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Education Ph.D., Early Childhood Education
Florida State University
Conferred 1986

M.S., Early Childhood Education
Florida State University
Conferred 1983

B.S., Elementary Education
(Certification in Early Childhood Education)
Florida State University
Conferred 1962

Employment and Appointment History

1973 – Current Owner and daily director of the Creative Pre-School. Providing quality care and developmentally appropriate experiences for young children from 2 months to Kindergarten.

Fall 2011 Member of the Standards for All Four-Year-Olds Panel of Experts Committee and Expert Review Panel.

Spring 2009 Member of the Florida Birth to Five Early Learning and Developmental Standards Steering Committee.

Resume of Pamela C. Phelps, Ph.D

- Fall 1997 Visiting Professor, Florida State University, College of Human Sciences, Department of Ed. Theory and Practice. Taught "Child Centers Class" Course EEC 5521. (3 credit hours)
- Fall 1996-
Spring 2001 Visiting Professor, Florida State University, College of Human Sciences, Department of Family and Child Sciences. Taught "Child Study" Course CHD-4630. (3 credit hours, per semester)
- Fall 1995
Fall 1998 Visiting Professor, Florida State University, College of Special Education. Taught "Typical and Atypical Early Development" Course EEX 5017. (3 credit hours, per semester)
- Spring 1995 Visiting Professor, Florida State University, College of Human Sciences, Department of Ed. Theory and Practice. Taught "Play Theories" Course EEC 5268. (3 credit hours, per semester)
- Sept. 1993-
July 1995 Member of The Florida Interagency Coordinating Council for Infants and Toddlers (FICCIT Council) Appointed by the Governor of the State of Florida.
- July 1991- Vice-President, Board of Directors for The Creative Center for Childhood Research and Training, a non-profit corporation.
- July 1990-
June 1995 Member of the Executive Committee, State Coordinating Council for Early Childhood Services. Elected by Council Membership. Appointed for two terms by the Commissioner of Education, State of Florida.
- Jan. 1990-
July 1999 Chairman, State Coordinating Council for Early Childhood Services Elected Chairman by Council Membership. Appointed by the Commissioner of Education, State of Florida.
- Fall Sem. 1991-
Spring, 1993 Adjunct Professor, Santa Fe Junior College-Gainesville, Florida. Child Development Associate (CDA) training. (3 credit hours, per semester)
- Fall Sem. 1988 Professor, Nova University-Tallahassee Extension, Early Childhood Education Module.
- Sept. 1988-89 Core Member, State of Florida Pre-Kindergarten-Teacher Certification Writing Team. University of South Florida. Tampa, Florida

Resume of Pamela C. Phelps, Ph.D

- 1987 - May 1988 Visiting Professor, Florida State University, College of Education. Taught "Introduction to Children's Literature" and supervised student teachers during placement in schools. Florida Panhandle. (3 credit hours per semester)
- 1987-July 1989 Chairman, Florida Child Care Advisory Council. Elected Chairman by Council Membership. Appointed by the Secretary of Health and Rehabilitative Services, State of Florida
- 1986 -1999 Board Member, Children's Home Society. Tallahassee, Florida
- 1985 Vice-Chair, Florida Child Care Advisory Council, Elected Vice-Chair by Council Membership. Appointed by Secretary of the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services, State of Florida.
- 1984 Child Care Task Force. Appointed by Speaker of the House James Harold Thompson. Task Force established to suggest legislative reforms for the state's child care licensing program.
- 1992-present Vice-President, Creative Center for Childhood Research and Training, Inc. Tallahassee, Florida.
- 1984 Spring Educational Consultant, Florida State University Educational Research Center for Child Development. Tallahassee, Florida.
- 1983 Fall Taught "Observation and Participation in Early Childhood Education" (Course Number 4907B). Florida State University, College of Education. Tallahassee, Florida. (3 credit hours)
- 1983 Spring Taught "Observation and Participation in Early Childhood Education" (Course Number 4907A). Florida State University, College of Education. Tallahassee, Florida. (3 credit hours)
- 1982 Fall Taught "Introduction and Orientation to Early Childhood Education". Florida State University, College of Education. (3 credit hours)
- 1979-1990 Summer Director, Youth Programming, Unitarian-Universalist Camp and Conference Center "The Mountain", Highlands, North Carolina.
- 1978-1979 President, Southeastern Unitarian-Universalist Summer Institute Board
- 1972-1977 Director, Children's Program, Southeastern Unitarian-Universalist Summer Institute

- 1969-70 Kindergarten Teacher (Grade Level Chair), Sealey Elementary School Tallahassee, Florida.
- 1968-69 First Grade Teacher, Sealey Elementary School , Tallahassee, Florida.
- 1964-67 First Grade Teacher (Grade Level Chair), Sabal Palm Elementary School, Tallahassee, Florida.
- 1962-63 First Grade Teacher, Sopchoppy Elementary School, Sopchoppy, Florida.

Awards

- August 2019 Certificate from the Minister of Education and Culture of the Republic of Indonesia, Prof. Dr. Muhadjir Effendy, recognizing Dr. Phelps' exemplary contribution to the development of early childhood education In Indonesia
- August 2019 Recognition for outstanding and lasting contributions to Sekolah Al-Falah, Jakarta, Indonesia
- February 2018 *President's Award for Advocacy* presented by the Southern Early Childhood Association
- July 2016 *The Nancy Thomas Award* presented by the One Goal Summer Conference
- February 2016 *25 Women You Need to Know* presented by the Tallahassee Democrat Newspaper
- January 2005 *Superhero Award* presented by the Tallahassee 25
- April 2002 *Research in Education Award* presented by The Florida State University Chapter Phi Delta Kappa
- May 1998 *Outstanding Woman Award* presented by The Tallahassee Branch of the American Association of University Women
- Mar. 1994 *Public Citizen of the Year* presented by The National Association of Social Workers, Inc. Florida Chapter Big Bend Unit
- Fall 1992 *Volunteer of the Year* presented by The Florida Association of Volunteer Agencies for Caribbean Action, Inc.
- Fall 1992 *Child Advocate of the Year* presented by Big Bend Community Coordinated Child Care

June 1987 *Religion and Youth* presented by the Unitarian Universalist Association and The Mountain for recognition of outstanding service to youth

Publications

- Phelps, P.C. (2012). *Let's build: Strong foundations in language, math, and social skills*. Gryphon House Publishing.
- Phelps, P.C. (2009). *Beyond cribs & rattles symbolic play lesson plan series*. Kaplan Early Learning Company
- Hanline, M.F., Milton, S., & Phelps, C. (2009). The relationship between preschool block play and reading and math abilities In early elementary school: A longitudinal study. *Child Health, Care, and Development*.
- Hanline, M.F., Milton, S., & Phelps, C. (2008). A longitudinal study exploring the relationship of representational levels of three aspects of preschool sociodramatic play and early academic skills. *Journal of Research in Childhood Education, 23(10)*, 19-28.
- Phelps, P.C. (2008). *Beyond centers & circle time curriculum pre-k theme series*. Kaplan Early Learning Company.
- Hanline, M.F., Milton, S., & Phelps, P. (2006). The influence of disability and time engaged on the developmental level of children's art work: Findings from three years of observation. *Journal of Early Intervention, 29(2)*, 141-153
- Phelps, P.C. (2006). *Beyond differences & diagnoses: The celebration of inclusion for ALL children*. Kaplan Early Learning Company.
- Phelps, P.C. (2005). *Beyond cribs & rattles: PLAYFULLY scaffolding the development of infants and toddlers*. Kaplan Early Learning Company
- Phelps, P.C. (2004). *Beyond centers & circle time: Scaffolding and assessing the play of young children*. Kaplan Early Learning Company
- Hanline, M.F., Milton, S., & Phelps, P. (2001). Young children's block construction activities: Findings from 3 years of observation. *Journal of Early Intervention, Vol. 24, No. 3*, 224-237.
- Phelps, P. C., L. Stannard, C. H. Wolfgang, and Ithel Jones, (2001). A longitudinal study of the predictive relations among construction play and mathematical achievement. *Early Child Development and Care. Vol. 167*, 115-125.

- Phelps, P.C., M.F. Hanline, (1999). Let's Play Blocks-Creating effective learning experiences for young children. *TEACHING Exceptional Children*. Nov/Dec. 6-67.
- Phelps, P.C., M.F. Hanline, L. Fox, (1998). Community child care inclusion: the development of two children. *International Journal of Disability, Development and Education*. Vol.45, No. 4.
- Phelps, P.C., J. Ronald Lally, and Yoland Ledon Torres, (1994). Caring for infants and toddlers in groups: Necessary considerations for emotional, social, and cognitive development. *Zero to Three, National Center for Clinical Infant Programs*. April/May. Vol. 14, No. 5.
- Phelps, P.C. and Chiricos, C., (1991). Infant/Toddler 10-Hour Training Module, written at the request of The Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services (HRS), State of Florida. Creative Center for Childhood Research and Training. Tallahassee, FL 32303.
- Phelps, P. C. (1986). Creative playgrounds for the preschool children. Burrough, Sue & Evans, Roy (Eds.) *Special Aspects of Education: Vol 8. Play, Language, and Socialization, Perspectives on Adult Roles*. N.Y.: Gordon and Breach Science.
- Levy, A. K., Schaefer, L., and Phelps, P. C., (1986). Increasing preschool effectiveness: enhancing the language abilities of 3- and 4-year-old children through planned sociodramatic play. *Early Childhood Research Quarterly*, 1, (2), 133-140.
- Phelps, P. C. (1984), Creative playgrounds for preschool children. *Early Child Development and Care*, 17, (1), 23-36.
- Reiser, R. A., Tessmer, M. A. and Phelps, P. C., (1984), Adult-child interaction in children's learning from 'Sesame Street.' *Educational Communication and Technology, A Journal of Theory, Research, and Development*, 32, (4), 217-223.
- Phelps, P. C. and Wolfgang, C., (1983). Solving problems within the day care context. *Early Child Development and Care*, 13, (1), 87-100.
- Wolfgang, C. and Phelps, P. C. (1983). Preschool play materials preference inventory. *Early Child Development and Care*, 12, (2), 127-141.

Research and Development of Materials

July 2002 – September 2002

Understanding and Implementing the Performance Standards: The Key to School Readiness – A one-day training on the Florida Birth to 5 Performance Standards

July 2002 – December 2002

Beyond Centers and Circle Time: Scaffolding and Assessing the Play of Young Children – A 30-Hour Early Childhood Curriculum Training for Trainers

July 2003 – December 2003

Beyond Differences & Diagnoses: The Celebration of Inclusion for All Children – An 18-Hour Inclusion Curriculum Training Module for Trainers

July 2004 – September 2004

Understanding the Florida Birth to 3 Learning and Developmental Standards – A two-day training on the Florida Birth to 3 Standards

July 2004 – December 2004

Beyond Cribs and Rattles: Playfully Scaffolding the Development of Infants and Toddlers – A 30-Hour Infant/Toddler Curriculum Training for Trainers

January 2005 – April 2005

Making A Difference!: Linking Language, Literacy, and Play Means Quality Outcomes for Children – A Series of Research Profiles for Trainers

March 2005 – May 2005

Beyond ABC's and Writing My Name – A 5-Hour Early Literacy Module for Trainers

National and Regional Presentations

Beyond Centers and Circle Time Train-the-Trainer. Tallahassee, Florida, March 9-12, 2015

Beyond Cribs and Rattles Train-the-Trainer. Tampa, Florida, July 19-22, 2015.

Play for All Children: Examining The Use of Play-Based Curriculum on Different Sides of the World. National Association for the Education of Young Children. Dallas, Texas. November 7, 2014.

Beyond Cribs and Rattles Train-the-Trainer. Tampa, Florida, July 13-16, 2014.

Beyond Centers and Circle Time Train-the-Trainer. Tallahassee, Florida, March 3-6, 2014.

Play and the Young Child. Full day workshop. Early Learning Coalition of Indian River, Martin, and Okeechobee Counties, Inc. Okeechobee, FL. May 2, 2014.

More Than Custodial Care. Seminole State College 10th Annual Early Childhood Conference. Lake Mary, FL. March 1, 2014.

Meeting the Social and Emotional Needs of Young Children. Seminole State College 10th Annual Early Childhood Conference. Lake Mary, FL. March 1, 2014.

Beyond Cribs and Rattles Train-the-Trainer. Mississippi Child Care and Referral Network. Lake Charles, LA. January 29-31, 2014.

Let's Build: Strong Foundations in Language, Math, and Social Skills. National Association for the Education of Young Children, Annual Conference & Expo. Washington, DC. Nov, 2013.

Beyond Cribs & Rattles. Full day workshop. Suwannee Valley 4Cs Head Start/Early Head Start Summer Institute 2013. Lake City, FL, August 7, 2013.

Scientific Inquiry. One Goal Conference. Tampa, FL., July 18, 2013.

Beyond Cribs and Rattles Train-the-Trainer. Tampa, Florida, July 14-17, 2013.

Is It Misbehavior or Developmentally Delayed Behavior: Meeting the Social and Emotional Needs of Children in Early Childhood Classrooms. National Association for the Education of Young Children Annual Conference. Atlanta, GA. November 7-10, 2012.

Laying the Foundations for Positive Behavior Birth-Three. One Goal Conference. Tampa, FL., July 20, 2012.

Let's Build! Strong Foundations in Language, Math, and Social Skills. One Goal Conference. Tampa, FL., July 19, 2012.

Helping Young Children Develop Mathematical Knowledge. One Goal Conference. Tampa, FL., July 19, 2012.

Beyond Cribs and Rattles Train-the-Trainer. Tampa, Florida, July 15-18, 2012.

Mathematical Thinking and the Preschool Child. 28th Annual Conference on Services for Children with Special Needs Birth-Five. Duval County Public Schools. Jacksonville, FL. April 16, 2012.

Authentic Math. College of Central Florida CF Institute 24th Annual Early Childhood Conference. Ocala, FL. March 24, 2012.

The Enchanted Playground. Clemson University Conference on the Value of Play. Clemson, SC. February 26-28, 2012.

Beyond Building Up and Knocking Down. Clemson University Conference on the Value of Play. Clemson, SC. February 26-28, 2012.

Is It Misbehavior or Developmentally Delayed Behavior. FLAEYC Annual Conference. Orlando, FL. September, 2011.

More Than Building Up and Knocking Down. FLAEYC Annual Conference. Orlando, FL. September, 2011.

Laying the Foundations for Positive Behavior Birth-Three. One Goal Conference. Tampa, FL., July 2012.

Beyond Cribs & Rattles. (Full day workshop) Duval County Public Schools. Jacksonville, FL. October 13, 2011.

More Than Just Building Up and Knocking Down: Scaffolding the Block Play of Young Children. Southern Early Childhood Association (SECA) Savannah, GA., Jan. 2011.

Food, Fun, and Family Style Meals. Southern Early Childhood Association (SECA) Savannah, GA., Jan. 2011.

More Than Recess: Creating a Successful Outdoor Classroom in a Southern Climate. Southern Early Childhood Association (SECA) Savannah, GA., Jan. 2011.

Helping The Biting Or Aggressive Child: Supporting Impulse Control And Language Skills With Toddlers. National Association for the Education of Young Children, Annual Conference & Expo. Anaheim, CA, Nov. 3-6, 2010.

More Than Just Stacking: Using Structured Construction Play Experiences To Teach Math And Science. National Association for the Education of Young Children, Annual Conference & Expo. Anaheim, CA, Nov. 3-6, 2010.

Florida Agency for Workforce Innovation Birth-Three Standards training. Tallahassee, Orlando, West Palm Beach, Miami, and Sarasota, Florida. August 17-20, 2010.

Birth to Three Developmental Standards and Beyond Centers & Circle Time Curriculum. Launching a Child's Future and Supporting Quality in Early Childhood Settings. Brevard County, FL. February 12-13, 2010.

Understanding Symbolic Play And Its Importance In The Early Childhood Classroom. National Association for the Education of Young Children, Annual Conference & Expo. Washington, DC, Nov. 18-21, 2009.

Play: The Universal Language of Young Children. National Association for the Education of Young Children, Annual Conference & Expo. Washington, DC. Nov. 18-21, 2009.

Learning to Read and Write, A Child Centered Approach. National Association for the Education of Young Children, Annual Conference & Expo. Washington, DC, Nov. 18-21, 2009.

Beyond Centers & Circle Time Curriculum and Meeting State Standards. Louisiana Conference on Early Learning. Baton Rouge, LA. January 26-28.

Authentic Assessment: Understanding the Play of Young Children. National Association for the Education of Young Children. Annual Conference & Expo. Dallas, TX., Nov. 5-8 2008.

More Than Custodial Care: Providing Developmentally Appropriate Experiences For Toddlers. National Association for the Education of Young Children. Annual Conference & Expo. Dallas, TX, Nov. 5-8 2008.

Play and the Young Child's Brain: Making the Connections. Early Learning Summit. Chico, CA. October 18, 2008.

Beyond Kitchens & Housekeeping: Dramatic Play and the Young Child. Tennessee Association for the Education of Young Children. Nashville, TN. October, 2008.

Providing An Environment that Supports Positive Social/Emotional Development in Young Children. Tennessee Annual Early Childhood Summit. Nashville, TN. October, 2008.

Beyond Centers and Circle Time. Leadership Connections: McCormick Tribune Center for Early Childhood Leadership. Chicago, IL, 2008.

Beyond Differences and Diagnoses. Leadership Connections: McCormick Tribune Center for Early Childhood Leadership. Chicago, IL, 2008.

Curriculum and the Young Child: What Does Theory and Research Tell Us? Texas Early Childhood Association, 43rd Annual Conference. Fort Worth, 2007.

The Relationship Between Preschool Construction Play and Academic Abilities in Elementary School. The Division for Early Childhood Annual Conference. Council for Exceptional Children. Niagra Falls, 2007.

Language, Literacy, and Play Equal School Success. California Preschool Instructional Network. Regional Network Conference. Bishop, CA, 2007.

Play: The Missing Link. Iowa AEYC Annual Conference. Des Moines, IA, 2007.

Arranging the Environment for Positive Play. North Carolina Early Childhood Association—Annual conference. Raleigh, NC, 2007.

More Than Housekeeping: Understanding Dramatic Play. North Carolina Early Childhood Association—Annual conference. Raleigh, NC, 2007.

I Am What I Imagine Myself To Be: Unleashing the Power of Dramatic Play. Ohio AEYC Annual Conference. Columbus, OH, 2007.

Play: The Missing Link. Ohio AEYC Annual Conference. Columbus, OH, 2007.

More Than Recess: Creating Outdoor Play Experiences for Young Children. Bright Beginnings/Promising Futures, Georgia Early Learning Conference. Atlanta, GA, 2007.

Language, Literacy, and Play Equal School Success. Florida Association of Child Care Managers Annual Conference. Kissimmee, FL, 2007.

Beyond Differences and Diagnosis: The Celebration of Inclusion for All Children. September 28-29, 2005, Orlando, FL.

Beyond Centers and Circle Time: Scaffolding and Assessing the Play of Young Children. June 26-30, 2005, Tallahassee, FL.

Understanding the Florida Birth to 3 Learning and Developmental Standards. June 23, 2005, Clearwater, FL.

Beyond ABC's and Writing My Name – A Master Trainer Seminar. June 13-15, 2005, Tallahassee, FL.

Making A Difference!: Linking Language, Literacy, and Play Mean Quality Outcomes for Children. May 17-18, 2005, Boca Raton, FL.

Making A Difference!: Linking Language, Literacy, and Play Mean Quality Outcomes for Children. May 10-11, 2005, Lakeland, FL.

Making A Difference!: Linking Language, Literacy, and Play Mean Quality Outcomes for Children. April 26-27, 2005, Panama City, FL.

Beyond Cribs and Rattles: Playfully Scaffolding the Development of Infants and Toddlers. January 18-20, 2005, Tallahassee, FL.

Understanding the Florida Birth to 3 Learning and Developmental Standards. December 2-3, 2004, West Palm Beach, FL.

Understanding the Florida Birth to 3 Learning and Developmental Standards.
November 18-19, 2004, Tampa, FL.

Understanding the Florida Birth to 3 Learning and Developmental Standards.
November 15-16, 2004, Tallahassee, FL.

Understanding the Florida Birth to 3 Learning and Developmental Standards.
October 6, 2004, Fort Lauderdale, FL.

Understanding the Florida Birth to 3 Learning and Developmental Standards.
September 30, 2004, Orlando, FL.

Understanding the Florida Birth to 3 Learning and Developmental Standards.
September 22, 2004, Tallahassee, FL.

Beyond Centers and Circle Time: Scaffolding and Assessing the Play of Young Children. July 12-16, 2004, Tallahassee, FL.

Beyond Differences and Diagnosis: The Celebration of Inclusion for All Children.
January 14-16, 2004, Tallahassee, FL.

Beyond Centers and Circle Time: Scaffolding and Assessing the Play of Young Children. November 3-7, 2003, Tampa, Florida.

Beyond Centers and Circle Time: Scaffolding and Assessing the Play of Young Children, April 28 –May 2, 2003, Orlando, Florida.

Beyond Centers and Circle Time: Scaffolding and Assessing the Play of Young Children. March 10-14, 2003, Jacksonville, FL.

Beyond Centers and Circle Time: Scaffolding and Assessing the Play of Young Children. February 17-21, 2003, West Palm Beach, FL.

Beyond Centers and Circle Time: Scaffolding and Assessing the Play of Young Children. February 3-7, 2003, Tampa, FL.

Beyond Centers and Circle Time: Scaffolding and Assessing the Play of Young Children. January 13-17, 2003, Tallahassee, FL.

Understanding and Implementing the Performance Standards: The Key to School Readiness. September 6, 2002, Tallahassee, FL.

Understanding and Implementing the Performance Standards: The Key to School Readiness. September 10, 2002, Fort Lauderdale, FL.

Understanding and Implementing the Performance Standards: The Key to School Readiness. October 21, 2002, Orlando, FL.

Building with Blocks: Supporting and Evaluating Construction Play. The Division for Early Childhood of the Council for Exceptional Children. Annual DEC Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and Their Families. Boston, MA, 2001.

Marker/Crayon Drawing and Easel Painting: Conducting and Evaluating Intervention Activities. The Council for Exceptional Children's Division for Early Childhood. Annual DEC International Conference on Young Children with Special Needs. Boston, MA, 2001.

Enhancing Early Social, Communicative and Literacy Opportunities in the Dramatic Play Environment. The Council for Exceptional Children's Division for Early Childhood. Annual DEC International Conference on Young Children with Special Needs. Boston, MA, 2001.

Play vs. Academics: A Necessary Dichotomy? American Association for the Child's Right to Play. Annual Conference on The Child's Right to Play: A Global Approach. Hofstra University. New York, NY, 2001.

Alligators All Around-Helping the Biting Child National Association for the Education of Young Children. Annual Conference. New Orleans, LA, 1999.

Play-Based Early Education in Inclusive Settings: An Intervention/Evaluation Model. The Council for Exceptional Children's Division for Early Childhood. Annual DEC International Conference on Young Children with Special Needs. Chicago, IL, 1998.

Providing a Developmentally Appropriate Program for Toddlers. National Association for the Education of Young Children. National Conference. Atlanta, GA, 1994.

Caring for Infants and Toddlers in Groups: Necessary Considerations for Emotional, Social, and Cognitive Development. Zero to Three, Nation Center for Clinical Infant Programs. Eighth Biennial National Training Institute. Washington, DC, 1993.

Coordination and Collaboration Rather than Hierarchical Leadership-An Empowering Staff Development Model. Southern Association on Children Under Six. National Conference. Tulsa, OK, 1992.

Peace, Not Just a Curriculum, But a Way of Life: How to Create An Early Childhood Program that Focuses on Non-Violent Conflict Resolution Strategies. Southern Association on Children Under Six. National Conference. Tulsa, OK, 1992.

Coordination and Collaboration Rather than Hierarchical Leadership-An Empowering Staff Development Model. National Association for the

Education of Young Children. National Conference. Denver, Colorado, November, 1991 & Atlanta, GA, 1994.

Insights into the State Legislative Process-Making Grades K through 3 Developmentally Appropriate in Florida. National Association for the Education of Young Children. Annual Conference. Washington D.C, 1990.

Alligators All Around-Helping the Biting Child. Southern Association for the Education of Children Under Six. Annual Conference. Dallas, TX, 1990.

Alligators All Around-Helping the Biting Child. National Association for the Education of Young Children. Annual Conference. Atlanta, GA, 1989.

Small Sample Research as a Tool for Examining Theory and Practice in Early Childhood Education. American Educational Research Association. Annual Meeting. New Orleans, LA, 1988.

Play Strategies with Handicapped Preschool Children. Florida's Leadership Conference; Resources for Pre-kindergarten Programs. Sponsored by Florida Department of Education. Tampa, FL, 1988.

Enhancing Toddler Development Through Music. Southern Association on Children Under Six. Annual Meeting. Memphis, TN, 1987.

Pretend Talk. National Association for the Education of Young Children. Annual Meeting. Washington, D.C, 1986.

Creative Playgrounds. Southern Association on Children Under Six Annual Meeting. New Orleans, LA, 1986.

Joining the Generations: Children and the Elderly. Southern Association for the Education of Children Under Six. Annual Meeting. New Orleans, LA, 1986.

Creative Playgrounds. National Association for the Education of Young Children. Annual Meeting. New Orleans, LA, 1985.

Joining the Generations: Children and the Elderly. National Association for the Education of Young Children. Annual Meeting. New Orleans, LA, 1985.

Enhancing Language Abilities of Three and Four Year Old Children Through Planned Sociodramatic Play. American Educational Research Association. Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, 1985.

Adult-Child Interaction in Children's Learning from "Sesame Street". American Educational Research Association. Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, 1985.

Analysis of Play and Social Levels of Two Types of Preschool Outdoor Play Areas. American Educational Research Association. Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, 1985.

Developmental Approach to Discipline. Annual Convention, Florida Council of Independent Schools. Tampa, FL, 1984.

New and Fun Ways to Use Music with Preschoolers. North Florida Association on Children Under Six, Fall Workshop, Jacksonville, FL, 1984.

Defining, Organizing, Facilitating, and Evaluating the Use of Structured Play Materials By Young Children. National Association for the Education of Young Children, Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, 1983.

"We Know", The Relationship Between Play Materials Found in Children's Homes and Their Performance in School. International Conference on Play and Play Environments, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX, 1983.

Growing and Learning Through Children's Play. 11th Annual Early Childhood Education Workshop, Arkansas Head start T/TA, Program, Arkansas State University, Little Rock, AK, 1982.

Additional conference presentations and in-service trainings are provided on a regular basis throughout the U.S.

International Presentations

Konferensi VI Pendidikan Anak Usia Dini – “Team Building”. October 11-12, 2014. Jakarta, Indonesia.

Konferensi Al Falah – “Parents As Partners: Including Families in the Education of Young Children”. October 6-9, 2014. Jakarta, Indonesia.

Konferensi, Al Falah-“Infants and Toddlers - Early Communication” – workshop series. October, 2013. Jakarta, Indonesia.

Konferensi, Al Falah-“Themes: A Garden of Possibilities”. October, 2013. Jakarta, Indonesia.

Konferensi, Al Falah-“Happy Learning”. October, 2012. Jakarta, Indonesia.

Singapore American School – Training “Math and the Young Child”. October 20-22, 2011. Singapore.

Konferensi, Al Falah-“Educating the Young Child”-workshop series. October 21st.-23rd, 2010. Jakarta, Indonesia; October 26th, 2010 Semarang, Indonesia; October 28th, 2010. Ebud, Indonesia.

Singapore American School – Training “Play and the Young Child (with focus on blocks)”. October 20-22, 2010. Singapore.

Konferensi Kedua Pendidikan Anak Usia Dini “Learning with Meaning”. Jakarta, Indonesia. October 23-25, 2009.

Training at Willowbrook Pre-School. Tokyo, Japan. October 2006, November 2007, November 2008, October 2009, and October 2010.

Training at Summerhill Pre-School. Tokyo, Japan. October 2010.

Konferensi Pertama Pusat Program Pembangunan Anak Indonesia Gedung Dikti, Senayan. Jakarta, Indonesia, November, 2008.

Early Childhood Conference. Mitsui Gardens International Preschool. Tokyo, Japan. October, 2008.

Early Childhood Conference. Mitsui Gardens International Preschool. Tokyo, Japan. November, 2007.

Early Childhood Conference. Mitsui Gardens International Preschool. Tokyo, Japan. September, 2006.

Beyond Centers and Circle Time: Master Trainer Workshop. Departemen Pendidikan Nasional, Al-Falah School. Jakarta, Indonesia, June, 2004.

Understanding Early Education and the Young Child. Simposium Nasional Sehari Pendidikan Anak Usia Dini, Departemen Pendidikan Nasional. Jakarta, Indonesia, May, 2004.

Beyond Centers and Circle Time: Scaffolding and Assessing the Play of Young Children. Departemen Pendidikan Nasional, Al-Falah School. Jakarta, Indonesia, February, 2004.

Understanding and Scaffolding the Development of the Young Child. Simposium Nasional Sehari Pendidikan Anak Usia Dini, Departemen Pendidikan Nasional. Jakarta, Indonesia, January, 2004.

Additional conference presentations and in-service trainings are provided on a regular basis in other countries such as Japan, Indonesia, Singapore, Caribbean Islands, etc.

Keynote Addresses

Using It All: Child Development, Standards, and Research. Creating Quality Learning Environments for Young Children. Early Learning Coalition of Northwest Florida. September 27, 2014. Panama City, Florida.

Reviewing the Past, Present, and Making the Future WORK. Partnering for Success Statewide Meeting. November 15, 2013.

Organizing the Early Childhood Environment. Tennessee Association for the Education of Young Children. Knoxville, TN. October 15-16, 2009.

Organizing the Early Childhood Environment. Northwest Florida State College Early Childhood Conference. November 1, 2008.

Play and the Young Child. The Louisiana Early Childhood Association Annual Conference. Lake Charles, LA. October 23-25, 2008.

Creating A Peaceful Classroom. The Louisiana Early Childhood Association Annual Conference. Lake Charles, Louisiana. October, 2008.

Play and the Young Child's Brain: Making the Connections. California State University at Chico Early Education Conference. October, 2008.

Let The Sunshine In: Building A Resilient Mind. Tennessee Association for the Education of Young Children. Nashville, Tennessee. October, 2008.

The Why of Room Arrangement. Early Childhood Conference Sponsored by Head Start and Public Schools. Muskegon, Michigan. August, 2008.

Alive, Alert, Awake, and Enthusiastic! Annual Osceola County Early Educator's Conference. Orlando, FL. October, 2007.

Providing More Than Custodial Care. Michigan AEYC Annual Infant Toddler Conference. Dearborn, Michigan. September, 2007

Let the Sunshine In. Georgetown First Steps Conference. Myrtle Beach, SC. March, 2007.

Keynote Address. The Early Childhood Association of Hawaii. Hawaii, October, 2004.

The Moment is Now...Seize the Day. Keynote Address. One Goal of Florida 2004 Summer Conference. Tampa, FL. August, 2004.

*Respecting the Rights of Children to Discover Their Own Knowledge:
In Other Words, "Let Them Play."* Keynote Address. The Early Childhood
Association of Florida. Annual Conference. Orlando, FL. September, 2003.

Dr. Phelps is a keynote speaker at numerous conferences in the U.S. and internationally each year.