Elkins Park, PA – Barbara Schwartz-Bechet, EdD, associate dean for the Salus University College of Education and Rehabilitation, was recently announced as the winner of the International Award for Excellence for Volume 21 of The Learner Collection. Her article, “Virtual Supervision of Teacher Candidates: A Case Study,” was selected from the ten highest-ranked papers in the peer review process.

The Learner Collection is comprised of several international journals that provide a forum for any person with interest in and concern for education at any of its levels – from early childhood to higher education.

A member of Phi Beta Delta, Dr. Schwartz-Bechet is the associate editor of the National Association for Professional Development Schools Journal and an Illinois State Board of Education program reviewer. She is a member of numerous professional organizations, including the Association for Behavior Analysis, Council for Exceptional Children, the University Professional & Continuing Education Association (UPCEA) and the American Educational Research Association (AERA). In addition, Dr. Schwartz-Bechet has presented and published extensively both nationally and internationally.

Dr. Schwartz-Bechet received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Elementary Education from Brooklyn College, a Master of Science in Education from the College of Staten Island and a Doctor of Education in Applied Behavior Analysis from Columbia University – Teachers College.

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