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Dr. Copeland earned her BS at Loyola University of Chicago and her PhD at the University of Virginia. She conducted her postdoctoral training at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation. While at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation she conducted research in the areas of patient education, graduate education, and continuing medical education. She and Marian Hewson, PhD were honored with having their paper in the Academic Medicine Classics list. Dr. Copeland spent many years conducting program evaluations and focused on science education programs as well as training programs for interdisciplinary research. Her research interests are in alternative assessments, defining and promoting interdisciplinary approaches, health literacy, and evaluation use. Her recent work has looked at the role of professional identity in success as a graduate student and assessing validity of admissions methods.

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