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**EDUCATION**

Ph.D., Sociology, 1992, University of Wisconsin-Madison

M.S., Sociology, 1988, University of Wisconsin-Madison

B.A., Sociology, 1985, Calvin College

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

2009-present—Professor of Sociology, University of Notre Dame

2009-present—Director of the Center for Research on Educational Opportunity (CREO), University of Notre Dame

2012-present—Director of the Research Center on Educational Policy (RCEP), University of Notre Dame

2015-2017—Co-Editor, *American Educational Research Journal*

2015-2016 — Vice President of the American Education Research Association’s Division L, Policy and Politics of Education

2014, Fellow American Educational Research Association

2013-2015—Co-Editor, *Education Evaluation and Policy Analysis*

2013-2014—Program Chair, American Educational Research Association

2005-2011—Director of the National Center on School Choice (NCSC), Vanderbilt University, Peabody College (IES Funded)

2004-2005—Assistant Director of the National Center on School Choice (NCSC), Vanderbilt University, Peabody College (IES Funded)

2002-2008—Associate Professor of Public Policy and Education, Department of Leadership, Policy, and Organizations, Vanderbilt University, Peabody College

2007-2010 — Vice President of the American Education Research Association’s Division L, Policy and Politics of Education

2003-2005—Director of Graduate Studies, Department of Leadership, Policy, and Organizations, Peabody College, Vanderbilt University

2002-present—Adjunct Senior Social Scientist, RAND

2000-2002—Senior Social Scientist, RAND, Washington, DC

2002—Adjunct Professor of Educational Policy and Leadership, University of Maryland

1998-2000—Social Scientist, RAND, Washington, DC

1992-1997—Associate Social Scientist, RAND, Washington, DC

1991-1992 —Data Coordinator, Center on Organization and Restructuring of

Schools, Wisconsin Center for Educational Research, Madison, Wisconsin

1991 —Lecturer, Department of Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison

1990-1991 —Project Assistant, Center on Organization and Restructuring of

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1986-1990 —Project Assistant, National Center on Effective Secondary

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**RESEARCH AREAS**

Throughout his research career, Professor Berends has focused on how school organization and classroom instruction are related to student achievement, with special attention to disadvantaged students. Within this agenda, he has applied a variety of quantitative and qualitative methods and macro- and micro-level approaches to understanding the relationships among school reforms and the outcomes for teachers and students. In the 1990s, he led the summative evaluation of New American Schools (NAS), at the time the largest privately funded reform movement in the nation. The overall finding of his work was that extensive further development of the reform models and careful alignment of the school system were essential to promoting further innovative instructional strategies and gains in student achievement.

As a result of this research, the U.S. Department of Education invited Professor Berends’ participation in the national evaluation of Title 1 and the Comprehensive School Reform programs. In addition, he examined the relationships of changing families and schools on student achievement between 1972 and 2004. The goal was to understand how these changes during different reform periods related to the black-white and Latino-white achievement gaps. Important improvements for black and Latino students were the improved socioeconomic conditions of their families and the increased perception of within school opportunities. Moreover, had resegregation not occurred over this time period, the achievement gaps would have closed even more. This research was included in an amicus brief submitted to the U.S. Supreme Court in cases about school choice and the use of race as a deciding factor in Seattle, WA and Louisville, KY. The brief marks only the fifth time in its history that the court has considered social science research during its deliberations, beginning with Brown in 1954.

Professor Berends’ current research relies on experimental and quasi-experimental designs to focus on three primary areas: (1) the effects of school choice (particularly charter and Catholic schools) on student achievement growth; (2) the scale-up of a reading intervention in Haiti; and (3) the effects of ability grouping and tracking on students' academic and social outcomes in nationally representative samples over the past 30 years. His recent books include *The International Handbook of the Sociology of Education* (SAGE London, forthcoming), *School Choice and School Improvement* (Harvard Education Press, 2011), *Handbook of Research on School Choice* (Routledge, 2009), and *Leading with Data* (Corwin, 2009).

**School Choice and Educational Innovations**

In 2011, Indiana passed education policies on charter schools and vouchers, increasing parents’ options for enrolling their children in schools that best meet their needs. The state instituted the *Indiana Choice Scholarship Program,* providing qualifying families with state-funded vouchers to offset tuition costs at participating private schools. And it expanded the number of public charter schools to 75—nearly double that of 5 years earlier—serving about 24,000 students statewide. Though it hosts one of the largest voucher programs in the United States, currently serving about 32,000 students, little is known about its effects on Indiana schools and students. Likewise, little is known about the effects of the Indiana charter school expansion on student outcomes.

Funded by the Spencer Foundation, the three-year study will examine the following research questions: (1) What is the impact of the Indiana Choice Scholarship Program (vouchers) on student achievement gains and the schools these students attend? (2) What is the impact of the charter schools on student achievement gains? (3) Are these voucher and charter school impacts greater for some groups of students compared with others, having effects on the racial/ethnic and socioeconomic achievement gaps? (4) How do schools of choice (charter or private schools) differ from traditional public schools in terms of organizational and instructional conditions, school leadership, professional capacity, school learning climate and funding conditions, and parent involvement and support that promote achievement?

We will examine the achievement gains of students receiving vouchers to attend private schools and students choosing to attend a charter school in the state of Indiana. Because students in traditional public, charter, and private schools all take the same state assessments, we have a unique opportunity to examine achievement outcomes across students and school sectors using longitudinal student assessment data from the Indiana Department of Education. With additional longitudinal data collected from schools and teachers in a representative sample of K-8 traditional public schools, charter schools, and private schools, we will be able to examine the conditions under which the impacts of the voucher and charter schools occur. With Joe Waddington at the University of Chicago and NORC of the University of Chicago, the study will gather survey data from 600 schools and about 6,000 teachers in Year 2 of the study.

Dr. Berends also served as Director of the National Center on School Choice (<http://www.vanderbilt.edu/schoolchoice/>) awarded a $13.3 million grant by the Institute for Education Sciences of the U.S. Department of Education. Partners included the Brookings Institution, Brown University, Harvard University, Indiana University, the National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER), the Northwest Evaluation Association (NWEA), Stanford University, University of Indianapolis, and the University of Wisconsin. The NCSC's projects include research on the effects of charter schools on student achievement, teacher recruitment and teaching quality, curriculum and instruction, and parental involvement. A second set of projects focus on the effects of competition on public schools and systems using the nation’s largest student achievement growth database of NWEA.

**Randomized Field Trials of Reading Interventions at Scale**

With a team of colleagues at Notre Dame’s Alliance for Catholic Education (ACE), Dr. Berends is involved in ACE Haiti. After the 2010 earthquake in Haiti, ACE aimed to bring help to the Holy Cross community to recover and rebuild. In the fall of 2014, ACE Haiti launched “Haiti Reads,” a literacy intervention with random assignment in 50 Haitian Catholic schools and 50 controls. The project serves 7,000 students, trains about 130 teachers, and implements a reading curriculum for students to learn to read in their native tongue, Creole, as well as French. Dr. Berends and his colleague Professor Andrew Elliot of the University of Rochester are working with ACE faculty and staff to study the effects of this literacy and teacher training intervention on student motivation and teachers’ sense of efficacy, with the promise of informing and enhancing the design of this approach in Haiti and beyond.

This project builds on a previous randomized field trial that Dr. Berends co-led with colleagues at Vanderbilt (Drs. Doug Fuchs [PI], Lynn Fuchs, and Don Compton), University of Minnesota (Dr. Kristen McMaster), and University of Texas Pan American (Dr. Laura Saenz); the team examined the effects of an early reading program at scale with a randomized research design. For over a decade, a research group at Vanderbilt University has partnered with local school districts to develop reading Peer-Assisted Learning Strategies (PALS, Doug and Lynn Fuchs). Its purpose is to strengthen teachers’ capacity to meet the academic needs of a broader range of children. PALS incorporates empirically validated, state-of-the-art practices for improving phonological awareness, decoding, and comprehension. The program has been empirically tested in multiple, large, randomized field trials. The study is a randomized field trial in Nashville, Minneapolis, and south Texas to assess the effects of PALS and factors related to scale-up in various settings across the nation.

**New American Schools**

For several years, Dr. Berends led a multi-year research effort on New American Schools Development Corporation's (NAS) whole-school reforms. With RAND colleagues, he published *Facing the Challenges of Whole-School Reform: New American Schools After a Decade* (2002). The central focus of this effort assessed whether the NAS designs were associated with changes in schools, classrooms, and student outcomes. A significant component of this research monitored a longitudinal sample of over 100 schools through principal phone interviews, teacher surveys, and district-provided data between 1996 and 1999. A supplementary study on changes in classroom practices and student achievement trends provided more detailed information about how the NAS designs were related to changes in teaching and learning opportunities for students. The book from this study was published by RAND and entitled *Challenges of Conflicting School Reforms: Effects of New American Schools in a High-Poverty District* (2002). Such quantitative information on implemented practices, school and classroom characteristics, and performance outcomes will provide critical information on the progress of this national reform effort.

**Social Context of Education**

Dr. Berends also led project that examines the effects of changing families and schools on student achievement trends, particularly those of black, Latino, and white students. With his collaborator Professor Sam Lucas of Berkeley, Dr. Berends’ research examines whether changes in family background and school characteristics (e.g., desegregation and academic-track placement) account for the closing of the test score gap between minority and non-minority students in high- and low-poverty settings between 1972 and 2004.

**Ability Grouping and Tracking**

Dr. Berends has conducted several studies on the effects of ability grouping and tracking on students' academic and social outcomes. This research has also examined the impact of instructional differences among grouped classes. Dr. Berends has examined the effects of tracking on students’ school bonding and engagement, finding support for ethnographers’ arguments that tracking polarizes students into pro- and anti-school orientations.

With Dr. Lucas, Dr. Berends is co-leading a project that examines the structure and effects of tracking in several data sets covering the experiences of several student cohorts over the past thirty years. The cohorts represented are sufficiently close together that a fine-grained understanding of trends in tracking and its effects may be obtained. The main questions are: (1) Has the *structure* of tracking changed over time? (2) What have been the patterns of track *mobility* over time? (3) How have the *effects* of track location on achievement changed over time after the effects of family, demographic, and school factors have been considered?

**RESEARCH SUPPORT**

Principal Investigator, School Choice in Indiana: An Examination of Impacts and the Conditions Under Which Choice is Effective. Spencer Foundation, Lyle Spencer Research Award-funded at $999,024 over 3 years (October 2015-September 2018)

Principal Investigator, School Quality Matrix for Indianapolis 3.0. Walton Family Foundation-funded at $240,159 over 3 years (September 2015-August 2018).

Principal Investigator, Effects of School Choice in Indiana. Walton Family Foundation-funded at $299,423 over 2 years (October 2014—September 2016).

Principal Investigator, Examining Catholic School Effectiveness in Cities Across the United States. Walton Family Foundation-funded at $1,340,000 over 6 years (June 2009-May 2015).

Principal Investigator, Sensitivity of Teacher Value-Added Results to Different Measures of Student Growth. U.S. Department of Education's Institute of Education Sciences-funded at $150,000 (May 2011-December 2011).

Director, National Center on School Choice (NCSC). U.S. Department of Education Institute of Education Sciences -funded at $10 million over 7 years (September 2004-September 2011).

Principal Investigator, Opening Up the Black Box of Choice and Regular Public Schools:   
A Study of Achievement Growth, Instruction & Alignment. U.S. Department of Education Institute of Education Sciences -funded at $3.3 million over 5 years as part of the NCSC (September 2006-September 2011).

Co-Principal Investigator, Scaling Up Peer-Assisted Learning Strategies to Strengthen Reading Achievement. U.S. Department of Education Institute of Education Sciences -funded at $5.5 million over 5 years (September 2004-September 2009).

Co-Principal Investigator, The Structure and Effects of Tracking in the United States: A Temporal Perspective. Spencer Foundation-funded at $472,800 over 8 years (March 1997-February 2005).

Co-Principal Investigator, Explaining Student Achievement Trends, 1972-1992. U.S. Department of Education-funded at $436,918 over 7 years (October 1996-December 2003).

Co-Principal Investigator, Monitoring the Progress of Title I and Comprehensive School Reform Demonstration Program (CSRD) Schools, National Evaluation of Title I and CSRD Programs. U.S. Department of Education-funded at $1.76 million over 4 years (September 1999-June 2003).

Co-Principal Investigator, National Board for Professional Teaching Standards. NBPTS-funded at $185,380 (March 2002-July 2002).

Project Director, National Study of Title I Schools. U.S. Department of Education-funded at $1.9 million (October 2000-July 2002).

Co-Principal Investigator, The Quality of Instruction in High-Poverty Settings: Evidence from the Longitudinal Evaluation of School Change and Performance. U.S. Department of Education-funded at $155,000 (February 2002-September 2002).

Co-Principal Investigator, Analytic Plan to Evaluate National Longitudinal Survey of Schools (NLSS) and Comprehensive School Reform Demonstration (CSRD) Survey Data. U.S. Department of Education-funded at $50,000 (March 1999-August 1999).

Co-Principal Investigator, RAND Assessment of New American Schools. New American Schools-funded at $2.4 million for 5 years (December 1997-June 2002).

Co-Principal Investigator, Trends in High School Grade Inflation and its Correlates. College Entrance Examination Board-funded at $190,945 for 3 years (August 1998-September 2001).

Co-Principal Investigator, Who’s Teaching At-Risk Students? U.S. Department of Education-funded at $299,986 for 3 years (October 1996-September 1999).

**BOOKS, ARTICLES, OTHER PUBLICATIONS, AND PRESENTATIONS**

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Berends, M. Teacher Quality and Certification: The National Board for Professional Teaching Standards’ Sponsored Program of Research. Symposium at the American Educational Research Association, Chicago, 2003.

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Berends, M. Grade inflation: Reality, myths, and pitfalls. Invited paper for the Educational Records Bureau Conference, New York, NY, October 24, 2002.

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Berends, M. Tracking, social promotions, and other educational organizational issues. Presentation to the National Research Council, Panel on Juvenile Crime: Prevention, Treatment, and Control. Washington, DC, October 2, 1998.

Bodilly, S., & Berends, M. Necessary district support for comprehensive school reform. Paper presented at the Title I: Seizing the Opportunity Invited Conference in Washington, DC, Co-sponsored by the Harvard Civil Rights Project and the Citizens’ Commission on Civil Rights, September 18, 1998.

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U.S. Department of Education, February, 1995.

Press conference to national media upon public release of report, RAND’s Washington office, December, 1994.

Seminar at Teachers College, Columbia University, April, 1994.

National Academy of Sciences, April, 1994.

RAND European Board of Directors, March, 1994.

Operations Research Society of America (ORSA) and The Institute of Management Sciences (TIMS), December, 1993

RAND Institute on Education and Training Board of Directors, November, 1993.

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Berends, M., Koretz, D., & Lewis, E. Exploring racial and ethnic test score differences in national samples. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Educational Research Association, New Orleans: April, 1994.

Berends, M. Restructuring in American schools. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Educational Research Association, New Orleans: April, 1994.

Ladwig, J. G., & Berends, M. Testing the sociology of school knowledge. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Educational Research Association, New Orleans: April, 1994.

Berends, M., Grissmer, D. W., Kirby, S. N., & Williamson, S. Assessing family, parent, and school effects on achievement. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Miami Beach: August, 1993.

Berends, M. On what track? The effects of organizational stratification at high school entry. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Pittsburgh: August, 1992.

Berends, M. Peer influences on students' attitudes, behavior and academic achievement in school. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Educational Research Association, San Francisco: April, 1992.

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Berends, M. Tracking and students’ attitudes, behaviors, and academic achievement in school. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Educational Research Association, Chicago: April, 1991.

Berends, M. High school tracking and students’ school orientations. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Washington, DC: August, 1990.

Gamoran, A., Berends, M., & Nystrand, M. Classroom instruction and the effects of ability grouping: A structural model. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Educational Research Association, Boston: March, 1990.

Berends, M., & Gamoran, A. What are the effects of stratifying students in secondary schools? Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the North Central Association Commission on Schools, Chicago: April, 1989.

**TEACHING**

Advanced Organizational Theory

Contemporary Educational Issues--Educational Opportunity & Inequality

Introduction to Research Methods

Social Context of Education

Sociology of Education

Survey Methods

**EDITORIAL SERVICE**

Editorial Board, *American Educational Research Journal,*  2008-2010, 2011-2014, 2014-2016

Editorial Board, *American Journal of Education,* 2011-present

Editorial Board, *Educational Evaluation and Policy Analysis*, 2011-2012

Editorial Board, *Educational Administration Quarterly*, 2004-2008

Editorial Board, *Sociology of Education*, 2000-2003, 2009-2012

**AD HOC REVIEWING**

*AERA Open*

*American Educational Research Journal* (editorial board)

*American Journal of Education* (editorial board)

*American Journal of Sociology*

*American Sociological Review*

*Educational Evaluation and Policy Analysis* (editorial board)

*Educational Researcher*

*Educational Research Quarterly*

*Journal of Curriculum Studies*

*Journal of Education for Students Placed At Risk*

*Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*

*Journal of Research on Educational Effectiveness*

*Research in Sociology of Education and Socialization*

*Research in the Teaching of English*

*Review of Educational Research*

*Review of Research in Education*

*Science*

*Sociology of Education* (editorial board)

*Social Forces*

*Social Problems*

American Educational Research Association

American Sociological Association

National Center for Education Statistics

National Science Foundation

RAND Book Series

The Spencer Foundation

Urban Institute

U.S. Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

U.S. Department of Justice

**HONORS, ADMINISTRATIVE AND COMMITTEE SERVICE**

Participant, American Educational Research Association’s Knowledge Forum (2016)

Co-Editor, *American Educational Research Journal* (2015-2018)

Vice President of the American Education Research Association’s Division L, Policy and Politics of Education (2015-2016)

Fellow, American Educational Research Association ( 2014)

Co-Editor, *Educational Evaluation and Policy Analysis* (2013-2015)

Program Chair, American Educational Research Association (2014)

Member of U.S. Department of Education's Institute of Education Sciences (IES) Scientific Review Panel on Education Systems and Broad Reform (3-year member, 2010-2012)

Chair, U.S. Department of Education's Institute of Education Sciences (IES) Scientific Review Panel on Low-Performing Schools Competition and the Scaling Up Effective Schools R&D Centers (2010)

Vice President of the American Education Research Association’s Division L, Policy and Politics of Education (2007-2010)

Member of U.S. Department of Education's Institute of Education Sciences (IES) Scientific Review Panel on Education Systems and Broad Reform (3 year member, 2005-2008)

National Academy of Sciences, Division of Behavioral and Social Sciences and Education, Committee Member on Large-Scale Reform in K-12 STEM Education (2010-2011)

Technical Work Group, Evaluation of Teacher Induction Programs, U.S. Department of Education being conducted by Mathematica, 2007-2010.

Technical Work Group, Evaluation of Reading Comprehension Interventions, U.S. Department of Education being conducted by Mathematica, 2005-2008.

Director of Graduate Studies, Department of Leadership, Policy, and Organizations, Peabody College, Vanderbilt University, 2003-2005.

American Education Research Association, 2002 Division L Program Chair, Educational Policy and Politics.

American Education Research Association, Palmer O. Johnson Memorial Award Committee, 2000-2003.

American Education Research Association, 2001 Section L Chair Governance and Education Policy, Educational Policy and Politics, Governance.

American Sociological Association, Sociology of Education Council, 1998 – 2001.

Technical Work Group, Evaluation of Safe-Schools/Healthy Students Initiative, U.S. Department of Education being conducted by Research Triangle Institute, 2000-2004.

National Advisory Panel for the CoZi Initiative, The Bush Center in Child Development and Social Policy, Yale University, 1997-1999

Consultant for the evaluation of 21C, The Bush Center in Child Development and Social Policy, Yale University, 1999-2001

Committee to Advance the Field of Sociology of Education, American Sociological Association Section on the Sociology of Education, 1993-1998.

RAND Education’s Research Council, 1998-2002.

RAND’s Human Subjects Protection Committee, 1997-2002.

RAND’s Computer Advisory Committee, 1993-1996.

Committee on Nominations, American Sociological Association Section on the Sociology of Children, 1995-1996.

**PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

American Educational Research Association, 1987-present

American Sociological Association, 1987-present

Association for Educational Finance and Policy, 2014-present

Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, 2015-present

International Sociological Association, Research Council 28, 1999-2002

Population Association of America, 2000-present

*Phi Delta Kappa International*, 2002-2009

Society for Research on Educational Effectiveness, 2010-Present