

Brooke Blevins, Ph.D.

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Social studies education expert, focusing on civics education and pedagogy

Biography

Brooke Blevins, Ph.D., is an Associate Professor of Social Studies Education, Chair of the Department of Curriculum and Instruction, and Coordinator of the Secondary Social Studies Education program. Dr. Blevins teaches both undergraduate and graduate courses in secondary education, social studies education, and multicultural education. As a former secondary teacher, Dr. Blevins has a passion for equipping teachers with the resources needed to engage in humanizing social studies education. Dr. Blevins also serves as the co-director for the iEngage Summer Civics Institute, for which she and co-founder Dr. Karon LeCompte have raised more than \$200,000 in grant funding.

Dr. Blevins' research focuses on social studies education as a means to prepare active and engaged citizens. In her work, Dr. Blevins examines how to prepare teachers to develop both political clarity and pedagogical content knowledge that encourages them to engage in transformational based and humanizing social studies education. In addition, Dr. Blevins is also interested in how to educate and empower young people to become active civic participants through participation in action civics and digital technologies.

Dr. Blevins's work has been published in journals such as *Theory and Research in Social Education*, *Social Studies Research and Practice*, *The Social Studies*, *Multicultural Perspectives*, *The Teacher Educator*, and the *Journal of Social Studies Research*. She is a member of the Social Studies Inquiry Research Collaborative (SSIRC), which examines the impact of authentic intellectual work in social studies classrooms.

Dr. Blevins was named a Baylor University Fellow in 2017 and a Senior Fellow in 2018. Dr. Blevins has won several awards for her research including the 2013 Jon Laska Outstanding Dissertation Award from the American Association of Curriculum and Teaching and the 2011 Best Paper Award from the AERA Research in Social Studies Education SIG for her work with SSIRC. Dr. Blevins serves as the media and book review editor for *Theory and Research in Social Education*. An active member of the College and University Faculty Assembly of the National Council for the Social Studies, Dr. Blevins was elected the 2019 Chair of the CUFA Executive Board. Dr. Blevins currently has also served on the CUFA Executive Board and as the program chair for the 2016 conference in Washington, D.C. Dr. Blevins is also a member of the Illuminate Human Flourishing, Leadership, and Ethics subcommittee.

Industry Expertise

Research, Writing and Editing, Education/Learning, Program Development, Public Policy, International Affairs

Areas of Expertise

Multicultural Issues in Education, Teacher Education, Civics Education and Citizenship, Social Studies Education, Action Civics Pedagogy

Affiliations

College and University Faculty Assembly (CUFA) : Board Member

Education

University of Texas at Austin

Ph.D. Social Studies Education

Trinity University

M.A. Secondary Education

Trinity University

B.A. Economics and Speech Communications

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