

Biographical sketch

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Over the past five years Nathan has co-edited 3 books and written numerous book chapters and refereed journal articles and also conducted presentations in five states and at the Education Development Center, Inc. & The Wallace Foundation Practitioner’s Forum regarding the efforts in Louisiana to redesign educational leadership programs including the lessons learned at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. He is a Louisiana Mediator for Special Education cases, a former Due Process Hearing Officer and a frequent presenter at the national Education Law Association conference, the Louisiana Athletic Directors meeting and the state Super Conference on Exceptional Children. He is also a founding board member of the non-profit National SAMs Innovation Project that is found in over 800 schools in 22 states.