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EDUCATION

Doctorate	Ph.D. Special Education [*In Progress*] Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA
Master's	MS.Ed. Special Education *emphasis on significant support needs* Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN
Bachelor's	B.A. Art History University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT
Associate's	A.A. Elementary Education Snow College, Ephraim, UT

LICENSES & CERTIFICATIONS

Education	Colorado Department of Education - teachers' license Special Education Generalist: Mild-Moderate & Moderate-Intensive
	Schreyer Institute for Teaching Excellence Course in College Teaching *Certificate of completion of course*
Literacy	Orton Gillingham Certified IDA-accredited Ron Yoshimoto method

HIGHER EDUCATION EXPERIENCE

2025	SPLED Graduate Assistanceship, SPLED course redesign Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA
2025	SPLED 419 Teaching Assistant, Letter sound correspondence assessment, Schuyler's Monster book discussion, My Big Toe book discussion, Early careers professionals module Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA

2024 - 2026 RERC on AAC Research Assistant
Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA

2024 - 2025 GEARS & LifeLink Mentor
Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA

K-12 EXPERIENCE

2018 - 2024 Significant Support Needs Teacher
Arapahoe Ridge Elementary, Westminster, CO

EDITORIAL EXPERIENCE

2025 - Editor, *The Collaborative Chronicle: Newsletter for the Graduate Special Education Research Collaborative*

SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

2024 - 2025 Graduate Research Assistant, RERC on AAC (*Rehabilitation Engineering Research Center on Augmentative and Alternative Communication*) VVSD (*Video Visual Scene Display*) 2025.

2023 - 2024 Teacher of the Year, Arapahoe Ridge Elementary, *from whole building pool of candidates.*

HIGHER EDUCATION TEACHING & TUTORING COURSE EXPERIENCE

Pennsylvania State University

SPLED 419 Assistive Technology for General Education Teachers

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Patenaude, D., McNaughton, D., **DeLaMare-Wood, R.** (2025, November 11-30). *The Effects of a video VSD peer activity on communication of preschoolers with neurodevelopmental disabilities.* Virtual presentation for the ASHA Convention (*American Speech-Language-Hearing Association*), Washington, D.C. (Accepted)

Semmler, B., Buzzeo, N., Mueller, R., Rackensperger, T., **DeLaMare-Wood**, **R**., McNaughton, D., Light, J., Holyfield, C., Jakobs, E. (2025, November 20-22). *Using video visual scene displays to target employment skills with young adults.* Technical presentation for the ASHA Convention (*American Speech-Language-Hearing Association*). Online. (Accepted)

PEER REVIEWED

DeLaMare, R. (2025). Bridging graduate learning and AAC literacy: A reflective integration. *The Collaborative Chronicle: Graduate Special Education Research Collaborative, 1*(2), 12-14.

INVITED LECTURES & PANELS

DeLaMare-Wood, R. (2025, February 24). *Teaching and parenting perspective* [Presentation and discussion]. AAC Colloquium, for RERC on AAC.

SERVICE

National

2008- *International Rett Syndrome Foundation*. Leading research, family support, and advocacy through fundraising, networking, and participation in research.

2022- *AAC Chat Group*. Group to practice modeling AAC use and for AAC users to practice communicating with strangers

2010-2018 *Rett Syndrome Family Support Forum*. Regular discussion on development, problems, treatments and therapies used to treat Rett syndrome.

2012-2016 *Apraxia Kids: Official Support Group*. A national public charity (501c3) dedicated to children with apraxia of speech

Local

2025 - Vice President, The Graduate Special Education Research Collaborative Communications Committee, The Graduate Special Education Research Collaborative

2024-2025 Job Coach, Transition Services with State College School District for GEARS and LifeLink transition programs

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

National Council for Exceptional Children

Local Graduate Special Education Research Collaborative