

Meet the Staff

ALLISON CREAN DAVIS, PH.D.

Coordinator for Evaluation

As the coordinator for evaluation, Dr. Davis helps CIL understand the impact of its work in supporting educators to select, implement, and scale up innovative practices. She finds the value of evaluation is in its pragmatic application to improve and sustain processes and program outcomes. She is excited to explore how innovative practices in the education sector are, can, and perhaps should be evaluated.

Allison has a diverse background as a consultant, researcher, evaluator, and practitioner in education and child/developmental psychology. She brings vast experience working with educators, policymakers, and funders at the national, state, district, and local school levels and across the continuum of pre-K to postsecondary institutions. Her work has provided her the privilege of working with educators practicing in inner-cities, on rural farmlands, on Indian reservations, and in the Caribbean Islands.

Prior to her work as a consultant, Allison was the program director for research for the North Central Regional Educational Laboratory's Center for Data Systems and Development. Allison has also worked as an administrator and counselor for the City Colleges of Chicago, has taught in special education programs for emotionally disturbed youths, and has extensive experience providing psychological diagnostic assessment and treatment services to children and families. Before that, Allison worked in corporate settings as a buyer for a nationally distributed retail catalog and as a participant in the executive training program for Macy's Northeast.

Allison is bilingual (English/Spanish), achieving this through study abroad in Colombia, South America, during her undergraduate years. She earned her Ph.D. in psychology from the Institute of Psychology, Illinois Institute of Technology, and a B.A. in both psychology and Spanish from Lafayette College. She is a lifelong runner and former competitive rower and coach. Allison is a mother/stepmother of four children and resides in Kennebunk, Maine.



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