## WHAT DOES WORLD-CLASS FACULTY LOOK LIKE?

Since 2018, four Florida State University School of Teacher Education faculty members have won prominent early career awards.



**Dr. Veronica Fleury** 

Assistant Professor

Assistant Professor of Special Education Dr. Veronica Fleury was awarded the Institute of Education Sciences (IES) Early Career grant in 2018. Fleury is using the award to develop an adaptive intervention targeting emergent literacy skill development for preschool students with autism. She's hopeful the intervention will serve as an instructional blueprint that teachers can use to guide decisions to better support the needs of their students.



**Dr. Lama Jaber** 

Assistant Professor

Assistant Professor of Science Education and FSU-Teach faculty Dr. Lama Jaber has recently received a 2019 National Science Foundation (NSF) CAREER Award. Through the grant, Jaber will look at ways to cultivate science and math teachers' empathy and examine the relationship between empathy and responsive teaching, with the goal of developing an instructional model to inform teacher education programs.



**Dr. Jenny Root** 

Assistant Professor

Assistant Professor of Special Education Dr. Jenny Root has been awarded a 2019 IES Early Career grant. Root is using the award to develop a math problem-solving curriculum for secondary students with extensive support needs. Root aims to expand upon the limited research currently available and arm practitioners with evidence-informed instruction while developing her methodology expertise.



**Dr. Laura Steacy** 

Assistant Professor

Florida Center for Reading Research researcher and Assistant Professor of Special Education Dr. Laura Steacy has been awarded a 2019 IES Early Career grant. Steacy will use the award to research ways to support students with learning disabilities, including developing instructional supports for students with dyslexia. A mentorship component of the award will allow Steacy to build her expertise in reading theory, dyslexia, and new methodologies.



