## **CURRICULUM VITAE - GREGORY ALEXANDER**

## **1. BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION**

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## 2. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND [QUALIFICATIONS]

1987	MATRIC	STEENBERG SECONDARY
1991	HDE(POST GRAD)	UWC
1990	BA {PSYCHOLOGY &	UWC
	GEOGRAPHY}	
1994	B.ED{PSHYCOLOGY OF	FREE STATE UNIVERSITY
	EDUCATION}	
1997	M.ED {PSYCHOLOGY OF	FREE STATE UNIVERSITY
	EDUCATION}	
2002	DIPL. IN VALUES-BASED	
	LEADERSHIP	WITS UNIVERSITY
2004	P.HD {PSYCHOLOGY OF	FREE STATE UNIVERSITY
	EDUCATION}	
2005	DIPL. IN HRM	INTERNATIONAL
		BUSINESS MANAGEMENT
		COLLEGE OF S.A

#### 2.1 MAIN COURSES (SEE RELATED QUALIFICATIONS)

1991	METHODOLOGY IN SCHOOL GUIDANCE & GEOGRAPHY
1990	PSYCHOLOGY & GEOGRAPHY
1994	EXPERIMENTAL & DEVELOPMENTAL PSYC./ PSYC. OF
	EDUC./ COMPARATIVE EDUC./ DIDACTICS / PHILOSOPHY/
	ORTHOPED./
1997	ABNORMAL PSYC. / DEVELOPMENTAL PSYC./ LEARNING

	PROBLEMS/ SCHOOL GUIDANCE /
	SCRIPT : THE ROLE OF THE PARENT AND COMMUNITY
	REGARDING TEACHER JOB SATISFACTION
2002	CURRICULUM MANAGEMENT/ HUMAN RESOURCE
	DEVELOPMENT/ LEADERSHIP AND MOTIVATION/ SCHOOL
	PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT / FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT/
	ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES OF EDUCATORS IN S.A
	SCHOOLS/
2004	THESIS: THE DESIGN AND EVALUATION OF A STAFF
	DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME FOR AMALGAMATED
	SCHOOLS IN THE NORTHERN CAPE
2005	ORGANISATIONAL BEHAVIOUR & DEVELOPMENT/
	TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT/ PERSONNEL PLANNING/ ART
	OF NEGOTIATION/ LABOUR RELATIONS /

#### **3.TEACHING BACKGROUND AND AREAS OF ASSIGNED SPECIALISATION**

INLUSIVE EDUCATION/ SCHOOL GUIDANCE & LIFE SKILLS / MOTIVATION / STUDY SKILLS / STAFF DEVELOPMENT / SCHOOL AMALGAMATION /MULTI-CULTURAL RELATED ISSUES/ LEARNING STYLES /

#### **4. CURRENT JOBSTATUS**

- Lecturer in the Department Psychology of Education at the Free State University.
- Appointed in January 2006 at main campus.

## 5. AREAS OF ASSIGNED TEACHING RESPONSIBILITY

#### **5.1 LECTURING RESPONSIBILITIES**

2006	ADVANCED CERTIFICATE IN EDUCATION	-ASSESSMENT (ASS 212) -NUMERACY (NUS 212) -STUDYMETHODS AND SKILLS
	B.ED.	-INCLUSIVE EDUCATION (FPE 112) -MOTIVATION AND PROCRASTINATION (EPM 121)
	<b>B.ED</b> [HONOURS]	-LEARNING STYLES AND SELF-CONCEPT (GPL 612)

	-RESEARCH IN EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY -SHORT ESSAY IN EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH (EDU 683)
PGDE-COURSE WORK(MASTERS' DIPLOMA)	-EDUCATION FOR LIVING (PMG 730)
M.ED(PGDE)/M.ED/ PH.D LEVEL	SUPERVISOR OF MASTERS' SCRIPT STUDENTS AND ONE PH.D STUDENT

## 6.NUMBER OF SCRIPTS / DISSERTATIONS / THESES SUPERVISED

- Currently responsible for the supervision of students pertaining to one MEd. script, one MEd dissertations and one Ph.D student
- Facilitated and gave study guidance to 48 students in EDU 683 (Short research Essay/ mini-scripts ) for period 2006-2008

# 7. WORKSHOPS ATTENTED RELATING TO PREVIOUS WORK EXPERIENCE

2002	NORTHERN CAPE EDUC DEPA CRITICAL REFLECTION
	ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF OUTCOMES BASED
	EDUCATION
2003	STRATEGIC PLANNING AND VISION SHARING FOR
	PRINCIPALS OF THE NORTHERN CAPE
2004	LAUNCHING OF WHOLE SCHOOL EVALUATION-
	UPINGTON
2005	LAUNCHING OF INCLUSIVE EDUCATION ROLL-OUT IN
	KATHU (NORTHERN CAPE)
2005	NORTHERN CAPE EDUC. DEP WOMEN AGAINST
	VIOLENCE & ABUSE

1994	SCHOOL GUIDANCE AND SUPPORT- ESS STAFF -
	KIMBERLEY

1995	LIFESKILLS- EDNA ROOTH
	CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT PROCESSES-(NQF/ SAQzA/
	OBE/ FET /HIGHER EDUC. ACT)-SADTU
1996	ESS SUPPORT STAFF(SUICIDE/ CONFLICT RESOLUTION
	DAS(DEVELOPMENTAL APPRAISAL)
1997	SADTU-NATIONAL- CURRICULUM SUPPORT AND
	RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT/RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT)
1998	DDSP(DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT PROGRAMME-
	DR. STEVE HARVEY-LEADERSHIP/ SCHOOL POLICY/
	SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT/ HUMAN RESOURCE
1999	DEVELOPMENT/ INSRUCTIONAL LEADERSHIP)
	QUALITY ASSURANCE AS STPULATED BY THE SAQA ACT
2000	TRANSFOFRMATION AND CHANGE
2001	LEARNING – TEACHING & SUPPORT MATERIAL
	DEVELOPMENT
2002	SGB TRAINING/ EDUCATIONAL LAW-FREESTATE
	UNIVERSITY
2003	CURRICULUM SUPPORT AND DELIVERY
2004	HUMAN RIGHTS AND INCLUSIVITY
2005	IQMS(INTERGRATED QUALITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS)
	& PMS(PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT) FOR EDUCATORS
	& OFFICIALS OF THE NORTHERN CAPE EDUCATION
	DEPARTMENT
2005	NATIONAL CURRICULUM STATEMENT FOR GRADE 10-

## **8.OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE**

- 6 years experience as a Subject Advisor for Geography in the Northern Cape Province. Examiner and Moderator of Grade 12 exam papers for the NCED
- 10 years combined experience at Barkly-West and Dikgathlong multicultural High Schools in the Kimberley District of the Northern Cape Province.
- Head of Department for School guidance and Geography

#### 9. REPRESENTATION ON COMMITTEES / PROFESSIONAL BODIES

#### 9.1 PROFESSIONAL

SACE (SOUTH AFRICAN COUNCIL OF EDUCATORS) EASA (EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH AFRICA) ALUMNI OF NCEE – NATIONAL COUNCIL ON ECONOMIC EDUCATION (USA)-YEP –YOUNG ENTREPRENEURAL PROGRAMME- SANTAM

INSURANCE COMPANY- PRETORIA- RSA

#### 9.2 COMMITTEES

FREE STATE UNIVERSITY – SCHOOL OF EDUCATION / CO-ORDINATER FOR ACE FREE STATE UNIVERSITY – SCHOOL OF EDUCATION-MARKETING COMMITTEE FREE STATE UNIVERSITY- INTER-FACULTY-NATIONAL COUNCIL ON ECONOMIC EDUCATION FREE STATE UNIVERSITY- COMMUNITY SERVICE COMMITTEE FIRST STUDENT CONFERENCE (UFS) – ORGANISING COMMITTEE MEMBER

#### 9.3 OTHER MEMBERSHIP

- BARKLY WEST SUPPORT GROUP FOR SOCIO-ECONOMIC RELATED PROBLEMS
- NEW WORLD FOUNDATION COMMUNITY CENTRE-LAVERNDERHILL (CAPE TOWN)
- MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE OF NORTHERN CAPE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT ON SCHOOL AMALGAMATION / MERGERS

#### **10. CONFERENCES ATTENTED / PRESENTED**

CONFERENCES ATTENTED/ PRESENTED	YEAR	ASPECT(S) COVERED	PRESENTER(S)
International seminar on Economic Education (Fundamentals and Pedagogical methods in Economics Teaching)– Bloemfontein	2006	Orientation to Economic Education and Pedagogical methods	National Council of Economic Education –USA
International seminar on Economic Education (Micro-economics) – Mexico	2007	Micro-economics	National Council of Economic Education –USA
International seminar on	2007	Macro economics	National Council of

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Economic Education (Macro-economics)– Durban			Economic Education –USA
International seminar on Economic Education – Benoni	2007	Educational	EASA affiliates
EASA Conference- Bloemfontein	2006		Dr.G. Alexander
EASA/KENTON International Conference-Wildernis	2006	Paper delivered on School Amalgamation	Dr.G. Alexander
International Conference on Aids/ HIV Durban	2007	Delegate for Community Service Directorate	Dr.G. Alexander
First Education Students' Research Conference- Free State University	2007	Delivered three papers on the following aspects: * An educational investigation into the state of multicultural education in Northern Cape Schools	Dr.G. Alexander
		* The design of a staff development framework for multicultural amalgamated schools in the	Dr.G. Alexander
		Northern Cape * Reflective analysis of pedogogical methods used by the National Council of Economic	Dr.G. Alexander
		Education (USA): A South African	

		perspective	
Heltasa Conference (CUT)-Bloemfontein	2007	* Outcomes in Higher Education – Imagine that!!	Dr.G. Alexander & Dr. I. November
Heltasa Conference (CUT)-Bloemfontein	2007	* Reflective analysis of pedogogical methods used by the National Council of Economic Education (USA): A South African perspective	Dr. G. Alexander & Mr. M. van Wyk

#### **11. WORKSHOPS ATTENTED/ PRESENTED**

WORKSHOPS	YEAR	ASPECT(S)	PRESENTER(S)
ATTENTED/		COVERED	
PRESENTED			
National Council on	2006	Fundamentals in	National Council of
Economic Education-		Economic	Economic
Seminar A-		Education	Education –USA
Bloemfontein			
Article Writing-South- African Journal of Education –Stellenbosch	2006	Writing of abstracts	Prof. Y. Waghid Prof. E. Le Grange Dr. B.van Wyk
HEQC- Pretoria	2006	Training of	HEQC-National
University		Evaluators	Education Dep.
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Professional	2006	Supervision for	Prof. Kapp-
Supervision-		post-graduate	Stellenbosch
Bloemfontein		students	University
Abstract Writing Work session	2007	Skills & analysis in the writing of abstracts for different type of journals	Prof.

Trained 80 Grade 12 teachers on Economic Education- FSED – Bloemfontein and	2007	Micro and Macro economics/ Pedagogical methods	Dr.G. Alexander
Bethlehem respectively			

#### **12. SHORT COURSES ATTENTED**

SHORT COURSES	YEAR	ASPECT(S)	PRESENTER(S)
ATTENTED		COVERED	
Mentorship	2006	Components of a Mentorship model	SHOSO
Professional presentation of articles	2006	Technical aspects when submitting articles	Prof Bezuidenhout
Assessment	2006	Issues relating to assessment	SHOSO
Introduction to Cooperative Learning	2007	General orientation and outline	SHOSO
Planning and Management of Cooperative learning	2007	Methods, group dynamics and planning logistics	SHOSO
Module Evaluation	2007	Unpacking of criteria for module evaluation	SHOSO
Assessor Training –UFS	2007	Compilation of portfolio and group presentations	Dr. E du Toit
Mentorship workshop- A hands on approach to mentoring: Adopting a constructivist approach	2007	Consructivism within a mentorship approach	SHOSO

## **13. PRESENTATIONS MADE**

PRESENTATIONS	YEAR	ASPECT(S)	PRESENTER(S)
MADE		COVERED	
National Union of Educators-National Conference (NUE)- Bloemfontein	2006	Key note address- Unity in Diversity and School Amalgamation	Dr. G.Alexander
Heatherdale High School-Bloemfontein	2006	International Teachers Day- Issues regarding teacher morale and job satisfaction	Dr. G. Alexander
National Professional Teachers' Organisation of South Africa- Ist Provincial Conference – Free State province- Kroonstad	2007	Key note address- Unity and Challenges thereof in Naptosa	Dr. G. Alexander

#### 14. COMMUNITY LIASON/ DEVELOPMENT

COMMUNITY	YEAR	ASPECT(S)	<b>PRESENTER(S)</b>
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DEVELOPMENT			
Study skills Project	2006	Presentation to	Dr. G.Alexander
initiative for grade 12		SMT members on	
learners -Botshabelo		the roll-out of a	
		study skills	
		programme	
Dr. Blok High School	2006	Assisting and	Dr. G. Alexander
		advising in	
		Geography teaching	
		at grade 12 level	
	2007	T	
Member of Decision	2007	Institutionalization	Members of
making committee for		of School Based	Decision making
Institutional Sshool		Programme	committee
based Support			

Programme –		
Community Service		
Directorate- Free State		
university		

#### **15. PROJECT / PROGRAMME INVOLVEMENT**

PROJECT /	YEAR	DONOR	DEPARTMENT
PROGRAMME			LOCALITY
INVOLVEMENT			
Project member –Youth and Community Wellness Programme for Xariep District (Free State Province)	2007	Flander International Cooperation Agency	Centre for Health Systems, Research and Development
Project member- Khoe- San Early Learning Centre	2007	Various	Department Anthropology-Free State University
Panel member –HEQC Review team for Venda University	2007		National Education Department
Santam- Youth in Entrepreneural programme (YEP)	2007/ 2008	Santam	Free State Education Department- FET educators
Joint Research Project (Interdissiplinary approach to Total Quality Management – Southern African Universities)	2008	International	Department of Psychology of Education (UFS) & Department of Business Administration- National University of Lesotho

## 16. RESEARCH OUTPUTS FOR 2006- 2007 – DR. G. ALEXANDER

 Gregory Alexander. 2006. The design and evaluation of a staff development programme for amalgamated schools in the Northern Cape. Proceedings of the joint EASA/KENTON international conference, Wildernis, 29 November- 01 December 2006.

- Gregory Alexander and Ivan November. 2007.
  Outcomes in Higher Education: Imagine that !! Proceedings of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Heltasa International Conference, Central University of Technology, Free State, 19-21 November 2007.
- 3.. Gregory Alexander and Cyrill Kivedo. 2007. An educational investigation into the state of multicultural education in Northern Cape schools. Proceedings of the First Education Conference, University of the Free State, 22 September 2007.
- 4. Gregory Alexander and Cyrill Kivedo. 2007. The design of a staff development framework for multicultural amalgamated schools in the Northern Cape. Proceedings of the First Education Conference, University of the Free State, 22 September 2007.
- Gregory Alexander and Michael van Wyk. 2007. Reflective analysis of pedagogical methods used by the National Council on Economic Education (USA): A South African Perspective. Proceedings of the First Education Conference, University of the Free State, 22 September 2007.
- 6.. Gregory Alexander and Michael van Wyk. 2007. Reflective analysis of pedagogical methods used by the National Council on Economic Education (USA): A South African Perspective. Proceedings of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Heltasa International Conference, Central University of Technology, Free State, 19-21 November 2007.

#### **17. RESEARCH CONTRIBUTIONS**

- \* PH.D RESEARCH TOPIC (THE DESIGN AND EVALUATION OF A STAFF DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME FOR AMALGAMATED SCHOOLS IN THE NORTHERN CAPE BENEFITTED MY RESEARCH OUTPUTS VIA THE FOLLOWING CONTRIBUTIONS :
- 1. As member of the Northern Cape Ministerial Team for Education, I advised broadly on issues relating to policy formulation (frameworks,structures,procedures and amalgamation facilitative processes).
- 2.Assisted and advised the Technical Team of the Kimberley Educational District on approaches to facilitate the process of school integration within Hoer Landbouskool Noord-Kaap, Oliphantshoek High ,Dikgathlong High and Rietvale High)
- 3.Gave motivational sessions at amalgamated / integrated schools (Tweeriviere Primary Dikgathlong High and Hoer Landbouskool Noord-Kaap regarding the aspect of school amalgamation and integration.

4.Assisted Northern Cape Education Department in dealing with issues relating to conflict management and race allegations at Rietvale High