
One Grandson, Aubrey Hayes Hariman (September 16, 2009)