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## Evaluating to Improve: Using Research Evidence to Support Leadership Development in Clemson's EdD Program (cont.)

Rachel L. Biritz is a Graduate Fellow in the PhD in Educational Leadership – P-12 program in EOLD and Graduate Assistant supervised by Dr. Noelle A. Paufler. Rachel also acts as a University Supervisor and is co-creator/co-facilitator of the Tiger PAWS Seminar Series for teacher education students with Paula Adams and Dr. Leigh Martin. Rachel's dissertation is tentatively titled "South Carolina P-12 Public Education Policy: Implications of (Un)changing Systems." Her research interests include education policy, law, and reform; history of education; SC public education; program evaluation; improvement science; mentoring; EdD programs; and Asian American and Filipina American students. Rachel was a K-6 teacher in San Diego County and 5th grade teacher in Greenville County Schools.

Rachel works under the supervision of Dr. Paufler on an ADR grant focused on educational leadership doctoral program evaluation. In this presentation she will discuss her role, including primary responsibility for data collection to protect the voices of EdD program students and faculty. Rachel is Communications Chair and Dialogic Forum Chair for the AERA Division A Graduate Student Committee, William L. Boyd National Educational Politics Workshop Emerging Scholar, and member of the CoE Graduate Student Advisory Board.

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