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**Alice Baggett** has a B. A. in Archaeology and an M.A. in Education. For fifteen plus years, she worked as a Technology Specialist with K-3 students. The rapid changes in educational technology coupled with Alice's desire to help her young students create, and not just consume, with technology led her to incorporate as many building challenges as possible into her curriculum. Before she knew it, she had a closet full of motors, LEDs, pom-pom balls, and googly eyes, and her students were consistently wowing her with their wacky inventions. She knew she was onto something powerful when one of her students asked, "how do you tell the difference between an epic failure and a spectacular discovery?"

**For more information on Alice Baggett visit her website at <http://alicebaggett.wixsite.com/mysite>**



**Michael Boll, M.A.** is an Apple Distinguished Educator, Podcaster, and Technology Coach at the International School Bangkok. Michael enjoys helping educators, parents, and students harness the transformative powers of technology and is an enthusiastic instructional designer and presenter. He works to make his courses and presentations information packed, slightly provocative, and fun. Michael has a teenage son with profound autism and is keenly interested in the special needs community and its population of diverse learners. This interest led Michael and his wife, Lori Boll, to open an innovative school in Shanghai (ShineAcademy.asia) for their son.

**For more information on Michael Boll, and to view his courses, go to [www.hol.edu](http://www.hol.edu).**



**Ann DeChenne, Ed. M.,** has been an educator for 13 years, working primarily with language learners and at-risk youth. She is currently in the dissertation phase of her Ph.D. studies, focusing on language in the math classroom. A few years ago, Ann visited Chile S.A. and was saddened by the lack of reading and learning material for some more impoverished schools. As a result, she founded a 501c3 non-profit that has provided over 300 books and provides professional development services and training to teachers and administrators in Southern Chile.

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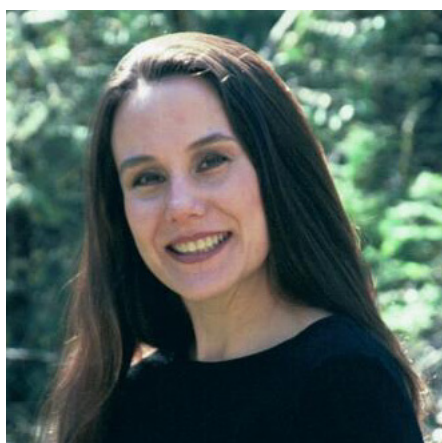
**Dr. Patricia Dickenson** is an Associate Professor of Teacher Education, a Program Lead for the Bachelor of Arts In Interdisciplinary Studies with the Preliminary Multiple and Single Subject Credential. Her research area focuses on mathematics professional development, and technology. Dr. Dickenson has worked in higher education for the past eight years, published two books, and has over 12 book chapters and articles.

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**Aleta Doss, Ed, M.**, during Aleta's teaching career of twenty-three years, she has been honored to teach students from fifth grade through dual credit calculus. She holds teaching certificates from Oregon, Washington, and the National Board. She has taught in Beaverton, Oregon, Japan, Mexico, and the Cayman Islands. Over the last fourteen years, she has worked for the Oregon Trail School District at Sandy High School. Aleta delights in individualizing instruction for students who come to the classroom with a variety of learning needs. As a board member for OCTM and as a department coordinator at her school, she loves to collaborate with fellow K-12 teachers to help all students learn.

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**Julie Frederick, M.A.**, has been teaching since 2008 in the Oregon Trail School District and since 2016 as an instructor for the Mt. Hood Community College dual credit program. She has taught at both the secondary and elementary levels and across multiple disciplines. Her enthusiasm in the classroom and ability to engage students at all levels have earned her an Excellence in Education Award in her district and her district's nomination for Oregon Teacher of the Year. Her focus in whatever subject she teaches, or at whatever level, is creating an environment that fosters a love of learning.

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**Dario Mobini, Ed. M.**, was born and raised in Rome, Italy. He finished high school in San Diego, CA, graduated from the Franciscan University of Steubenville with a degree in Theology and Philosophy and a higher degree in Theology at the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas - The Angelicum. Mr. Mobini has been involved in youth ministry and education for the past 20 years in and outside the classroom in CYO, Young Life, Life Teen, Campus Ministry, and as a pilgrim guide on countless trips abroad. He is a freelance journalist and editor of [worldyouthday.com](http://worldyouthday.com) Media and has been teaching at Kennedy Catholic School for 12 years.

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**Brenda McKinney, M.A.** & CEO of Vancouver, WA based BrainVolution, is a developer and dynamic facilitator of workshops that teach practical thinking and learning tools for raising student achievement with the brain in mind. She brings 30+ years of experience at the elementary, middle school, high school, and university level as a mentor teacher, consultant, motivational speaker, university instructor, and reading specialist. Brenda has her Master's in Education from Washington State University and is nationally certified in Brain- Based Learning through the renowned Jensen Corporation, led by Eric Jensen, a noted international spokesperson for neuroscience and education.

**For more information on Brenda McKinney, and to view her courses, go to [www.hol.edu](http://www.hol.edu).**



**Eva Varga, M.A.**, has a deep respect for history and nature. As an undergraduate, she pursued a dual degree in General Science and International Studies and earned her Master of Arts in Teaching at Oregon State University in Elementary Education. Eva taught for six years in the public schools and has received numerous awards and grant honors to develop and integrate non-native species curriculum. She teaches online science courses for youth on Outschoool as well as English to children in Asia with VIPKid.

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**Lena Wheeling, Ed. M.** is a second-grade teacher, has experience as a Title I math and reading. She works at the District level to train teachers in trauma-informed care and social-emotional learning strategies. She has a Bachelor's of Education majoring in multidisciplinary studies and elementary education, a Masters of Education. Lena also has an endorsement in Reading K-12, ESOL K-12, and Elementary-Multiple Subjects, and recently completed a program at George Fox for my Initial Administrative Licensure. **For more information on Lena Wheeling you may email her at [lena.wheeling@lagrandesd.org](mailto:lena.wheeling@lagrandesd.org)**