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EDUCATION

Edd, The University of Texas - Pan American, 2008
Major: Educational Leadership

MEd, Texas State University - San Marcos, 1997
Major: Educational Administration

BS, The University of Texas - Pan American, 1990
Major: Biology
Areas of Emphasis: English

EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor, The University of Texas at Brownsville (UTB) (2006 - 2012)

Academic - Post-Secondary

Associate Professor, Organization and School Leadership, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley (2015)

Licensures and Certifications

Texas Professional Mid-Management/Principal Certification, Texas Education Agency. (August 1998)

Texas Life Provisional Secondary Earth Science (Grades 6 -12), Texas Education Agency. (May 1992)

Texas Life Provisional Secondary Life-Earth Science (Grades 6 - 12), Texas Education Agency. (May 1992)

Texas Superintendent, Texas Education Agency. (May 2007 - May 2012)

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Jesus Abrego and Anita Pankake. *Lead With Me: A Principal's Guide to Teacher Leadership*. New York, New York: Routledge Taylor & Francis Group, 2017. (2 editionth ed., 192).

www.routledge.com/Lead-with-Me-A-Principals-Guide-to-Teacher-Leadership/Pankake-Jr/p/book/9781138785595

Jesus Abrego and Michelle Abrego. *Response to intervention: A school improvement mode*. Anita Pankake & Mark Littleton (Ed.) *The administration and supervision of special programs in education*. Kendall Hunt Publishing, 2012. (3rd Editionth ed.).

Book Chapters

Jesus Abrego and Jaime Lopez. "Some "central" issues in creating professional learning communities: A superintendent's perspective." *Research on the Superintendency Book 1: The Contemporary Superintendent: (R)evolutionary Leadership in an Era of Reform*. Meredith Mountford, Florida Atlantic University. Leigh E. Wallace, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (Ed.) Charlotte, NC: Information Age Publishing, 2018: vol. 1.

Anita Pankake and Jesus Abrego. "Building capacity: The foundation of developing other." *Educational leaders encouraging the intellectual and professional capacity of others: A social justice agenda*. A. Pankake and E.

Murakami-Ramallo (Ed.) Charlotte, NC: Information Age Publishing: Information Age Publishing, 2012:

Anita Pankake, Jesus Abrego, and Gayle Moller. "Sustainability: A constant process for continuing improvement." *Demystifying professional learning communities: School leadership at its best*. K. K. Hipp and J. B. Huffman (Ed.) Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield Education: Rowman & Littlefield Education, 2010: 121-132.

Conference Proceedings

Michelle Abrego, Bobbette Morgan, and Jesus Abrego. *Professional collaboration: Synergistic benefits of working together*. Conference Proceedings of the 2005 Hawaii International Conference in Education, 11-26. (2005)
<http://hiceducation.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/05/2005-Final-Program.pdf>

Journal Articles

Alejandro Garcia, Jesus Abrego, and John Jauregui. Technologies frequently used by elementary principals. Daniel Anderson (Ed.) SAN JOSE, CA 95134: *Universal Journal of Educational Research*. 7, no. 1 (January (1st Quarter/Winter) 2019): 11. http://www.hrpub.org/journals/article_info.php?aid=7649

Alejandro Garcia and Jesus Abrego. Using the Jigsaw Method for Meaningful Learning to Enhance Learning and Retention in an Educational Leadership Graduate School Course. Framingham, Massachusetts : *Global Journal of Human Social Sciences (GJHSS)* . 17, no. 4 (July (3rd Quarter/Summer) 2017): 30.
https://globaljournals.org/GJHSS_Volume17/2-Using-the-Jigsaw-Method.pdf

Alejandro Garcia and Jesus Abrego. Elementary Principal's Technology Leadership Dispositions. *Global Journal of HUMAN-SOCIAL SCIENCE:Linguistics & Education* . 14, no. 9 (March 2014): 1-14.
<https://socialscienceresearch.org/index.php/GJHSS/article/download/1313/1254/>

Alejandro Garcia and Jesus Abrego. Vital Skills of the Elementary Principal as a Technology Leader. *Journal of Organizational Learning and Leadership*. (March 2014)
<http://www.leadingtoday.org/e-journal/vital-skills-of-the-elementary-principal-as-a-technology-leader/>

Michelle Abrego and Chuey Abrego. Graduate program redesign for the preparation of 21st century educational leaders. *Southern Journal of Educational Administration*. 2, no. 1 (April (2nd Quarter/Spring) 2013): 15-30.
https://cstl-coe.semo.edu/pwatkins/SRCEA_Jrl/Journal_Volumes/Spring&Summer%202013.pdf

Anita Pankake and Jesus Abrego. One woman after another: Superintendent succession for sustaining organizational change. *Journal of Texas Women School Executives*. 1, no. 1 (April (2nd Quarter/Spring) 2012)
<https://www.tasanet.org/cms/lib07/TX01923126/Centricity/Domain/163/vol1.pdf>

Chuey Abrego and Anita Pankake. The district-wide sustainability of a professional learning community during leadership changes at the superintendency level. *Administrative issues journal: Education, practice, and research*. 1, no. 1 (February 2011) <http://www.swosu.edu/academics/aij/2011/v1i1-docs/abrego-pankake.pdf>

Jesus Abrego and Anita Pankake. PK-12 Virtual Schools: The challenges and roles of school leaders. *Educational Considerations*. 37, no. 2 (April (2nd Quarter/Spring) 2010)
<http://newprairiepress.org/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1150&context=edconsiderations>

Michelle Abrego, Bobbette Morgan, and Jesus Abrego. Creating win-win partnerships and adding relevance to educator preparation. *Contemporary Issues in Education Research Journal*. 2, no. 2 (2009): 51-57.

Michelle Abrego, Bobbette Morgan, and Chuey Abrego. Adding relevance to school leadership preparation. *Academic Exchange Quarterly*. 12, no. 2 (2008): 165-170.

Michelle Abrego, Iliana Alanis, Reynaldo Ramirez, and Jesus Abrego. The principal's role in retaining para educator turned teacher: Hope for increasing latinas in the teaching force. *Journal of Border Educational Research* . 5, (October (4th Quarter/Autumn) 2006)

Jesus Abrego and Jaime Lopez. Educational change, culture and professional learning communities: Leadership Voices from the Field. *Journal of Research in Leadership Education*.

Jesus Abrego, Alejandro Garcia, Eunice Lerma, and Javier Cavazos. Perceptions of the roles and responsibilities of school administrators perceived by perspective school counselors.

Other

Michelle Abrego and Jesus Abrego. Preparing educators to engage families: Case studies using an ecological systems framework . *The School Community Journal*. 20, no. 2 (2010)
<http://www.adi.org/journal/fw10/AbregoAbregoFall2010.pdf>

AWARDS AND HONORS

Nominated 2016 UT System Regents' Outstanding Teaching Awards. (January 2016)

NCATE Fellow, UTB College of Education (September 2011)

Faculty Exceptional Merit, UTB (September 2010)

Nominated for Chancellor's Council Innovations in Education Award [for The Teaching, Learning and Service Conference (TLS Conference)], UTB (January 2008)

PRESENTATIONS

Alejandro Garcia, Jesus Abrego, and John Jauregui. "Technologies Frequently Used by Elementary Principals," The Consortium of State Organizations for Texas Teacher Education Conference, The Consortium of State Organizations for Texas Teacher Education (CSOTTE) , San Antonio, Texas. (October 22, 2018)

Jesus Abrego. "Teacher Leadership: Research and Voices from the Field." International Academy of Educational Leaders (IAEL), New Orleans, Louisiana. (January 12, 2018)

Jesus Abrego. "Session Facilitator for -- Best Practices from a Charter School: Lessons Learned That Can Be Applied to All Public Schools & Paving the Road to Success," 2017 Annual International Critical Issues Leadership Conference, Organization and School Leadership (UTRGV), South Padre Island, Texas. (September 20, 2017)

Alejandro Garcia, Jesus Abrego, and Maricela Garcia. "Using the jigsaw method in higher education," Mid-Winter Conference, Texas Association of School Administrators , Austin, Texas. (January 31, 2017)

Jesus Abrego. "Teacher Leadership," 2017 Annual Meeting of the International Academy of Educational Leaders (IAEL) , International Academy of Educational Leaders (IAEL) , San Antonio, Texas. (January 14, 2017)

Jaime Lopez and Jesus Abrego. "Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) and School Culture: A Case Study on District-Wide PLC Implementation," AERA 2016, American Educational Research Association, Washington, DC. (April 2016)

Jesus Abrego and Jaime Lopez. "School Leadership Preparation and Development Between Two University Programs that Merged into One: A Critical Insight," 2016 Annual Meeting of the International Academy of Educational Leaders (IAEL), International Academy of Educational Leaders (IAEL), Orlando, FL. (January 2016)

Jesus Abrego, Federico Guerra, Hilda Silva, and A. Salinas. "Planning for early wins and managing resistance," 2015 inaugural Critical Issues Leadership Conference, Organization and School Leadership (UTRGV), Edinburg, TX. (September 2015)

Jesus Abrego, Federico Guerra, Hilda Silva, and A. Salinas. "Collaborative planning: Building a powerful coalition for change," 2015 inaugural Critical Issues Leadership Conference: Exploring The Future Leading Change, College of Education at the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley (UTRGV) , Organization and School Leadership (UTRGV), Edinburg, TX. (September 2015)

Jesus Abrego and Jaime Lopez. "What's culture got to do with it? The implementation of a professional learning community," 2015 Annual Meeting of the International Academy of Educational Leaders (IAEL) , International Academy of Educational Leaders (IAEL) , Tampa, FL. (January 2015)

Alejandro Garcia and Jesus Abrego. "A Study of the Hybrid Instructional Delivery for Graduate Students in an Educational Leadership Course," 2014 Annual Meeting of CSOTTE , CSOTTE, Austin, Texas. (October 2014)

Jesus Abrego and Jaime Lopez. "The role of teacher leadership in the implementation of a district-wide professional learning community," 2014 Annual Meeting of the Association of Teacher Educators (ATE), Association of Teacher Educators (ATE), St. Louis, MI. (February 2014)

Jesus Abrego and Jaime Lopez. "The archeology of a district-wide professional learning community," 2014 Annual Meeting of the International Academy of Educational Leaders (IAEL) , International Academy of Educational Leaders (IAEL) , New Orleans, LA. (January 17, 2014)

Jesus Abrego and Jaime Lopez. "The district-wide implementation of a professional learning community: Challenges to building capacity," 2013 Annual Meeting of CSOTTE , Association of Teacher Educators (ATE), San Antonio, TX. (October 21, 2013)

Michelle Abrego, Jesus Abrego, and Renee Rubin. "Preparing educational leaders to partner with diverse families," 2012 Annual Meeting of CSOTTE , CSOTTE, Austin, Texas. (October 22, 2012)

Michelle Abrego, Jesus Abrego, N. Pace, T. Gibson, and P. Smith. "Curriculum renewal at our institutions," 2012 Annual Meeting of the Association of Teacher Educators (ATE) , Association of Teacher Educators (ATE), San Antonio, TX. (February 2012)

Alejandro Garcia, Jesus Abrego, and Juan Garcia. "Traits of educational technology leaders," 2011 Ahead of the Future Technology Conference College of Education at the University of Texas at Brownsville , COE University of Texas Brownsville, Brownsville, Texas. (2011)

Jesus Abrego and Anita Pankake. "The district-wide sustainability of a professional learning community during leadership changes at the superintendency level," 2011 inaugural Administrative Issues Journal Academic Conference, Administrative Issues Journal Academic Conference, Weatherford, OK. (October 2011)

Jesus Abrego and Anita Pankake. "A superintendent's influence on building a school district's capacity to sustain a professional learning community," 2010 annual meeting of the University Council of Educational Administration (UCEA) , University Council of Educational Administration (UCEA), New Orleans, LA. (October 2010)

Chuey Abrego and Anita Pankake. "Superintendent Succession in Sustaining Organizational Change: One Woman After Another," 2010 annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association , American Educational Research Association, Denver, CO. (May 2010)

Terry Overton, Roman Garcia de Alba, Michelle Abrego, and Jesus Abrego. "School principals' beliefs about RTI and campus level practice," Annual Conference of the National Social Science Association, National Social Science Association, Las Vegas, NV. (March 2010)

Chuey Abrego, Anita Pankake, and Michelle Abrego. "A district-wide professional learning community: Development and sustainability," 2009 annual meeting of the Southwest Educational Research Association , Southwest Educational Research Association (SERA), San Antonio, Texas. (2009)

Janet Shefelbine, Michelle Abrego, and Chuey Abrego. "Learning and Leading With Their Lives: Critical Perspectives from a University-District Partnership within a Hispanic Community," 2009 annual meeting of the University Council of Educational Administration (UCEA) , University Council of Educational Administration (UCEA) , Anaheim, California. (2009)

Terry Overton, Michelle Abrego, Jesus Abrego, and Roman Garcia de Alba. "Professional Development for Response to Intervention," Annual Conference of the National State Development Council, National State Development Council, St. Louis, MO. (December 8, 2009)

Michelle Abrego, Pat Casey, Chuey Abrego, Karen Dunlap, and Bobbette Morgan. "Building the capacity of aspiring leaders to support novice teachers through a collaborative venture," 2009 National Council for Professors in Educational Administration Annual Conference, National Council for Professors in Educational Administration Annual Conference, San Antonio, Texas. (August 3, 2009)

Janet Shefelbine, Michelle Abrego, and Chuey Abrego. "Developing Educational Leaders for a Linguistically Diverse District: A University-District Partnership for the Preparation of Administrators," 2009 American Educational Research Association's Annual Meeting , American Educational Research Association (AERA), San Diego, California. (April 14, 2009)

Chuey Abrego and Anita Pankake. "Sustaining a professional learning community through leadership changes," 2008 American Educational Research Association's Annual Meeting , American Educational Research Association (AERA), Orlando, FL. (October 2008)

Chuey Abrego. "School Counselors and Their Principals: Everything You Ever Wanted to Kno," Fall 2008 annual Faculty Seminar Series of the University of Texas at Brownsville and Texas Southmost College of Education , UTB , Brownsville, Texas. (October 2008)

Chuey Abrego and Anita Pankake. "A professional learning community: How a school District sustained a professional learning community," 2008 annual meeting of the National Council of Professors of Educational Administration , National Council of Professors of Educational Administration , San Diego, California. (August 2008)

Chuey Abrego. "A Teacher's Role: Providing Support To The Whole Child," 2008 annual Orientation Meeting of the Transition to Teaching Through Technology Project at the University of Texas at Brownsville and Texas Southmost College of Education , UTB , Brownsville, Texas. (May 2008)

Michelle Abrego and Jesus Abrego. "Landing the job you want," 2008 Teaching Learning and Service Conference, Teaching Learning and Service Conference (UTB), Brownsville, Texas. (April 2008)

Chuey Abrego. "Teacher Recruitment and Retention: Multiple Perspectives of AC," 2007 annual Advisory Board Meeting of the Transition to Teaching Through Technology Project at the University of Texas at Brownsville and Texas Southmost College of Education, UTB , Brownsville, Texas. (December 2007)

Chuey Abrego and Anita Pankake. "The sustainability of a professional learning community during leadership changes," 2007 annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association, American Educational Research Association (AERA), Chicago, IL. (April 2007)

Chuey Abrego. "Professional Learning Communities," 2007 Anniversary Celebration of the University of Texas at Brownsville and Texas Southmost College School of Education , UTB, Brownsville, Texas. (March 2007)

TEACHING

Courses Taught

Administration and Organization of School Business Services

Administration of HR & Budget

Administration of School Staff Personnel

Analysis of Teacher Behavior

Change for success schools

Curriculum Leadership

Data Mgmt School Improvement

Dissertation

Dissertation I

Dissertation II

Dissertation III

Dissertation Proposal Dev

Education Social Political Problems and The Superintendency

Ethics, Equity and Diversity

First Year Seminar

Instl Ldshp Diverse Learners

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Instructional Leadership

Internship for Principals I

Introduction to Educational Leadership

Leadership Orgn Behavior

Leading School Reform

Org Leadership

Orgn Theory in Education

Principal Internship

Principalship

Pupil Personnel Services

Socio-Cultrl Foundn Ed

Socio-Cultural Contexts of Edu

Special Topic in Educational Leadership
Supervision and Professional Development
Teacher Leadership in Education
The Principalship
Topics in Educational Leadership
Topics in Leadership

Directed Student Learning

Dissertation Committee Chair. Raul Alvarez, , Department of Organization and School Leadership. (July 2018)
Dissertation Committee Chair. Lisa Jensen, "Professional Learning Communities" , Teaching, Learning, and Innovation (UTB). (May 2013)
Dissertation Committee Chair. Diana Guitierrez, "Exploring the Role of Social Justice Reform in a State Accountability System" , Teaching, Learning, and Innovation (UTB). (May 2013)
Dissertation Committee Chair. Rosalinda Vargas, , Teaching, Learning, and Innovation (UTB). (February 2013)
Dissertation Committee Chair. Jaime Villarreal, "Environmental Factors Contributing To The Academic And Professional Success Of Former Hispanic Migrant Students From South Texas" , Teaching, Learning, and Innovation (UTB). (February 2013)
Dissertation Committee Chair. Melissa Castaneda, "A Case Study on Teacher Leadership's Role in a Professional Learning Community's Sustainability: The Influence of Teacher Collaboration and Change in Leadership " , Teaching, Learning, and Innovation (UTB). (August 2011)
Dissertation Committee Chair. Jamie Lopez, "Professional Learning Communities and School Culture: A Case Study in District-Wide Implementation of a PLC" , Teaching, Learning, and Innovation (UTB). (July 7, 2015)
Dissertation Committee Chair. Christie Esparza, , Teaching, Learning, and Innovation (UTB). (July 14, 2013 - June 14, 2015)

SERVICE

Department Service

Committee Co-Chair, Principal Standards / Alignment & Assessment Committee (co-chair). (September 2017)
Committee Member, Search Committee for OSL (in Practice). (2017)
Committee Chair, Curriculum Evolution Committee (serve as member and leader) . (2016)
Committee Member, Tenure Promotion Committee (serve as member). (2016)
Committee Chair, Assessment Committee, Chair. (August 2015)
Participant, completed ADVANCE Associate to Full Program (ATFP). (2016 - 2017)
Committee Member, Leadership Advisory Committee (serve as member). (2015 - 2017)
Faculty Advisor, University Graduate Fair. (September 2017)
Committee Member, Critical Issues Conference Committee (member). (September 20, 2017 - September 22, 2017)
Committee Member, SLOs review and made significant revisions for OSL Prn Cert Only Program. (June 2017)
Committee Member, EDLR Doctoral Program Review, Interviews and Visitation preparation – consultant Dr. Martha N. Ovando (UT Austin). (October 2016 - December 2016)
Participant, Texas Public School Accountability Systems workshop by Dr. Frank Rivera. (2016)
Committee Chair, EPLS (UTB) Personnel Committee Chair. (2013 - 2015)

College Service

Committee Chair, 2017 Lead and Coordinate Lunch & Learn for academic year 2017-2018. (September 2017)
Committee Member, College Strategic Committee. (September 2017)
Participant, TeachLive International Conference -- implement simulation. (June 2017)
Committee Member, Turnaround Partnerships. (May 2017)
Committee Co-Chair, UTRGV CAEP Assessment Unit Committee for College of Education. (2016)
Committee Member, Faculty Review (Tenure & Promotion) Committee. (2015)
Committee Member, UTRGV CAEP & ELCC Standards & Assessment Unit for College . (2015)
Committee Member, Volunteered to review Assessment of SLOs plans via College Assessment Committee [summer] – for 4 college department plans.. (August 9, 2017)
Committee Member, UTB Member of C&I Doctoral Committee for Program Coordinators . (2011 - 2015)

University Service

Faculty Advisor, University Graduate Fair (Brownsville). (September 7, 2017)
Committee Member, Arranged lunch with potential applicant for vacancy -- Dean of Graduate School. (May 3, 2016)
Committee Member, Design group for potential new structure of the institution. (2013)

Professional Service

Editorial Review Board Member , Journal of Interdisciplinary Studies in Education (September 2018)
Reviewer, Conference Paper , Call for Reviewer for AERA (July 2018)
Officer, Other Officer , AERA SIG -- elected as Member-at-Large #1 of the Learning and Teaching in Educational Leadership SIG (2017-2018). (August 2017 - August 2018)
Workshop Organizer , Presenter for San Benito CISD – Frank Roberts Elementary – professional development (2015)

Professional Memberships

University Council for Educational Administration (UCEA)
American Educational Research Association (AERA) (2007)
Association of Teacher Educators (ATE) (2012 - 2014)
National Council Professors Educational Administration (NCPEA) (2009)
Southwest Educational Research Association (SERA) (2009)

Public Service

- Committee Member , Parental Involvement/Dropout Prevention Program Steering Committee: District wide Committee Member for Harlingen CISD , Harlingen , (September 2017 - September 2018)
- Board Member , Board Member for St. Pauls Lutheran Church . (2016)
- Reviewer, Ad Hoc Reviewer , External Reviewer for AdvancED . (2016)
- Reviewer, Ad Hoc Reviewer , External Reviewer for AdvancED . (2015 - 2016)
- Board Member , Gala Committee for St Paul Lutheran Academy ICE Gala 2016 . (2015 - 2016)