

Rebecca Rook, Ph.D.

Curriculum Vitae

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Professional Experience

- Associate Professor, Education Department, Franciscan University of Steubenville, 2022-present
- Chair, Education Department, Franciscan University of Steubenville, 2024-present
- Interim Chair, Education Department, Franciscan University of Steubenville, 2022-2023
- Assistant Director of Accreditation, Education Department, Franciscan University of Steubenville, 2022-present
- Assistant Professor, Education Department, Franciscan University of Steubenville, 2017-2022
- Director of Education, Education Department, Franciscan University of Steubenville, 2021-2022
- Director of Assessment and Accreditation, Education Department, Franciscan University of Steubenville, 2020-2021
- Program Coordinator, Education Department, Franciscan University of Steubenville, 2017-2020
- Assistant Professor of Mathematics, Eastern Gateway Community College, Steubenville, OH, 2012-2017
- Adjunct Professor of Graduate Business, Mathematics, & Education, Franciscan University of Steubenville, 2006-2016
- Founder, Curricularist, Instructional Coordinator, Standardized Test Preparation and Mathematics Enrichment and Remediation Instructor, Advantage Academic Services, 2001-2015
- Mathematics Instructor, Catholic Central High School, 2001-2002

Education

- PhD, Instructional Management and Leadership, Robert Morris University, 4.0 GPA, 2019
- Master of Arts in Science and Math Education, Wheeling Jesuit University, 4.0 GPA, 2004
- Bachelor of Science in Mathematics, with Licensure in 7-12 grade Mathematics, Franciscan University of Steubenville, Summa Cum Laude, 4.0 GPA, 2001
- Valedictorian, Catholic Central High School, 4.67 GPA, 1997

Current Licensure

- Mathematics (7-12), 5-year professional license, Ohio, 2025-2030

Courses Taught

Graduate

Analytical Methods
Productions & Operations Management*

Undergraduate

Problem Solving & Assessment
Math Methods for PK-6th grade*
Teaching Strategies
Foundations of Education
Elements of Geometry
Applied Calculus
AYA Mathematics*
Curriculum Methods for Early Adolescents*
Finite Math
Intermediate Algebra* (Developmental)
Introductory Algebra (Developmental)
Bridge to Algebra (Developmental)

Secondary

Pre-Calculus
Advanced Senior Math
Pre-Algebra
General Math

*NOTE: Developed online or hybrid versions of these courses

Leadership

Chair/Interim Chair/Director of Education, 2021-2023; 2024-present. Responsibilities include:

- Scheduling and staffing undergraduate and graduate classes
- Onboarding/mentoring new adjunct faculty
- Recruiting students for the undergraduate and graduate programs
- Forming and growing relationships with school partners
- Overseeing advising of candidates
- Updating all program sheets
- Writing curriculum proposals
- Coordinating relevant coursework with content faculty in other departments
- Infusing Catholic identity into the curriculum
- Training student workers
- Meeting with prospective students/groups
- Organizing monthly department meetings
- Overseeing payroll and other departmental needs
- Manage department budget

- Overseeing Ohio Educator Preparation Program Compliance, reporting, and CAEP Accreditation
- Sponsoring New Programs

Director/Assistant Director of Assessment and Accreditation (formerly known as Program Coordinator), Franciscan University, 2017-2023. Responsibilities include:

- Ensuring that all CAEP, specialized professional association, InTASC, and state standards are integrated within our programs and align with the key assessments used for state and national accreditation.
- Training and mentoring all full-time faculty on the accreditation process so that each can take a more invested role in their program's ongoing assessment and improvement measures.
- Organizing and hosting biannual data analysis retreats to identify key assessment trends and make data-driven program enhancements.
- Digitizing all key program paperwork and assessments to ensure reliable tracking of candidate progression.
- Writing Annual State Metric and National CAEP Impact and Outcomes Reports
- Preparing and submitting all programs for state and national review.
- Developing a Quality Assurance System, which is accessible online by the public and other interested parties.

Chair of the Developmental Math Department, Eastern Gateway Community College, 2014-2017.

Responsibilities included:

- Development of developmental math curriculum, which utilized instructional technology to deliver mathematics to students in an individualized, mastery-based, self-paced fashion.
- Responsible for staffing and training all adjunct faculty in the Developmental Math Department.
- Developed a dual-credit developmental math program for the Jefferson County Joint Vocational School, OH, so that students could enter EGCC college-ready, without the need for mathematics remediation.

Professional Development

- CAEPCon (Bi-annual conference of the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation Programs), September 2025.
- Science of Reading Training Certificate of Completion, The Ohio Department of Education & Workforce, May 2025.
- Ohio Confederation of Teacher Education Organizations (OCTEO) Spring Conference, March 2023.
- 10th Annual Ohio Deans Compact Statewide Conference: *P20 Collaboration: Working Together to Improve Learning Outcomes for All Children and Youth*, January 2023.
- Duc In Altum Schools Collaborative, Fall 2021.
- Ohio Confederation of Teacher Education Organizations (OCTEO) Fall Conference, October 2020.
- CAEPCon (Bi-annual conference of the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation Programs), September 2019.
- Ohio Confederation of Teacher Educator Organizations (OCTEO) annual conference, October 2018.
- NCTM's training for CAEP accreditation report compilers (webinar), December 2018.
- Ohio Department of Education's edTPA focus groups to discuss the effectiveness and challenges of the edTPA assessment portfolio, Mount Union University, Ohio, 2017.

- “Ohio Association for Developmental Education” (OADE) annual conference, 2013-2016.
- Achieving the Dream’s National Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA, March 2016.
- Workshop on “Effective Strategies for Developmental Mathematics Curricular Redesign.” Cleveland State University, June 2015.
- “Ohio Math Summit” for Provosts, Chief Academic Officers, and Math Chairs to discuss and learn about topics related to Ohio Transfer Module (OTM) Mathematics, Statistics, and Logic prerequisites and effective quantitative pathways for STEM and non-STEM majors, 2013-2014.

Research and Scholarship

Rosado, W., Bernauer, J., Rook, R. L., Boury, T., Miller, M., Davenport, D., & Clacks, E. (Manuscript under review). Defining and developing standards of teaching excellence for new college faculty. *Journal of Educational Research and Practice*.

Reister, M., Rook, R., & Dulany, A. (2025). Building connections with first-year students through peer mentorships and teachable moments. *Journal on Excellence in College Teaching*, 36(4), 66-75.

Rook, R. (2025, September 10). The Sound of Silence. *Crisis Magazine*.

Rook, R. (2025). The Austrian Experience. *Franciscan Magazine* (Winter Issue).
<https://magazine.franciscan.edu/articles/in-brief-winter-2025/#navigatePage4>

Rook, R. & Reister, M. (2025). *Science of Reading ODHE Audit Report*. [Audit Report]. Department of Education, Franciscan University of Steubenville.

Rook, R. (2024). *Addendum to the CAEP Accreditation Self-Study Report*. [Accreditation addendum]. Department of Education, Franciscan University of Steubenville.

Roberts, A., Kilbane, C., & Rook, R. (2024). Preparing Catholic Educators for Flourishing in a Secularized Society: A Case Study. *Verbum Vitae*, 42(1), 229-253.

Rook, R., Reister, M., Sobek, E., Miller, M., & Boury, T. (2024). *CAEP Accreditation Self-Study Report*. [Accreditation self-study]. Department of Education, Franciscan University of Steubenville.

Rook, R., & Reister, M. (2022). Developing a Reliable and Valid ePortfolio Scoring Rubric for Gauging Preservice Teacher Growth in Key Educator Domains. *The Ohio Journal of Teacher Education*, (36)2, 60-85.

Rook, R. (2022, October 14). Suffering in the Domestic Church. *Crisis Magazine*.

Bernauer, J.A., Rook, R., Cope, K. Foster, S., & Swab, J. (2021). Learning Online: A Dialogue among Doctoral Graduates and Professor for Improving Learning and Teaching. *Journal on Excellence in College Teaching*, 32(3), 69-102.

Reister, M. & Rook, R. (2021). Perceptions of preparedness for online teaching due to the COVID-19 pandemic as a graduate of an education program at a university in the Midwest. *Journal of Digital Learning in Teacher Education*, DOI: [10.1080/21532974.2021.1908920](https://doi.org/10.1080/21532974.2021.1908920)

- Rook, R. (2020). The Current Status, Perceptions, and Impact of Honors Program Review. *Journal of the National Collegiate Honors Council*, 21(1), 67 – 102.
- Bernauer, J. A., Rook, R. L., Swab, J. A., Bernauer, M. P., & Bernauer, P. (2020). Teaching and Learning Qualitative Inquiry Online and Impacts on Family Life. *The Qualitative Report*, 25(4), 1060-1081. Retrieved from <https://nsuworks.nova.edu/tqr/vol25/iss4/12>
- Rook, R. (2019). *An evaluation of the assessment practices of undergraduate honors programs that belong to the National Collegiate Honors Council* (Doctoral dissertation). Robert Morris University, Moon Township, PA.
- Rook, R. (2017). *A comprehensive evaluation of Eastern Gateway Community College's education program* (Unpublished external evaluation). Eastern Gateway Community College, Steubenville, OH.
- Rook, R. (2016). *The impact of partnership and early intervention: A case study examining the outcomes of incorporating developmental math into the high school curriculum* (Manuscript submitted for publication). Pearson Inc.
- Rook, R. (2004). *Does preparation for and performance on the mathematics portion of the Ohio ninth-grade proficiency exam affect parochial school pre-algebra students' perception of their mathematical abilities, motivation to learn, class participation, and effort?* (Graduate research project). Wheeling Jesuit University.
- Rook, R. (2001). *The mathematics of piano tuning* (Senior thesis). Franciscan University.

Presentations

- Rook, R. L., Kilbane, C., & Roberts, A. (2026, April 23). *Preparing Catholic educators for flourishing in a secularized world* [Audio podcast episode]. Catechetical Institute at Franciscan University, Franciscan University of Steubenville.
- Rook, R. L., Brown, P., & Savage, D. (2026, March). *Practical living and the "how."* Panel presentation at the *Work, Family, and Faith: Toward an Integrated Life* Conference, Franciscan University of Steubenville, Steubenville, OH.
- Rook, R. L. (2025, December). *Come to the manger*. Franciscan University Faculty and Staff Advent Retreat, Franciscan University of Steubenville.
- Krivoniak, C. (Host). (2025, Oct. 4). Legend 67: Dr. Rebecca Rook, Ph.D. '01 [Audio podcast episode]. In *Legends from the Hill Alumni Podcast*.
- Rook, R. (2025, July 14). Preparing Catholic Educators for Flourishing in a Secularized Society. *Catholic Education Leadership Summit – St. John Bosco Conference*, Steubenville, OH.

- Salkeld, B. (Host). (2025, April 4). Episode 5: Dr. Rebecca Rook. [Audio podcast episode]. In *Making Every Class Catholic Podcast*. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E3Bd9sVJl2M&t=272s>
- Reister, M. & Rook, R. (2024, November). Education Day: Imagining being a college student through innovative field trips. *Council for Exceptional Children-Teacher Education Division National Conference*, Pittsburgh, PA.
- Reister, M., & Rook, R. (2024, September). Do I belong here? *Best Practices in Christian Higher Education Conference*, Abilene, TX.
- Reister, M., Rook, R., & Utz, B. (2024, April). Education Day: Imagining being a Franciscan student through field trips to campus. *Gallery of Research, Artistry, and Community Engagement (GRACE)*, Steubenville, OH.
- Kilbane, C., Rook, R. Roberts, A. (2024, April). Secularization & Catholic Education. *Franciscan University Education Department Professional Development*. Steubenville, OH.
- Reister, M., Rook, R., & Utz, B. (2023, November). *Education Day: Exploring campus to journey the world of postsecondary outcomes*. OCALICONLINE 2023, Columbus, OH.
- Rook, R. (2023, September). *The Fruits of the Franciscan Experience as a Student, Alumnus, Parent, and Faculty Member*. Franciscan University Rebuild My Church Capital Campaign Press Conference. Steubenville, OH.
- Rook, R. (2023, August). *The Journey of the Franciscan University Student as one of Pilgrimage*. Franciscan University Convocation. Steubenville, OH.
- Rook, R., Roberts, A., Boury, T., Reister, M., & Sobeck, E. *Interdisciplinary collaboration among Catholic Faculty* (2023, April). Gallery of Research, Artistry, and Community Engagement (GRACE), Steubenville, OH.
- Rook, R. (2023, March). *Generating excitement for programs that prepare students for a teaching career in Catholic schools and nourishing the Catholic teacher pipeline*. University Panel Discussion at the Interdiocesan Retreat for Washington, Baltimore, Maryland, Arlington, Richmond, Wilmington, and Charleston-Wheeling. Warrenton, VA.
- Rook, R., & Reister, M. (2023, January). *An Education Program High-Impact Practice: How one IHE embraced the ePortfolio: Partnerships to improve teaching and learning for students with diverse needs*. OCTEO - Ohio Confederation of Teacher Education Organizations State Conference, Columbus, OH.
- Dulany, A., Rook, R, Reister, M., & Utz, B. (2022, September). *Forming the Student Experience from Start to Finish: Education Day: Enabling potential students to see themselves at our institution of higher education*. Best Practices in Christian Higher Education Conference, Abilene, TX.
- Rook, R., Reister, M., & Utz, B. (2022, September). *Forming the Student Experience from Start to Finish: Embracing the ePortfolio as a high-impact practice in our Education Program*. Best Practices in Christian Higher Education Conference, Abilene, TX.

- Reister, M., Dulany, A., Rook, R., & Utz, B. (2022, September). *Teachable Moments: What can we learn from this Peer Mentor Program and professional development series for first-year student?* Best Practice in Christian Higher Education Conference, Abilene, TX.
- Federline, C, Dulany, A, Rook, R, Reister, M. (2022, April). *Teachable Moments Peer Mentor Program*. Gallery of Research, Artistry, and Community Engagement (*GRACE*), Steubenville, OH.
- Rook, R. & Roberts, A. (2022, February) *Catholic Schools Week: The importance of Catholic education and the challenges which it faces*. (Radio Interview). Ave Maria Radio Broadcast, Ypsilanti, MI.
- Rook, R. (2021, December). *Why I Give*. Franciscan University Capital Campaign Launch. Pittsburgh, PA.
- Rook, R. & Roberts, A. (2021, October). *Growing a Catholic School Culture Rooted in Collaboration*. Duc in Altum Schools Collaborative Annual Summit, Nashville, TN.
- Rook, R. & Reister, M. (2020, October). *Passionate for teaching in spite of a pandemic! Perceptions on preparedness from alumni of a teacher preparation program*. Ohio Confederation of Teacher Education Organizations (OCTEO) Annual Conference, Columbus, OH.
- Rook, R. (August, 2020). *Google Classroom 101*. Training workshop conducted for the faculty at Bishop Mussio Elementary and Junior High, Steubenville, OH.
- Rook, R. (August, 2020) *Best Practices for online STEM Instruction*. Training workshop conducted for the faculty at Bishop Mussio Elementary and Junior High, Steubenville, OH.
- Bernauer, J., Rook, R, Foster, S, Cope, K, & Swab, J. (2020, January). *Learning Online: A Dialogue Among Instructor and Students for Improving Learning and Instruction in a Cohort Doctoral Program*. 11th Annual Qualitative Report Conference at Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL.
- Rook, R. (2019, January). *Grit, Gratitude, and Grace: The Impact of a Great Witness*. Catholic Central High School National Honor Society Keynote Address, Steubenville, OH.
- Bernauer, J, Bernauer, M, Bernauer, P, Rook, R, & Swab, J. (2019, January). *Teaching and Learning Qualitative Inquiry and Impacts on Family Life*. 10th Annual TQR Conference at Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL.
- Rook, R. (2019, March). *Culturally Responsive Teaching*. Teachable Moments Workshops at Franciscan University. Steubenville, OH.
- Rook, R. (2019, January). *Keys to edTPA Success*. Teachable Moments Workshops at Franciscan University. Steubenville, OH.
- Rook, R (2018, February). *Catholic Identity in the Classroom*. Teachable Moments Workshops at Franciscan University. Steubenville, OH.

Rook, R. (2016, January). *Conducting a Program Self-Study*. Presentation to Faculty at Eastern Gateway Community College. Steubenville, OH.

Rook, R. (2015, August). *Effectively Facilitating Learning in a Flipped Classroom*. Developmental Mathematics Department Presentation at Eastern Gateway Community College. Steubenville, OH.

Rook, R. (2013, August). *Instructing Students in a Self-Paced, Mastery-based Mathematics Class using MyLabsPlus*. Developmental Mathematics Faculty Presentation. Steubenville, OH.

Grants

Rook, R. (2022). *Technology Grant through the School of Professional Programs*. Franciscan University of Steubenville. Grant for the purchase of a Smartboard.

Reister, M., Dulany, A., & Rook, R. (2021). *Teachable Moments Peer Mentor Program and its Impact on Postsecondary Outcomes for All Learners: A Collaboration between High School Students, College Students/Pre-service Educators, and In-service Educators to Build Capacity*. Ohio Deans Compact on Exceptional Children New Incentive Partnership Grant to Improve the Capacity of Ohio's P20 Education Systems to Advance Postsecondary Outcomes for All Learners. Priority Area 2: Designing Comprehensive PK-12 Models that Advance Secondary Graduation and Postsecondary Transition.

Peer Reviewer

- The American Journal of Distance Education, 2023-present
- Religions, 2025

Honors and Awards

- Frank Murray Leadership Recognition from the National Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation awarded to Franciscan University's Education Department: National award given to educator preparation programs that provided evidence and data to achieve accreditation with no stipulations or areas for improvement, 2025.
- Excellence in Service Award, Franciscan University, 2021
- Half Tuition Graduate Student Grant, Wheeling Jesuit University, 2001-2004
- Department of Mathematics' Award Recipient and Suma Cum Laude Graduate, 4.0 GPA, Franciscan University, 2001
- Full Academic Scholarship, Franciscan University, 1999
- Full Academic Scholarship (Chancellor's Award), Duquesne University, 1997. Attended Duquesne from 1997-1999 and completed the Honor's Core Curriculum Program with a 4.0 GPA, before transferring to Franciscan University
- Valedictorian, Catholic Central High School, 4.67 GPA, 1997

Committee Memberships

- Spiritual Leadership Committee, Franciscan University of Steubenville, 2025 - present
- Academic Standards, Franciscan University of Steubenville, 2024-present
- Franciscan Magazine, Faculty Representative, Franciscan University of Steubenville, 2022-present
- Alumni Board, Franciscan University of Steubenville. Chair of the Alumni Awards Committee, 2011-2017 and March 2020 – present
- Rebuild My Church Campaign Team, Franciscan University of Steubenville, 2021-2024
- Faculty Standards, Franciscan University of Steubenville, 2022-2023
- Hiring Committee for Assistant Professor of Education, Franciscan University, 2023
- Hiring Committee for Vice President of Student Life, Franciscan University, 2021-2022
- Jubilee Task Force – Academic Subcommittee Chair, Franciscan University of Steubenville, 2021-2022
- Assessment and Accreditation Committee, Franciscan University, 2020-2021
- Academic Awards Committee, Franciscan University, 2018-2021
- Strategic Planning Taskforce, Academic Committee, Steubenville Catholic Schools, 2018-present
- New Faculty Committee, Franciscan University, 2017-2018
- Martin Luther King Legacy Committee (to support student scholarships), Eastern Gateway Community College, 2016-2018
- Program Review Chair, Eastern Gateway Community College, 2016-2017
- Curriculum Committee, Eastern Gateway Community College, 2012-2017
- Achieving the Dream Leader College Action Committee, Eastern Gateway Community College, 2013-2017

Technological Skills

- Very skilled in the use of MyEducationLab and MyMathLab, Pearson’s computer-aided instructional tool
- Proficient in the use of ConnectPlus, McGraw Hill’s computer aided instructional tool
- Adept at setting up online courses in Canvas, Blackboard, and Google Classroom
- Proficient in the use of Geometer’s Sketchpad & Desmos
- Skilled in the use of Microsoft Excel for Operations Research and Quantitative Management Applications

Professional Organizations

- Ohio Confederation of Teacher Education Organizations (OCTEO)
- National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM)
- Phi Delta Kappa (PDK), a professional education fraternity
- National Education Association (NEA)

Community Involvement and Service

- Young Life – Steubenville Catholic Central Chapter, Local Committee Member, 2025
- Community Tutoring Program, Franciscan University of Steubenville, 2022-2023, 2024 - present
- Rebuild My Church Capital Campaign Committee, Franciscan University, 2022-2025
- Strategic Planning Taskforce, Academic Committee, Steubenville Catholic Schools, 2018-present
- Hiring Committee for Associate Director of Specialized Accreditation, Franciscan University, 2024
- Hiring Committee for Assistant Professor of Education, Franciscan University, 2022-2023
- Strategic Enrollment Process (SEP) Team, Franciscan University, 2022
- Science Fair Judge, Bishop John King Mussio Junior High, 2021-2024
- Hiring Committee for Vice President of Student Life, Franciscan University, 2021-2022
- Music Minister, Holy Family Parish, Steubenville, Ohio, 2009-2021
- Trained and Assisted Faculty at Bishop Mussio Elementary and Bishop Mussio Junior High School to effectively transition to using Google Classroom in the wake of COVID-19 Pandemic, August-September, 2020
- National Honor Society Keynote Speaker, Catholic Central High School, January 2019
- Martin Luther King Jr. Legacy Committee, Steubenville, OH. This committee hosts events throughout the Ohio Valley to raise scholarship funds for underprivileged youth, and I co-chair of the annual ecumenical prayer breakfast held at Franciscan, 2016-2018
- Beloved Conference and Women’s Ministry, Franciscan University; committee chair for analyzing attendee satisfaction, 2017-2018
- Race director, Crusader 5k and Children’s Little Saints’ Sprint, a fundraiser to benefit the Catholic Schools of Steubenville, OH, 2015-2017
- Bible School Team Leader, Holy Family Church, Steubenville, OH, 2010-2015
- Fundraiser for Dirty Vagabond Ministries, a Catholic youth outreach program for inner city teens, Steubenville, OH 2012-2014
- Core team member, Steubenville Lifeteen, 1999-2004
- Speaker and Music Minister, Franciscan University of Steubenville Youth Conferences, 1997-2002. Talk titles available upon request