

# **Stephen Hernandez**

**Associate Professor of Specialized Programs in Education at Hofstra University**

Hempstead, NY, US

Stephen Hernandez is a specialist in teacher certification, special education and early childhood special education.

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## **Biography**

Stephen J. Hernandez has been a member of the faculty in the School of Education at Hofstra University since 2004. In addition, he has extensive experience as an adjunct professor at other area colleges, teaching courses in special education, disabilities, child development, psychology, and non-profit management. Dr. Hernandez earned his B.A. from Fordham University, a M.S. in Education from Long Island University-Brooklyn College, a Professional Diploma in Educational Administration from Fordham University's Graduate School of Education and his Doctor of Education from Hofstra University. In addition to Dr. Hernandez's work in academia, he has worked for over thirty years serving individuals with special needs. He has held positions ranging in scope from direct care service provider to classroom instructor to various administrative capacities. Most recently as an administrator with the Brookville Center for Children's Services at Marcus Avenue in New Hyde Park, NY as well as at United Cerebral Palsy of Westchester in Purchase, NY. Dr. Hernandez's areas of research include the edTPA portfolio assessment, collaborative teaming, interdisciplinary intervention and the management of children's challenging behavior. His teaching interests include understanding emotional and behavioral disorders of children and youth as well as the assessment and diagnosis of young children with developmental delays and disabilities. Dr. Hernandez is a member of the Council for Exceptional Children, the National Association for the Education of the Young Child, The American Academy of Special Education Professionals, and The International Association of Special Education. Dr. Hernandez also serves on several state-wide boards representing children with and without disabilities including the New York State Council for Exceptional Children as well as the Nassau County Chapter for Association for the Education of Young Children.

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## **Industry Expertise**

Research, Education/Learning

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## **Areas of Expertise**

Collaboration, Special Education, Teacher Certification, Early Childhood Special Education

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## **Event Appearances**

### **Invited Presenter**

First annual conference on Autism Spectrum Disorders

**Presenter**

New York State Association for the Education of Young Children Annual Conference

**Presenter**

NYS Council for Exceptional Children Annual State Conference

**Invited Presenter**

Annual Conference on Autism at Hofstra University

**Presenter**

International Association of Special Education Biennial Conference

**Presenter**

NYS Council for Exceptional Children Annual State Conference

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**Education****Hofstra University**

EdD Educational Leadership and Policy Studies

**Fordham University**

Professional Diploma Educational Administration

**Long Island University**

MS Education, Guidance Counseling

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