

## Connie E. Taylor, PhD

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Connie is an independent scholar, consultant, coach, and writer.

During her recent immersion in the world of academia, Connie earned both an MEd and PhD at Queen's Faculty of Education where she acquired teaching, research, and scholarly skills. As an academic, Connie: conducted doctoral research on wisdom; taught at the University; served as a discussant and conference proposal reviewer; and presented at more than 20 conferences, including the Canadian Society for the Study of Education, and the American Educational Research Association.

Dr. Taylor's newly acquired academic skills are teamed with her former Bachelor of Commerce degree, and her many years of practical business experience. Connie has served both the for-profit and not-for-profit business sectors.

Connie began her career at Bell Canada, growing as a manager and financial analyst. Then, as an entrepreneur and in partnership, Connie was responsible for the creation and start-up of a wireless telecom company, LanSer Telecom. This company grew to 75 employees with \$2m in international sales, and raised \$21m of debt and equity from investment partners. Connie subsequently worked as VP Corporate Development for a financial services firm. Here, Connie's entrepreneurial interests were teamed with her appreciation for the not-for-profit sector. She simultaneously served this firm's philanthropic foundation. As Executive Director, she grew the foundation, and funded a series of educational and anti-poverty programs. Connie's next career move was to launch a consulting practice, Compelling Concepts, that served the not-for-profit sector with strategic planning, policy development, and business implementation strategies. Clients included the United Way of Oakville, Big Brothers Big Sisters, Trent University, The Aids Committee of Toronto, University of Toronto, and Sick Kids Hospital Foundation.

Currently, as a social scientist with a focus on wisdom and its practice, Connie has uniquely tempered her perspective and approach to our daily lives and business practices. Dr. Taylor is once again serving the community; academics with their research, organizations with their business development, and individuals with their personal growth.

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