**Paula Cate**

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**EDUCATION:**

**Graduate Studies: University of South Florida**

Department of Communication

Tampa, Florida

Research interests: instructional communication, small group discussion, classroom

communication skills, immediacy in the classroom, theatre arts

performance skills for teachers, teacher talent coaching

**Master of Arts Education**

Educational Psychology

Union College, Barbourville, KY

**Bachelor of Science**

**Education – Secondary Speech Communication and English**

East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, TN.

**TEACHING AND SUPERVISORY EXPERIENCE:**

2009 to present Instructor, Social Foundations

EDF 2005 Teaching as a Profession

Department of Educational and Psychological Studies

College of Education

University of South Florida

2005 to 2008 Adjunct Instructor, Social Foundations

Department of Educational and Psychological Studies

College of Education

University of South Florida

2001 to 2005 Wesley Chapel High School; Pasco County Schools, Florida

English/Speech Communication, Debate/Theatre Arts

Speech and Debate Team Sponsor and Coach

Prior to 2000 Pickerington High School, Pickerington OH

Baltimore County Schools, Baltimore, MD.

Sullivan North High School, Kingsport, TN.

Sullivan Central High School, Blountville, TN

**RELATED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE and QUALIFICATIONS**

Certification in Secondary Education (6-12) *English, Speech and Theatre Arts*

Multi-state professional certification and teaching experience

(Ohio, Maryland, Alabama, Tennessee, Florida)

Clinical Education Training and Certification

ESOL Trained and Experience Teaching ESOL Strategies

CRISS Trained and Standards Based Professional Development Program

Learning Community Team Leader

Teacher Mentor

**EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE**

**University of South Florida**

Undergraduate Program Committee, Vice Chairman

Distinguished Undergraduate Award Committee

Diversity Committee

**Site Based Management Team (Facilitator)**

Seventh District Elementary, Baltimore County Schools

Hereford Middle School, Baltimore County Schools

**School Advisory Committee**

Weightman Middle School, Pasco Co. FL

Wesley Chapel High School, Pasco Co. FL

**PTSA Leadership**:

President: Hereford Middle School, Baltimore Maryland

Vice- President: Wesley Chapel High School, FL

**Additional Professional Accomplishments**:

Private Academy of Performing Arts (8 years)

Owner/Director/Instructor: Theatrical and Dance Arts

Extra-Curricular Leadership Responsibilities

Class Sponsor Wesley Chapel High School

State Award Winning Speech and Drama Team Coach

High School & Community Theatre Musical Director and Choreographer

Communication Director for Sullivan County, TN.

Superintendent’s Election Campaign

Television News Reporter/Producer (Education, City Management Assignment)

## Instructional Communication Workshops, Programs, Productions

Workshop: Developing your Teacher Talent

Workshop: COEDU Middle School Drop Out Prevention

Wrote and Directed: “Academy Award Winning Teachers” Workshop & DVD

Designed and Coordinated:

“Bring Your Parent to School Day” Pasco County Schools

“New Student Orientation Programs” Pasco County Schools

**Awards**

2012 University of South Florida Outstanding Undergraduate Teacher of the Year

2012 December Faculty Member of the Month Award from Kappa Delta Sorority

Community Service Baltimore County PTSA *Volunteer of Year Award*

**Interests:** Cultural Arts, History, Biblical Studies, Dancing, Farming, Grandchildren