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Educational background:

March 1981: Received a bachelor’s degree from the Department of Home Economics, Ochanomizu University, Tokyo, with a major in child development

March 1990: Completed the master’s program of the Graduate School of Education with a major in child education, Shizuoka University, Shizuoka, dispatched from the USJC on the continuing studies system

Academic degree:

Bachelor’s degree in home economics, Ochanomizu University, Tokyo

Master’s degree in education, Shizuoka University, Shizuoka

Areas of Specialization:

- Child development
- Early childhood care and education

Subjects Taught:

- General early childhood care and education
- Infant care
- Early childhood care and education—words
- Early childhood care and education—environment
- Early childhood care and education—fitness
- Early childhood care and education—human relationships
- Guidance on Learning in Practice of Early Childhood Care and Education I, II, and III
- Social welfare practice
- Learning in practice on early childhood care and education
- Graduate work

Research themes:

- Practical research on child development
- Perspective on early childhood care and education
- Early childhood care and education and those who provided them in the postwar era

Academic society membership:

- Japan Society of Research on Early Childhood Care and Education
- The Japanese Society for the Education of Young Children

Professional background:

April 1981: Teacher at Shizuoka City Ohkouchi Elementary School, Shizuoka

April 1984: Adviser to the kindergarten attached to the Shizuoka University, Faculty of Education, Shizuoka

April 1995: Teacher at Shizuoka City Asabata Elementary School, Shizuoka

April 1999: Teacher at Shizuoka City Ando Kindergarten, Shizuoka

April 2002: Teacher at Shizuoka City Nishina Elementary School, Shizuoka

April 2004: Full-time lecturer at Tokoha University Junior College, Department of Early Childhood Care and Education, Shizuoka

April 2007: Associate professor at Tokoha University Junior College, Department of Early Childhood Care and Education, Shizuoka

Social activities:

- Assistant deputy chair of the Shizuoka City Council for Promoting Children's Book-Reading Activities
- President of Shizuoka City Library Council

Papers published in scholarly journals:

• *Kodomo no sodachi ni kansuru jissenteki kenkyu—San-sai-ji Susumu no sodachi wo otte* [Practical research on a process of growth of children—using the case of three-year old boy, Susumu]. *Proceedings of Guidance Center for Educational Research and Teacher Development, Shizuoka University*, vol. 3 (1992), 145–56.

• *Hoiku wo “miru” koi ni tsuiteno ichi-kosatsu* [A discussion on the acts of “watching” early childhood care and education]. *Proceedings of Tokoha University Junior College*, no. 36 (2005), 99–117.

• *Kodomo wo shutai ni shita hoiku no genten wo saguru—Fujino Keiko no mezashita hoiku kara* [A consideration of the origins of independence in early childhood education—From the perspective of Ms. Keiko Fujino]. *Proceedings of Tokoha University Junior College*, no. 41 (2010), 77–90.

Book publications:

- *Enshu hoiku naiyo—kotoba* [Practical lessons on early childhood care and education—words]. Tokyo: Kenpakusha, 2008, 52–69. Joint authorship.
- *Siido bukku, hoikusha-ron* [Seed book series: Theory of the provider of early childhood care and education]. Tokyo: Kenpakusha, 2009, 98–109. Joint authorship.
- *Hoiku-naiyo—ningen-kankei* [Early childhood care and education—human relationships]. Tokyo: Minerva Shobo, 2009, 109–34. Joint authorship.
- *Siido bukku, hoiku-genri* [Seed book series: The elements of early childhood care and education]. Tokyo: Kenpakusha, 2011, 41–62. Joint authorship.
- *Shin hoiku katei, kyoiku katei-ron* [New theories on the early childhood care and education course program, and the education course curriculum]. Tokyo: Dobunshoin, 2011, 73–88. Joint authorship.
- *Yoji kyoiku, hoiku katei-ron* [Theories on the early childhood education, and the early childhood care and education course program]. Tokyo: Kenpakusha, 2011, 26–45. Joint authorship.
- *Hoiku, kyoshoku jissen enshu* [Learning in practice: early childhood care and education course program, and teacher-training course program]. Tokyo: Kenpakusha, 2013, 97–100. Joint authorship.

My policies on education and research:

Early childhood care and education is an act that arises at the contact point of children and grown-ups. A great many things are hidden in the world of children, like a fairy-tale forest, and we find something new whenever we step into the forest. Let's find the fun of children by exploring this children's forest.