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[2023 SIMposium - July 11-13, 2023 - Celebrating KUCRL's 45th Anniversary!](#)



We're very excited to see everyone this July as we celebrate 45 years of the KU Center for Research on Learning with a Disco theme! We have many former CRL Doc Students, retired SIM Network members, and special guests planning to attend.

This year's **Keynote Speaker, Award Winning Educator, [Cynthia Coburn](#)** will speak with us about *Spreading and Sustaining Equitable Innovations*.

- **Keynote Description:** One of the biggest challenges in achieving scale for innovations is sustainability. This may be especially true for innovations that require teachers to learn new things and the school system to operate in different ways to support all learners. In this talk, following a discussion of the nature of sustainability at scale, Cynthia will discuss challenges faced in sustaining innovations that target students who have not historically been well served by schools. She will then discuss different strategies for supporting and sustaining the work.

With exciting presenters and fun opportunities to reconnect with friends and colleagues and make new connections, this will be a conference you won't want to miss.

So, grab your leisure suit and a friend and get registered today to boogie on down to the SIMposium!

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## **SIM News & Resources**

- There's a **New SIM Storycorps!** In this edition, Pam Leitzell and Gloria Sherman talk about how SIM has impacted their teaching and expanded their horizons.

[Listen to or Read the March 2023 StoryCorps now](#)

- Check out the [New SIM Forum](#), an online medium where ideas and views on SIM can be shared. This month's article: *Higher Order Thinking and Reasoning (HOTR) Routines Support Rigor*, Craig Wisniewski
- **New Videos for the Network:**



- [Fundamentals in Sentence Writing Strategy](#)
- [Proficiency in Sentence Writing Strategy](#)
- [Paragraph Writing Strategy](#)

## **SIM in the Field**

***Florida Project Makes a Big Impact in School Participation and Adolescent Reading*** - from OSEP's April 2023 Update

The Florida State Personnel Development Grant (SPDG) supports [Check and Connect](#) implementation. In schools at the initial to full implementation stages of Check and Connect, 85% of students with disabilities showed progress or met the target for attendance. This was 15% greater than the target set.



Additionally, the Florida SPDG supports the Strategic Instruction Model (SIM). In schools at the initial or full implementation stages of SIM, 90% of students who participated in the reading intervention showed progress or met the grade-level reading target. This was 20% greater than the target set.

Together, these data represent impact for more than 1300 students.

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- **Publications From the SIM Network:**

- Brittany L. Hott (editor). (2023) *Quality Instruction and Intervention: Strategies for Secondary Educators*. Rowman & Littlefield Publishers. ISBN:1538143763.
  - Kahn, S., Lintner, T., **Minarik, D.**, & Taylor, J. Chapter 8: Science and social studies instruction
  - Taylor, J., **Minarik, D.**, Kahn, S., & Lintner, T. Chapter 9: Science and social studies intervention.
  - **Keith B. Lenz**. Chapter 12: Good Study Strategies.
- Carreon, Adam, **Smith, Sean**, Frey, Bruce, **Rowland, Amber**, Mosher, Maggie. (2023). Comparing immersive VR and non-immersive VR on social skill acquisition for students in middle school with ASD. *Journal of Research on Technology in Education*. 1-14. 10.1080/15391523.2023.2182851.
- **Jean Bragg Schumaker** (2023) The Effects of Four Multimedia Writing Strategy Programs on Secondary Students' Sentence, Paragraph, and Theme Writing, Exceptionality, DOI:[10.1080/09362835.2023.2174985](https://doi.org/10.1080/09362835.2023.2174985)
- Margaret P. Weiss, **Jocelyn Washburn**, Marilyn Friend, Tammy Barron. Chapter 1: Collaborate with Professionals to Increase Student Success 1. *High Leverage Practices for Intensive Interventions*. Edited By James McLeskey, Lawrence Maheady, Bonnie Billingsley, Mary T. Brownell, Timothy J. Lewis, Sheila Alber-Morgan. Routledge Publishing. 2023.
- **Jocelyn Washburn**, Bonnie Billingsley. Chapter 2: Organize and Facilitate Effective Meetings with Professionals and Families. *High Leverage Practices for Intensive Interventions*. Edited By James McLeskey, Lawrence Maheady, Bonnie Billingsley, Mary T. Brownell, Timothy J. Lewis, Sheila Alber-Morgan. Routledge Publishing. 2023.

### Upcoming SIM Events for Educators:

- SIM Online Classes (self-paced courses on Canvas, with follow-up coaching session)
  - [Framing Routine](#)
  - [Fundamentals of Paraphrasing and Summarizing Strategy](#)
  - [Possible Selves Strategy](#)
  - [Sentence Writing Strategies \(Fundamentals and Proficiency\)](#)
  - [SIM PDer<sup>2</sup> Pathway: A Two-Part Institute to Build Your Capacity Exponentially](#)- For Prospective SIM Professional Developers - June 2023-May 2025 This two-year pathway to SIM certification is especially designed for individuals who are in positions to facilitate professional learning for teachers and likely do not have their own classroom.
    - [Information Session: April 25th, 12-1:00 pm EST](#)

### 2023 SIMposium Information

#### FEATURED SPEAKERS



[Keynote Session with Cynthia Coburn](#)

[Deep-Dive Session with Jim Knight](#)

[Mini-Keynote Session with Cathleen Beachboard and Janice Creneti](#)

[Highlighted Breakout Sessions](#)

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- **Conference Hotel:**

**[Springhill Suites](#) by Marriott - Lawrence Downtown**

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Lawrence, Kansas, USA, 66044

[Toll Free:+1-785-841-2700](#)

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Group Name: 45th Annual SIMposium

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