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## SCHOOL ADDRESS:

Darden College of Education  
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## EDUCATION:

- 2014 - Present Darden College of Education, Old Dominion University.  
NxtWave Scholar & Ph.D in Curriculum Instruction and Teaching and Learning  
expected in 2019. Program: School Library Science. Advisor: Dr. Jody Howard.  
Research Interest: Urban as an entity in metro and nonmetropolitan areas, its  
impact on younger readers, pre- and in-service school librarians, and librarians in  
the world of educational leadership.
- 2005 - 2008 Darden College of Education. Old Dominion University. Licensure Certification  
in K12 School Library Science.
- 1988 - 1993 Graduate School of Education. City College of New York. M.A. Reading  
Education with emphasis on diagnostics, motivation, and remediation of below  
grade level readers.
- 1974 - 1980 Washington Square College of Arts and Science. New York University. B. A. in  
American History with a focus on social justice issues from 1865 to 1965, and a  
minor in Chemistry.

## EXPERIENCE:

- 2007 - Present School Librarian, Crittenden Middle School, Newport News, VA. Responsibilities  
include management of curriculum support and the day-to-day operations of the  
library media center.
- 1993 - 2007 Middle School English Teacher, Gildersleeve Middle School, Newport News,  
VA. Responsibilities included that of the grade level state curriculum in the subject  
area of language arts for seventh grade.
- 1990 - 1993 Staff Developer, Community School District 25, Central Office District 25,  
Brooklyn, NY. Duties included planning curriculum, organizing and facilitating  
staff development sessions for K8 language arts teachers and staff.
- 1988 - 1993 Classroom Teacher, Rachel Jean Mitchell School (PS 137), Brooklyn, NY.  
Responsibilities included providing grade level state curriculum in the four core  
subject areas of math, science, social studies, and language arts in fourth and fifth  
grade.
- 1983-1988 Fifth Grade Classroom Teacher, Our Lady of Lourdes Day School, New York  
City, NY. Responsibilities included providing grade level state curriculum in the  
four core subject areas of math, science, social studies, and language arts in fourth  
and fifth grade. Religious instruction duties were a prelude to the then two-year  
preparation for the sacramental rite of Confirmation.
- 1978-1983 Teacher's Assistant. Freedom Now School (Uhuru Sasa Shule), Brooklyn, NY.  
Responsibilities included assisting the Head Teacher facilitate a grade level  
literature based curriculum in a non-graded class of five and six year olds. Strong  
focus was on black American, Caribbean, and African history contributive aspect  
to the American experience.

## PRESENTATION OF RESEARCH:

Hinton-Johnson, KaaVonia and Sabrina Carnesi. October 2015. "Can We Talk about Urban Street  
Fiction for Youth?" Virginia Association for Teachers of English (VATE) Annual State  
Conference: Richmond, VA. Back to Basics: Reinigorating the Foundations of Literacy.

Hinton-Johnson, KaaVonia and Sabrina Carnesi. January 2016. "A Radical Change in Urban Street  
Fiction for Youth." Association for Library and Information Science Education (ALISE) Annual  
Conference: Boston, MA. Radical Change: Inclusion and Innovation - Celebrating the Far  
Reaching Impact of Eliza T. Dresang's Work.

## RESEARCH AND MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS:

"The Virgin White Girl Heroine Never Taught Me Anything: A Critical Look at the Growing Need to  
Include Adolescent Urban Street Literature in School Libraries" (manuscript in preparation)

## PRACTITIONER PUBLICATIONS:

- Carnesi, S. (2014) Challenging opportunities: Dealing with book challenges. *Library Media Connection*.  
33(2), 16. Retrieved from  
[http://www.librarymediaconnection.com/pdf/lmc/reviews\\_and\\_articles/featured\\_articles/Carnesi\\_October2014.pdf](http://www.librarymediaconnection.com/pdf/lmc/reviews_and_articles/featured_articles/Carnesi_October2014.pdf)
- Carnesi, S. (2014). My digital leap into simultaneous multi-access e-books. *Library Media Connection*.  
33(1), 10-11. Retrieved from <http://connection.ebscohost.com/c/articles/98009374/my-digital-leap-simultaneous-multi-access-e-books>
- Carnesi, S. (2014). iCivics-a fun way to enhance learning. *Knowledge Quest*. 42(5), 72-74. Retrieved  
from <http://aasl.metapress.com/content/k2851160lm2m74r4/fulltext.pdf>
- Amann, J. & Carnesi, S. (2012). C is for cooperation. *Children & Libraries: The Journal of the Association  
for Library Service to Children*. 10(3), 9-13. Available in EBSCO Assession No. 83919750
- Carnesi, S. (2010). A common chord in our beliefs. *Knowledge Quest*. 28(4), 62-65.
- Carnesi, S. & DiGiorgio, K. (2009). Product profile: Gale Virtual Reference Library. *Library Media  
Connection*. 28(3), 56.
- Carnesi, S. & DiGiorgio, K. (2009) Teaching the inquiry process to 21st century learners. *Library Media  
Connection*. 27(5), 30-36.
- Carnesi, S. (2007). Language arts/English: Expository, narrative, and persuasive. *School Library  
Media Activities Monthly*. 24(4), 12-15.

## NATIONAL PRESENTATIONS:

"Urban, Edgy, and Marginal: The YA Underground, Titles Under Consideration for the 2016 'In the  
Margins' Book Award." American Association of School Librarians National Conference.  
Columbus, OH. November 2015.

“Mini-Treasure Mountain Retreat #20: The Learning Commons in Action.” *Teacher Librarian* and Learning Commons Press Pre-Conference ½ Day Workshop. Las Vegas, NV. June 2014.

“Instructional Partnerships that Deliver Success: Meeting the Leadership Challenge.” 1/2-Day Preconference Workshop for the American Association of School Librarians. American Association of School Librarians National Conference. Hartford, CT. November 2013.

“Using the Planning Guide with *School Libraries Count!*” American Association of School Librarians. Online Learning Series “A Planning Guide for Empowering Learners.” September 2010.

C-Span Book TV. “Best of the Best from University Presses.” American Association for University Presses. American Library Association Annual Conference, Washington, DC. June 2010.

“Growing Learners Together: Successful School and Public Library Partnerships.” School / Public Library Cooperative. American Association of School Librarians National Conference. Charlotte, NC. November 2009.

#### **STATE & LOCAL PRESENTATIONS:**

“We’ve Been Challenged! VAASL Intellectual Freedom Roundtable.” State Intellectual Freedom Annual Report. Virginia Association of School Librarians Annual Conference. Williamsburg, VA. November 2015.

“We’ve Been Challenged! VAASL Intellectual Freedom Roundtable.” State Intellectual Freedom Annual Report. Virginia Association of School Librarians Annual Conference. Roanoke, VA. November 2014.

“Urban, Edgy, and Marginal: The YA Underground, Titles Under Consideration for the 2015 ‘In the Margins’ Book Award.” Virginia Association of School Librarians Annual Conference. Roanoke, VA. November 2014.

“3-2-1! NSLPY! Make Your School Library Program Qualify for AASL’s Most Prestigious Award.” Virginia Association of School Librarians Annual Conference. Roanoke, VA. November 2014.

“The Little Engine that Could: an Attitude for Today’s Librarian.” Darden College of Education Fellow Acceptance Speech. Old Dominion University. Norfolk, VA. November 2011.

“Nudging Towards Inquiry: the Quick & Dirty Approach.” Newport News Public Schools Library and Information Services 21<sup>st</sup> Century Technology Conference. Newport News, VA. February 2010.

“Frontline Advocacy for School Libraries: How to Add that Personalized Touch.” Learning4Life Advocacy Presentation. Virginia Educational Media Association Annual Conference. Roanoke, VA. November 2009.

“Getting off the Ground Floor with the Standards: GOING UP!” American Association of School Librarians Guidelines and Implementation Task Force. Virginia Educational Media Association Annual Conference. Roanoke, VA. November 2009.

#### **HONORS, AWARDS, AND PRIZES:**

October 2011. Alumni Fellow Recipient. Department of Library Science. Darden College of Education. Old Dominion University.  
[http://education.odu.edu/education/ameredweek/2011\\_DCOE\\_Fellows.shtml](http://education.odu.edu/education/ameredweek/2011_DCOE_Fellows.shtml)

November 2011 National Board Certified Teacher Achievement.

#### **MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES:**

American Library Association (ALA)

– American Association of School Librarians (AASL)

##### COMMITTEE / APPOINTMENTS:

Distinguished Service Award, 2015 - 2016

Freedom to Read Foundation AASL National Liaison 2015 -2016

State Intellectual Freedom School Library Representative, 2013-Present

National School Library Program of the Year Award Committee Chair, 2013 -2014

Learning4Life State Coordinator for Virginia, 2009 - 2012.

AASL/ALSC/YALSA Joint Committee of School / Public Library Cooperative, 2008-2012

American Association of University Presses AASL Committee Member Representative, 2007- 09, 2010-12, & 2014 -16

– Association of Library Services for Children (ALSC)

##### COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:

Liaison Committee Member, 2012 - 2014.

Great Interactive Software for Kids Awards Committee Member, 2009-2011

– Ethnic and Multicultural Information Exchange Round Table (EMIERT)

##### COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:

Coretta Scott King Committee Non-jury (CSK), 2015-2017

– Young Adult Library Services for Children (YALSA)

##### COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Popular Paperbacks for Young Adults Selection Committee Member, 2012 -2014.

– Virginia Association of School Librarians (VAASL):

##### COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

State Intellectual Freedom Chair, 2013 - 2015

State Learning4Life Coordinator, 2009 - 2012

York Regional Director, 2009 - 2010

Virginia State Reading Association (VSRA)

Virginia Middle School Association (VMSA)

#### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE:**

##### EDITORIAL BOARD APPOINTMENTS

*AASL Knowledge Question Journal* Editorial Board Member, 2012 - 2016

##### *Journals*

- Editorial Advisory Board Member, *School Library Connection*, 2015-Present
- Editorial Advisory Board Member, *Library Media Connection*, 2010-2015
- Book Reviewer for *School Library Journal*, 2012 - Present
- Book Reviewer for *Library Media Connect*, 2009 - Present

#### **COMMUNITY SERVICE:**

School Library Extra Curriculum Student Activity

- *Knitting4Life* Student Knitting Circle Annually Contributes hand knitted hats to local NICUs
- *CMS Student Geek Squad* rebuilding desktop PCs for Wounded Vets
- *Search Committees*, Old Dominion University, Darden College of Education, Department of T&L: Mary Rice, Doctoral Candidate, University of Kansas, January 23 & 24, 2016; Julie Gorlewski (Culturally Sustaining Practices), Associate Professor, SUNY, February 1 & 2, 2016.