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Timothy D. Davis, Ph.D., is an associate professor in the Physical Education Department at State University of New York at Cortland. He is also the Graduate Coordinator for Adapted Physical Education. He earned his bachelors and masters degrees in Physical Education/Adapted Physical Education from California State University at Chico and a PhD in Adapted Physical Education/Early Childhood Special Education from the University of Virginia. He has been teaching in the field of Adapted Physical Education for over twenty five years. Dr. Davis is the national chair of the Adapted Physical Education National Standards (APENS) Program and oversees the national standards and certification process in Adapted Physical Education sponsored by the National Consortium on Physical Education and Recreation for Individuals with Disabilities (NCPEID). Dr. Davis has created school partnerships in APE and has partnered with SUNY Upstate Medical to develop the Fit Families and Families on the Go Programs that address the needs of children with spina bifida and cerebral palsy and families.

Tim received the Rozanne Brooks Distinguished Teaching Professor Award and was awarded the William A. Hillman Distinguished Service award through the National Consortium on Physical Education and Recreation for Individuals with Disabilities. He is the director of the SUNY Cortland CHAMP/I Can Do It afterschool peer mentorship program, and the Sensory Integration/Motor Sensory (SIMS) Movement Center. Most recently, he was invited to speak at the White House on sport and physical education for children with disabilities. In 2017 he was an invited speaker at the United Nations/World Health Organization conference speaking on behalf of international rights for children with disabilities. He recently received a combined gift of 250 thousand dollars to expand the SIMS lab to include a multi-sensory environment (MSE) to address the needs of children with severe and profound disabilities.

Tim is a sought after key note speaker across the country and internationally having recently given a keynote address on sensory processing disorder at an international conference in Beijing China.