

## VITA

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### EDUCATION

<u>Date Received</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Major</u>
5/2019	Ed.D.	University of Colorado Denver	Leadership for Educational Equity Concentration: Early Childhood Education
5/2005	M.A.	University of Colorado Denver	Early Childhood Education
5/1998	B.A.	University of Colorado Boulder	Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences

### *Certifications*

Colorado	Early Childhood Special Education Teacher License, 2005-Present
Colorado	Principal License, 2019-Present
Leadership Certificate	Buell Early Childhood Leadership Program

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Position</u>
2021-Present	Clinical Assistant Professor Early Childhood Education School of Education and Human Development University of Colorado Denver

2019-2021	Senior Instructor Early Childhood Education School of Education and Human Development University of Colorado Denver
2018-2019	Instructor Early Childhood Education School of Education and Human Development University of Colorado Denver
2016-2018	Guest Lecturer/Adjunct Faculty Early Childhood Education School of Education and Human Development University of Colorado Denver
2012-2018	Early Childhood Special Educator Emerald Elementary Boulder Valley School District Broomfield, Colorado
2007-2012	Early Childhood Special Educator STARS Early Learning Center Adams 14 Schools Commerce City, Colorado
2005-2007	Learning Specialist Kemp Elementary Adams 14 Schools Commerce City, Colorado
2004-2005	Teaching Assistant Early Childhood Education School of Education and Human Development University of Colorado Denver
2002-2005	Speech Language Pathology Assistant Adams 12 Five Star Schools Thornton, Colorado

**GRANTS FUNDED**

<i>Internal</i>	Center for Teaching and Learning
2020-2021	Teaching Enhancement Grant, "Unboxing Pedagogy Study"
\$2,000	Funds frozen- 8/14/2020, reinstated 7/31/2021

External  
2017

Boulder Valley School District  
Invest in Kids – The Incredible Years® Funding Award  
\$5,713

## NON-PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS/WORKSHOPS

- 2022      **Laser, A.** & Debay, D. J. (2022, in press). Unboxing Pedagogy: Building community in online spaces through the mail. In *The Professors @ Play Playbook*.
- 2022      **Laser, A.** (2022, August). Becoming Unstuck. School of Education and Human Development, University of Colorado Denver, Monday Morning Message [Electronic mail list serv].
- 2022      **Laser, A.** (2022, May). Supporting Big and Small Transitions. In *Fayette County Professional Development/Workshop*. Fayette County School District.
- 2022      **Laser, A.** (2022, February). Belonging in Arts Experiences for Young Children. *Clyfford Still Museum Staff Meeting*.
- 2022      **Laser, A.** (2022, February). Embedded Instruction in ECE Classrooms. *Fayette County Professional Development/Workshop*. Fayette County School District.
- 2021      **Laser, A.** (2021, December). The Heart of Inclusion. *Professional Development/Workshop- Fayette County School District*. Fayette County School District.
- 2021      **Laser, A.** (2021, July). *It's Worth Mentioning*. School of Education and Human Development, University of Colorado Denver, Monday Morning Message [Electronic mail list serv].
- 2021      **Laser, A.** and Barla, M. (2021, March) *Inclusion: Building Communities for All*. Anchor Center for Blind Children Parent Workshop.
- 2021      **Laser, A.** (2021, March). *Centering Childhood: Appropriate Practices for Young Children*. Clyfford Still Museum Educator Training.

- 2021 **Laser, A. & DeBay, D.** (2021, January). *Building Community Through Play*. Colorado College Creativity and Innovation Workshop.
- 2020 **DeBay, D. & Laser, A.** (2020, July). *PreK-20 Recess: Play in the Time of Pandemic*. Weeklong Workshop, Digital Pedagogy Lab.
- 2020 **DeBay, D. J., & Laser, A.** (2020). *Unboxing technology's role in diversity, equity and inclusion*. *CU Connections*.
- 2020 **Laser, A.** (2020, June). *Showing Up as Human to Build Community*. HFT Summer Academy Teaching Blog.
- 2020 **Laser, A. & DeBay, D.** (2020, May). *Designing Recess in Difficult Times*. Digital Pedagogy Lab Blog.
- 2020 **Laser, A.** (2020, February). *Uncomfortably Exciting Opportunities*. School of Education and Human Development, University of Colorado Denver, Monday Morning Message [Electronic mail list serv].
- 2019 **Laser, A.** (2019, October). *Curating a Classroom Environment that Promotes Belonging*. Fort Lewis Southwest Early Childhood Conference.
- 2019 **Laser, A.** (2019, August). *The Power of Inclusion: What to Expect for Your Preschooler Enrolled in an Inclusive Preschool*. NAEYC For Families Blog.
- 2019 **Laser, A.** (2019, July). *The DRP Support Crew*. School of Education and Human Development, University of Colorado Denver, Monday Morning Message [Electronic mail list serv].
- 2019 **Laser, A. & Steed, E.** (2019, June). *Preschool Funding and Allocation in Colorado*. Workshop, Akaki Tsereteli State University, Kutaisi, Republic of Georgia.
- 2019 **Laser, A.** (2019, January). *Families at the Center*. Division for Early Childhood Student SIG Blog.
- 2018 **Laser, A.** (2018, September). *Words of Dissertation Wisdom*. Division for Early Childhood Student SIG Blog.
- 2017 **Laser, A.** (2017, March). *Encouraging Your Child to Lead*. NAEYC For Families Blog.

2016 **Laser, A.** (2016, July). *Tuning Out to Tune In: How Time Outside Can Improve Readiness to Learn Inside*. NAEYC For Families Blog.

### PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

2020 Gillanders, C., Riojas-Cortez, M., **Laser, A.**, Miller, C., & Rudman, N. (2020). Preparing LatinX early childhood educators. *Journal of Early Childhood Teacher Education*.

### PEER REVIEWED PRESENTATIONS AT MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES

2021 **Laser, A.** & Debay, D. (2021, September). Unboxing Pedagogy: Building Community in Online Spaces. Poster presentation *Division for Early Childhood 2021 Virtual Conference*.

2021 **Laser, A.**, & Pfitzer, J. (2021, September). Centering Families: Meaningful Strategies for Participatory IEP Meetings. In *Division for Early Childhood 37th International Conference on Young Children with Disabilities and their Families*.

2021 DeBay, D. & **Laser, A.** (2021, May). *Unboxing Pedagogy: Engaging Online Students through the Mail*. Colorado Wyoming Association of Teacher Educators.

2020 DeBay, D. & **Laser, A.** (2020, August). *Unboxing & Unpacking Pedagogy: (Re)humanizing Online Learning by Mail*. Colorado Learning and Teaching with Technology Annual Conference.

2019 Rausch, A., Barla, M., & **Laser, A.** (2019, January). *Practices to Support Inclusion: A Division for Early Childhood Subdivision Workshop*. Rocky Mountain Early Childhood Conference.

2018 Steed, E. & **Laser, A.** (2018, October). *Out of the Box: Graduate Study Tour in the Republic of Georgia*. Poster Presentation at the Division for Early Childhood of the Council for Exceptional Children's International Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and Their Families.

### PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Member Division for Early Childhood of the Council for Exceptional Children

Member Council for Exceptional Children

Member National Association for the Education of Young Children

Member	Colorado Association for the Education of Young Children
Treasurer	Colorado Division for Early Childhood of the Council for Exceptional Children
Member	Buell Early Childhood Leadership Alumni Network

## **COURSES TAUGHT AT UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO DENVER**

<u>Course and Number</u>	<u>Level</u>	<u>Department</u>
ECED 5060: Working with Families and Communities	Graduate	Early Childhood Education
ECED 4060: Working with Families and Communities	Undergraduate	Early Childhood Education
ECED 5091: Educators As Social Change Agents	Graduate	Early Childhood Education
ECED 6330: Supportive Social Learning	Graduate	Early Childhood Education
ECED 4200: Screening and Assessment of Young Children	Undergraduate	Early Childhood Education
ECED 6100: Medical and Physiological Aspects of Developmental Disabilities	Graduate	Early Childhood Education
ECED 4202: Guidance Strategies	Undergraduate	Early Childhood Education
ECED 6910, 6912, and 6914: Practicum Supervision	Graduate	Early Childhood Education
ECED 5200: Screening and Assessment of Young Children	Graduate	Early Childhood Education
ECED 5070: Social Competence and	Graduate	Early Childhood Education

## Classroom Supports

ECED 6010: Literacy and Mathematics, K-2                      Graduate                      Early Childhood Education

ECED 5850: Capstone in The Republic of Georgia                      Graduate                      Early Childhood Education

## **GUEST LECTURES AT UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO DENVER**

2022                      *Case Management; Transitions.* ECED 6910/6912/6914: Practicum Experiences.

2021                      *TS Gold and Curriculum Based Assessment.* ECED 5200: Screening and Assessment of Young Children.

2021                      *TS Gold and Curriculum Based Assessment.* ECED 4200: Screening and Assessment of Young Children.

2020                      *Considering Deficit Thinking in Light of Trauma Informed Practices.* HDFR 5830: Trauma Informed Care and Play Therapy in ECE.

2020                      *Child Guidance and Social Emotional Development.* ECED 2000: ECE as a Profession.

2020                      *Foundations of Inclusion.* ECED 2000: ECE as a Profession.

2020                      *TS Gold and Curriculum Based Assessment.* ECED 5200/4200: Screening and Assessment of Young Children.

2019                      *International Perspectives.* ECED 7000: Early Childhood Leadership Seminar.

2019                      *Child Guidance and Social Emotional Development.* ECED 2000: ECE as a Profession.

2019                      *Foundations of Inclusion.* ECED 2000: ECE as a Profession.

2019                      *TS Gold and Curriculum Based Assessment.* ECED 4200: Screening and Assessment of Young Children.

2018                      *TS Gold and Curriculum Based Assessment.* ECED 4200: Screening and Assessment of Young Children.

2016 *TS Gold and Curriculum Based Assessment. ECED 5200: Screening and Assessment of Young Children.*

## **SERVICE**

### *NATIONAL*

2021-present aRPy Ambassador, Division for Early Childhood Recommended Practices

2022 Reviewer, Conference Proposals, Division for Early Childhood (of the CEC) 38th Annual International Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and their Families

2021 Reviewer, Conference Proposals, Division for Early Childhood (of the CEC) 37th Annual International Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and their Families

2020 Reviewer, Conference Proposals, Division for Early Childhood (of the CEC) 36th Annual International Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and their Families

2018-2019 Editor, Student SIG Blog Division for Early Childhood of the Council for Exceptional Children

### *STATE*

2018-Present Treasurer, Executive Board, Colorado Division for Early Childhood of the Council for Exceptional Children

### *COMMUNITY*

2020-present Board of Directors, Anchor Center for Blind Children

2020-2021 Committee Member, Anchor Center for Blind Children DEI Committee

2019-2021 Volunteer, Casa de Paz

2018-2020 Executive Team, Belong Church, representing children's programming



- 2019 School Accountability Committee, Broomfield Heights Middle School
- 2019 Judge, Adams 12 School District, Northglenn High School Project Based Learning Project
- 2018 Judge, Adams 12 School District, Northglenn High School Physics- KidSpace Project, Project Based Learning
- 2015-2016 Design Advisory Committee, Emerald Elementary School, Broomfield, Colorado

*UNIVERSITY*

- 2022 Search Committee Member, Associate Vice Chancellor for Faculty Affairs
- 2022 Participant, CU Denver holidays through a DEI Lens and Floating Holiday Recommendation Meetings
- 2022 Faculty Attendee, Spring Commencement
- 2021 Volunteer, Block Party Set Up
- 2021 Co-chair, 2021 ThingStudio Unconference: *Humanizing Higher Education with Care and Joy*
- 2021 Volunteer, Cross the Quad
- 2019 Faculty Attendee, Winter Commencement

*SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT*

- 2021-2022 Chair, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee
- 2021 Search Committee Member, Associate Dean for Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion
- 2021 Volunteer, Block Party School of Education and Human Development Table
- 2019-2021 Member, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee

2019 Volunteer, Block Party School of Education and Human Development Table

### **AWARDS AND HONORS**

2022 School of Education and Human Development IRC Faculty Excellence in Service

2021-2023 aRPy Ambassador program- Selected as one of 13 ambassadors nationally and internationally to promote and disseminate information on the Recommended Practices for the Division for Early Childhood of the Council for Exceptional Children.

2019-2021 ThingStudio Fellow- Selected as one of six ThingStudio fellows for the University of Colorado Denver. This position supports and moves the teaching and learning mission of the university forward. Faculty promote and share practices in teaching and learning with colleagues by organizing and playing leadership role in ThingStudio programming.

2015-2016 Buell Early Childhood Leadership Program Fellow