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EDUCATION

1974 B.A. (Honours) University of Manitoba

1975 Ed. M., Graduate School of Education, Harvard University.

1982 Ph.D., Department of Educational Administration, Ontario Institute for Studies in Education, (Department of Educational Theory, University of Toronto).

EMPLOYMENT

April, 2007- Professor, Theory and Policy Studies, and Canada Research Chair
In Educational Leadership and Policy
Ontario Institute for Studies in Education

Dec 2008 – June 2009 Seconded on interim basis as Deputy Minister of Education, Province
of Ontario.

December, 2004 – March, 2007 Deputy Minister of Education
Province of Ontario

Responsible for managing policy and programs related to public school education for the Province,
including managing a staff of 1800 and a budget of \$18 billion.

September, 2002 – December, 2004 Professor
Faculty of Education
The University of Manitoba

Responsible for teaching, service and research.

Nov., 1999 – Sept. 2002 Deputy Minister
Department of Education, Training and Youth
Department of Advanced Education
Province of Manitoba

Responsible for all aspects of education and training in Manitoba, including schools, post-secondary
education, adult education, literacy and training. Manage a combined Department with about 1000
staff and a budget (2001-02) of \$1.5 billion.

Sept. 1996 – Nov., 1999 Dean of Continuing Education, The University of Manitoba

Responsible for the operation of the Continuing Education Division, including summer session, general studies, distance education, language programs, certificate programs, Access programs, aboriginal programs, continuing education in the professions and other continuing education activities. Manage a unit with 100 staff and a budget of about \$12million annually.

Aug., 1989 - Faculty Member
Aug., 1996 Department of Educational Administration and Foundations
University of Manitoba

Responsible for teaching undergraduate and graduate courses in educational administration, as well as for research and community services work.
Promoted to Associate Professor, 1992. Promoted to Professor, 1996. Tenured, 1993.

March, 1983 - Senior Officer
July, 1989 Manitoba Department of Education

Responsible for senior management functions as Executive Director, Universities Grants Commission, (1987-89); Assistant Deputy Minister, Post-Secondary Adult and Continuing Education (1985-86); Director of Planning and Research (1983-85)

Awards

CEA Whitworth Award for contributions to education research 2003
Lieutenant Governors' Medal for Service to Public Administration, Manitoba, 2004
Canada Research Chair, 2005
Outstanding educator of the year, Phi Delta Kappan Toronto chapter, 2010

Current and Recent Projects (Related publications are in the publication list that follows.)

2003-2008 Co-investigator (with Jane Gaskell, University of Toronto), on research grant from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council: Urban Poverty and Canadian Schools: Towards a Framework for Action. \$150,000

2007 Deutsches Institut fur Pedagogisches Forschung (German Institute for Education Research). Conference presentation and preparation of a paper on research-policy linkages.

2007 Deutsches Institut fur Pedagogisches Forschung (German Institute for Education Research). Conference presentation and preparation of a paper on research-policy linkages.

2007 (with D Giroux, M Caron, A Olmstead). Swiss conference of cantonal directors of public education. Analysis and report on first Swiss report on education indicators.

2007 New Zealand Ministry of Education. Evaluation of best-evidence synthesis on education leadership.

2007 Canadian Language and Literacy Research network. Analysis of large-scale literacy policy initiatives and issues.

2007-11 Canada Research Chair and University of Toronto annual support for research on knowledge mobilization in education, \$100,000

2007-08 Research on knowledge mobilization, Connaught Grant, University of Toronto. \$10,000.

2007-10 (M Fullan, principal investigator) Support to Netherlands Ministry of Education on implementation of a national school improvement strategy.

2007 Background paper on future strategy for Ontario Ministry of Education

2007 Paper on reforming secondary education for Queensland University of Technology.

2007-08 Background paper for Canadian Council on Learning/SSHRC joint seminar on knowledge mobilization.

2007-08 Quality assurance for Best Evidence Synthesis on leadership and student achievement, New Zealand Ministry of Education

2008-09 (with C Sa) Canadian Education Association. Study of knowledge mobilization and knowledge acquisition processes related to secondary education.

2008-10 (with M Fullan, K Leithwood). Support for leadership capacity-building initiative, College of Alberta School Superintendents.

2008 Analysis and recommendations on the status and future of the Pedagogical Institute, Greek Ministry of Education

2008 Consultation with Victoria (Australia) Department of Education and Childhood Development on the new Education Blueprint.

2008-09 Commissioner for review of tuition fees and accessibility in post-secondary education, Province of Manitoba

2008-11 (with Creso Sa) Grant from Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council on

knowledge mobilization in faculties of education in Canada and internationally.

2009- OECD-Mexico project on improving quality of education.

2009-10 Contract with Canadian Education Association to produce reviews of research for parents via school newsletters. \$25,000

2010-11 Contract with Elementary Teachers Federation of Ontario to produce reviews of research for elementary classroom teachers, \$18,000

2010 Contract with OECD to organize visit of senior Mexican education officials to Ontario, \$20,000

2010 Advice to New Zealand Ministry of Education on education strategy issues.

Academic Service

National

Member of Canada Research Chair Program College of Reviewers, 2004-; Mentor, New Investigators Network (University of New Brunswick) 2007-08.

International

Various activities and roles on behalf of OECD, European Commission, ministries of education in several countries, Open Society Institute, Aspen Institute (US), Politics of Education Association (US), American Educational Research Association, Asia Foundation (US), Council of Chief State School Officers (US), and UK National College for Leadership of Schools and Children's Services.

Visiting professor at Hebrew University Jerusalem, Cambridge University, University of Manchester, University of Melbourne; University of Hong Kong; University of Nottingham, University of Auckland.

Reviewer Responsibilities

Editorial board member of eleven journals published in Canada, the US, the UK, Australia and Turkey. Reviewed manuscripts, journals, research proposals and book proposals for thirty journals and organizations in Canada and at least 8 other countries. I have been an external thesis examiner at 9 universities in 4 countries and have reviewed tenure or promotion applications at more than a dozen universities in 6 countries.

Recent Outreach Activities (last 2 years)

2008-09

Member, Governing Council, National College for School Leadership, England
Advisor to The Learning Partnership on evaluation of Welcome to Kindergarten program
Advisor to The Learning Partnership on evaluation of Supervisory Officer development program
Advisor to The Learning Partnership on national initiative to promote resilience in youth
Member, “The Future of School Reform” working group, Harvard University and Pew Charitable Trust
Member, Ontario Education Research panel (to Dec, 2008)
Member, Steering Committee, ‘Global Education Leadership Challenge’ Program, Cisco, Hay Group and McKinsey and Co.
Video presentation to the launch of Australian National Literacy Strategy, Canberra, August 28
Interview in Toronto Star, Sept 27, 2008
Cited in Toronto Star education story, Oct 6, 2008
Guest speaker, initial teacher education class, OISE, Oct 2, 2008
Presentation on knowledge mobilization to Board of Directors, Canadian Education Association, Oct 27, 2008
Workshop on research and practice, WDYDIST Project, Canadian Education Association, Toronto, Oct 28, 2008
Panel on research and policy, University Council on Educational Administration conference, Orland, Florida, Nov 1, 2008
Commissioner, Manitoba Government Commission on Tuition Fees and Accessibility to Post-Secondary Education, Summer, 2008-Spring 2009.
Canada Research Chair Renewal Review, Dr K Gallagher, OISE, fall, 2008
Presentation, “How to change 5000 schools”, University of Manchester, England, Nov 6
Panel presentation, National Seminar on Resilience, The Learning Partnership, Winnipeg, Nov 17-19.
International Education Leaders’ Dialogue, Melbourne, Australia, Nov 30-Dec 2
Seminar presentation, Council of Australian Governments, Accountability in education, Melbourne, Australia, Dec 4, 2008
Panel presentation, large scale change, Summit on The Future of Education in Australia, Melbourne, Dec 5, 2008
Workshop on large-scale change in education, Australia-New Zealand School of Government, Sydney, Australia, Dec 8-9.
Workshop on large scale change, New Zealand Ministry of Education, Wellington, NZ, Dec 10, 2008
Presentation on ‘Reform without rancour’, Victoria University of Wellington, Wellington, NZ, Dec 11, 2008.
Workshop on effective policy for student outcomes, Alberta Department of Education Edmonton, March 5-6.
Mentor for new faculty, W L Boyd Mentoring Seminar, University Council for Educational Administration, San Diego, April 13
Workshop on managing distractions, Canadian Association of Principals, Winnipeg, May 14.
Paper (with A Cooper) on mobilizing knowledge for research and practice, American Educational Research Association, San Diego, April 15
Paper, “How to change 5000 schools”, American Educational Research Association, San Diego,

April 15.

Organizer and presenter, session on mobilizing research knowledge, American Educational Research Association, San Diego, April 15

Workshop on leadership development, Alberta College of School Superintendents, Edmonton, April 22.

Invited participant in Van Leer Institute conference on education policy and implementation, Jerusalem, Israel, May 18-21.

Advice on public mobilization for large scale change, Yad Hanadiv Foundation, Jerusalem, May

Three workshops/ presentations, College of Alberta School Superintendents, Banff, June 4-5

International research symposium, National College for School Leadership, Nottingham, England, June 15-17

Presentation to staff, Teach First, London, England, July 16

Member, OECD panel on education policy, OECD-Mexico education improvement project.

2009-10

Member, Governing Council, National College for School Leadership, England

Member, “The Future of School Reform” working group, Harvard University and Pew Charitable Trust

Created and launched “Research for parents” as partnership with Canadian Education Association; 5 parent newsletters on research produced and distributed.

Member and co-chair, Ontario Education Research panel

Member, Steering Committee, ‘Global Education Leadership Challenge’ Program, Cisco, Hay Group and McKinsey and Co.

Invited keynote presentation to Ottawa French Catholic District School Board, Aug, 19, Ottawa

Invited keynote presentation on research, policy and practice, British Education Research Association, Manchester, England, Sept 3.

Invited participant, “The Future of School Reform” seminar, Cambridge, Mass, Sept 19-20

Invited presentation to ‘Getting to Uptake: leveraging Social Innovation for Professional Practice Change” conference, Toronto, Sept. 23

Keynote presentation, Australian Council for Education Leadership, Darwin, Australia, Sept 26

Featured researcher, University of Toronto website, September

Invited presentation, “Leading Student Achievement” seminar, Toronto, Oct 16.

Dinner presentation, OISE Alumni Group, Toronto, Oct. 19.

Presentation, mobilizing knowledge, University of Ottawa regional research seminar, Ottawa, Oct. 22

Invited testimony on accessibility to post-secondary education, Senate of Canada, Committee on Science, Technology and Social Affairs, Ottawa, Nov. 5

Interview on accessibility to post-secondary education, Epoch Times, Nov. 11 at www.theepochtimes.com/n2/content/view/25096/

Panel member, Jackson Lecture event, Toronto, Nov 18

Invited public lecture, “What schools can do about poverty”, Seven Oaks School Division, Winnipeg, Nov 23.

Seminar on improving teaching and learning practices, Seven Oaks School Division, Winnipeg,

Nov. 24

Seminar on leadership development and improving instruction, College of Alberta School Superintendents, Calgary, Dec. 1.

Panel participant, discussion on federalism in education, Australia-New Zealand School of Government, Melbourne, Australia, Feb 3 (via video conference)

Discussions with Alberta school districts on leadership development (via video conference), January and March

Expert and session chair, OECD meeting on 'Overcoming failure in education', Paris, Feb 9-10

Keynote presentation, seminar on using data effectively, Association of Education Researchers of Ontario and Ontario Ministry of Education, Feb. 17

Keynote presentation on student success, Toronto Catholic School District, Feb 19

Keynote presentation on leadership development, College of Alberta School Superintendents, Calgary, Feb 21

Seminar with Edmonton Public School Board leaders, Edmonton, Feb. 22

Invited seminar on large scale change, New Zealand Ministry of Education, Wellington, New Zealand, March 16

Consultation with Minister of Education and senior leaders, New Zealand Ministry of Education, Wellington March 15-16

Invited seminar, Faculty of Education, Auckland University, Auckland, New Zealand, March 17

Consultation with research program leaders, University of Auckland, New Zealand, March 19, 22, 23, 24

Invited seminar, Centre for Educational Leadership, University of Auckland, New Zealand, March 19

RECENT PUBLICATIONS AND INVITED ADDRESSES

Books

1997 Levin, B. and Riffel, J.. Schools and the Changing World: Struggling Toward the Future. London: Falmer Press.

2001 International Education Reform: From Origins to Outcomes. London: Falmer/Routledge. Chinese translation published in 2004.

2005 Governing Education. University of Toronto Press.

2007 Young, J. Wallin, D. and Levin, B. Understanding Canadian Schools: An Introduction to Educational Administration. Toronto: Nelson Thompson. 4th edition.

2008 How to Change 5000 Schools. Harvard Education Press.

In press (with Jane Gaskell) Making a Difference in Urban Schools. University of Toronto Press

(publication 2010).

Chapters in books – last three years

2007 “Inevitable tensions in managing large-scale public service reform”. In M Wallace, M Fertig and E Schneller (Eds.) *Managing Change in the Public Services*. Oxford: Blackwell. 136-150.

2007 Levin, B. and Pekrulum S. “Building student voice for school improvement”. In A Cook-Sather and D Thiessen (Eds.). *International Handbook of Student Experience*. Springer. 711-726

2007 Ungerleider, C. & Levin, B. “Accountability, funding and school improvement in Canada” In T. Townsend, ed., *International Handbook of School Effectiveness and Improvement*. NL: Springer. 411-424.

2007 Levin, B., & Naylor, N. “Using resources effectively in education” in J Burger, P. Klinck, and C. Webber (eds.). *Intelligent leadership*. Dordrecht, NL: Springer. 143-158.

2007. Curriculum policy and the politics of what should be learned in schools. In M Connelly, M He and J Phillion (eds). *Handbook of Curriculum and Instruction*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage. 7-24.

2008 “These may be good times: An argument that things are getting better”. In C. Sugrue (Ed.). *The Future of Educational Change: International Perspectives*. 34-37. RoutledgeFalmer.

2008 “Knowledge for action in education research and policy: What we know, what we don’t know and what we need to do”. In *Wissen fur Handeln – Forschungsstrategien fur Eine Evidenzbasierte Bildungspolitik*. 35-44. Bonn/Berlin: Bundesministerium for forschung, 2008.

2008 Leithwood, K. & Levin., B. Understanding and assessing the impact of leadership development. In J Lumby, G Crow and P Pashiardis (eds). *International Handbook on Leadership Preparation*. 280-300. Hillsdale, NJ: Erlbaum.

2008 “Reform without (much) rancor”. In M Fullan and A Hargreaves (eds). *Change Wars*. 259-272. Bloomington, IN: Solution Tree.

2009 “The politics of diversity”. In J Lupart (ed), *Diversity in Canadian Education*, 105-127. Toronto: Fitzhenry & Whiteside

2009. How governments decide: The role of research. In Desjardins, R., & Rubenson, K. (eds).

Research of vs research for education policy in an era of transnational policy-making. 44-57. Saarbrücken: VDM Dr. Müller.

2010 Gaskell J. & Levin, B. The challenges of poverty and urban education in Canada: Lessons from two school boards. In Raffo, J. et al. (Eds.). Education and poverty in affluent countries. 148-160. London: Routledge.

In press. Curriculum governance and planning. In B McGaw, E Baker and P Peterson (eds). International Encyclopedia of Education. Elsevier.

In press. How to change 5000 schools. In M Fullan (ed). International handbook of educational Change. Dordrecht: Springer.

In press. Improving secondary schools. In A Luke, A Wood and K Weir, Unpacking the Curriculum. London: Routledge.

In press. Janosz, M., Pagani, L. and Levin, B.. School dropouts in Canadas. In S.Lamb, E. Markussen, J. Polesel & N. Sandberg (eds.). International studies of school completion and dropout: Research, theory and policy.

In press Building capacity for sustained school improvement. In A. Lieberman and L. Darling-Hammond (Eds). International teacher education: Practices & policies in high achieving nations. New York: Routledge.

In press (with L Pedwell, MJ Gallagher, M Connor, H Beck and B Pervin). Improving leadership in 5000 schools. In J MacBeath and T Townsend (Eds) Handbook for Leadership on Learning. Springer.

Articles in refereed journals – last 4 years

2006 “Schools in challenging circumstances: A reflection on what we know and what we need to know”. School Effectiveness and School Improvement 17(4), 399-407.

2006 “How can research in education contribute to policy? Review of Australian Research in Education 6, 147-157.

2006 Roos, N., Brownell, M., Guevremont, A., Fransoo, R., Levin, B., MacWilliam L., and Roos, L. "The true story: a population-based perspective on school performance and educational testing." Canadian Journal of Education 29(3), 684-705

2007 Levin, B., Gaskell, J. and Pollock, K. What shapes inner-city education policy?" Canadian Journal of Educational Administration and Policy. Issue 61, June 4, 2007. Available at

www.umanitoba.ca/publications/cjeap.

2007 “Response to ‘Toward a rethinking of mass public education’”. Encounters on Education, 8, 221-223.

2008 “Sustainable, large scale education renewal”. Journal of Educational Change 8(4), 323-336.

2008 Levin, B. and Fullan, M. “Learning about system renewal” Journal of Educational Management, Administration and Leadership 36(2), 289-303.

2008 Fransoo, R., Roos, N., Martens, P., Heamens, M., Chateau, D. and Levin B. “How health status affects progress and performance in school: A population-based study” Canadian Journal of Public Health, 99(4), 344-349.

2008 Does politics help or hinder education change? Journal of Educational Change, 10(1) 69-70.

2009 Campbell, C. and Levin, B. Using data to support educational improvement. Educational Assessment, Evaluation and Accountability. 21(1), 47-65.

2009. “Enduring issues in urban education” Journal of Comparative Policy Analysis 11(2), 181-195

2009 Cooper, A., Levin, B. and Campbell, C.. The growing (but still limited) importance of evidence in education policy and practice. Journal of Educational Change. 10(2), 159-171.

2010 (with 15 other authors) “ A framework for mandatory impact evaluation to ensure well informed public policy decisions”. The Lancet, 375, January 30, 427-431.

In press (with A Cooper) “Some Canadian contributions to understanding knowledge mobilization”. Evidence and Policy.

In press “The challenge of large-scale literacy improvement”. School Effectiveness and School Improvement.

In press “Evidence in education” LEARNing Landscapes (online journal).

Invited addresses (last 2 years)

2008 “Sustainable, system-wide change in education”. Invited keynote to the International Congress on School Effectiveness, Auckland, New Zealand, Jan 9

2008 “Schools and the changing world”. Keynote presentation to the Conference on the Future of Schooling in Newfoundland and Labrador, St. John’s, Newfoundland, May 9.

2008 “Evidence for decision-making in education”. Keynote presentation to the meeting of the Campbell Collaboration, Vancouver, May 12.

2008 “Governments, research and the development of children”. Keynote presentation to the World Education Forum, Adelaide, Australia, June 26.

2008 “Raising the bar and closing the gap”. Public presentation on behalf of the Queensland Studies Authority, Brisbane, July 2.

2008 “Improving literacy and numeracy on a system-wide scale”. Presentation to the conference of the Australian Association of Teachers of English and the Australian Literacy Educators’ Association, Adelaide, July 9.

2008 “Requirements for large-scale change in education” Presentation to Government of Victoria Cabinet Committee on Social Policy, Melbourne, Australia, July 14.

2008 “Requirements for large-scale change in education”. Presentation to seminar on large-scale change in education, Australia-New Zealand School of Government, Melbourne, July 15.

2008 “Using resources effectively in education”. Keynote presentation to the 2nd International Conference on Educational Economics, Athens, August 27.

2008 (with Ken Leithwood) “Requirements for large-scale improvement in education”. Keynote presentation, Alberta Department of Education research seminar, Edmonton, Sept 5.

2008 “Using evidence to support policy”. Presentation to Netherlands Ministry of Education, Hilversoom, Sept 26,

2008 “Reform without rancor”. Presentation at Solution Tree Education Summit, Markham, Ontario, Oct 7.

2008 “How research matters to policy”. Keynote presentation at Seminar on Research Impact, Canada Millennium Scholarship Foundation, Montreal, Oct. 23.

2009 “Good outcomes for youth in care”. Keynote presentation, Ontario Association of Children’s Aid Societies, Toronto, March 9.

2009 “Improving and entire education system. Presentation to the Alberta Department of Education Research Symposium, Edmonton, March 5.

2009 “Leadership development”. Presentation to College of Alberta School Superintendents, ‘Moving and Improving’ conference, Edmonton, April 22.

2009 “Improving teaching and learning” Keynote presentation to the Canadian Association of Principals, Winnipeg, May 13.

2009 “Managing distractions”. Presentation to the Canadian Association of Principals, Winnipeg, May 14.

2009 “How research matters to policy in education.” Presentation to the Van Leer Institute International Conference on Education Policy and Implementation, Jerusalem, Israel, May 20.

2009 “Knowledge mobilization, research, policy and practice.” Keynote address, British Education Research Association, Manchester, Sept 3.

2009 “Research, policy and practice in education”. Invited presentation to ‘Getting to Uptake: leveraging Social Innovation for Professional Practice Change’ conference, Toronto, Sept. 23

2009 “Sustainable, large scale change in education”. Keynote presentation, Australian Council for Education Leadership, Darwin, Australia, Sept 26

2009 Invited testimony on accessibility to post-secondary education, Senate of Canada, Committee on Science, Technology and Social Affairs, Ottawa, Nov. 5

2009 “Improving high school graduation rates”, Keynote presentation, Student Success Leaders conference, Ministry of Education, Toronto, Oct 16.

2009 “Mobilizing research knowledge”. Keynote for University of Ottawa regional research seminar, Ottawa, Oct. 22

2009 “What schools can do about poverty”, Public lecture, Seven Oaks School Division, Winnipeg, Nov 23.

2010 (with A Yashkina) “Collaborative research”, Keynote presentation, seminar on using data effectively, Association of Education Researchers of Ontario and Ontario Ministry of Education, Feb. 17

2010 “Improving high school graduation rates”, Keynote presentation on student success, Toronto Catholic School District, Feb 19

2010 “System improvement in New Zealand education”, Invited seminar, New Zealand Ministry of Education, Wellington, New Zealand, March 16

2010 “Research, policy and practice”, Invited seminar, Faculty of Education, Auckland University, Auckland, New Zealand, March 17

2010 “How to improve 2700 schools”, Invited seminar, Centre for Educational Leadership, University of Auckland, New Zealand, March 19

Other publications – last three years

2007 (with Avis Glaze). “Large-scale sustainable improvement proves possible in Ontario”. Reading Today. Feb/Mar. 19.

2007 (with Avis Glaze, Michael Fullan). “Sustaining educational change in Ontario”. Changing Perspectives (Journal of the Ontario ASCD) 6-10.

2007 (with John MacBeath and KC Wong). Context as opportunity. National College for School Leadership, England (part of a collection entitled Positive Leadership).

2007 “In Canada – Schools, poverty and the achievement gap”. Phi Delta Kappan, 89(1).

2007 “Keep up momentum on education”. Toronto Star, July 19, p AA6.

2007 “Does curriculum matter?” EQ Australia, Spring, 2007, 15-16.

2007 “Making good secondary education even better”. Embassy- Canada’s Foreign Policy newswweekly. Sept 26, 2007, Issue 173, 19.

2007 “In Canada – The failure of failure”. Phi Delta Kappan, 89(3) 234-235

2008 “In Canada – How much diversity in our schools? Phi Delta Kappan 89(5) 394-395

2008 “An approach to secondary school improvement” In A. Luke, K. Weir, A. Woods & M. Moroney, Eds., *Development of Principles to Guide a P-12 Syllabus Framework* (pp. 114-127). Brisbane: Queensland Studies Authority.

2008 “In Canada – Fixing urban school boards” Phi Delta Kappan 89(7) 534-535.

2008 “Do educators need targets to hit the mark?”. Changing Perspectives (Journal of the Ontario ASCD), 28-29.

2008 “Student failure: Another side of the story” OSSTF Forum 34(1), 33-37.

2008 (with J Gaskell) “What schools can do”. ETFO Voice 10(5), 24-25.

2008 “In Canada – Fix the flawed funding formula! Phi Delta Kappan 89(9) 697-698.

- 2008 “In Canada – Fix the flawed funding formula! Phi Delta Kappan 89(9) 697-698.
- 2008 “In Canada – What can we expect from politics? Phi Delta Kappan 90(1) 69-70.
- 2008 “In Canada – Attracting and retaining good teachers. Phi Delta Kappan 90(3) 223-224.
- 2008 “System-wide improvement in literacy: An international review”. Paper for the Canadian Language and Literacy Research Network as part of the National Literacy Strategy. Available at Cllrnet.ca.
- 2008 (with Avis Glaze, Michael Fullan). Results without rancor or rankings: Ontario’s success story.. Phi Delta Kappan, 90(4), 273-280.
- 2008 “Academics as activists. UCEA Review
- 2008 “Education change and its implications for teachers”. QTU (Queensland Teachers Union) November, 5-7.
- 2009 “Professionalism, partnerships, and positive public discourse”. Harvard Education Letter, January/February, 8,6,7.
- 2009 “In Canada – 20 minutes to change a life? Phi Delta Kappan 90(5) 384-385.
- 2009 “In Canada – Build a relationship between research and practice Phi Delta Kappan 90(7) 528-529.
- 2009 Commission on tuition fees and accessibility to post-secondary education in Manitoba. Report to the Minister of Advanced Education and Literacy. Winnipeg. Available at www.postsecondarycommission.mb.ca.
- 2009 Mobilizing knowledge to support better learning. In Better evidence for a better world. International Impact Evaluation Working paper #2, The Campbell Collaboration, www.3ieimpact.org.
- 2009 (with M. Fullan) The fundamentals of whole system reform. Education Week. June 17,.
- 2009 “In Canada – Aboriginal education: Much more to do. Phi Delta Kappan 90(9).
- 2009 “20 Minutes to change a life? Education Canada, 49(3), Summer, 16-17.
- 2009 “In Canada – Public confidence in public education”. Phi Delta Kappan 91(1), 93-94 (available at www.pdkintl.org).

2009 “In Canada – Full day preschool comes to Ontario”. Phi Delta Kappan 91(3), 90-91 (available at www.pdkintl.org).

2009 (with K Leithwood and M Fullan). “The role of critical friends”. The CASS (college of Alberta School Superintendents) Connection, Fall, 40-41.

2009 Knowledge broker stories: Lasting Interpersonal Relationships. Blog. <http://www.knowledgemobilization.net> [<http://bit.ly/5Uy46s>], Dec 5.

2009 “Teacher education is not that important”. Blog on Education Policy Institute, Dec. 4, http://www.educationalpolicy.org/publications/etw/etw_canada_default.html

2010 “Global voices, In Canada: What did you do in school today?”, Phi Delta Kappan, Vol. 91, No. 5, February 2010, pp. 89-90 (available at www.pdkintl.org).

2010 “Let’s stop blaming teacher unions”. Blog on Education Policy Institute, March 12, http://www.educationalpolicy.org/publications/etw/etw_canada_default.html

In press (with H Edelstein). “Research, policy and practice in education”. Education Canada.

In press “Global voice, In Canada – Education improvements in Alberta”. Phi Delta Kappan

Other forms of research communication

Home page website with research materials and publications – home.oise.utoront.ca/~blevin

Research website with materials and discussion lists – www.oise.utoronto.ca/rspe

Various video and audio clips on a range of other sites in Canada, the U S, Australia, New Zealand, the UK and elsewhere, including National College for Leadership of Schools and Childrens’ Services, British Education Research Association, New Zealand Centre for Educational Leadership, .