

CU Accelerate Faculty Profile

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Profile

Karen Van Matre has been an at-home mom for the last 20 years. She holds a Masters Degree in Education from Pepperdine University which she achieved while raising her young family. She and her husband have 3 teenage boys, one who has Down syndrome. Karen enjoys serving others through her many volunteer positions. Her life has been blessed and she looks forward to educating students about differences in life.

Education

M.A.	Education	Pepperdine University	1996
B.A.	Journalism	Pepperdine University	1984

Professional / Scholarly Presentations

- Educational speaker for the Down syndrome Association of Orange County
- Guest speaker for Psychology and Development of Diverse Learners, Concordia University

Expertise

- Served as a reading specialist for pilot reading program for preschoolers with Down syndrome
- Coordinates student service "Day of Dreams", Lutheran High School of Orange County
- Coordinates student volunteers for Down syndrome Buddy Walk, Lutheran High School

Special Interests & Activities

- Working out, beach, boating, camping, watching my kids sporting events.

Courses Taught at Concordia

- ALA 302, The Human Dimension