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Dr. Mary Blackinton is the Director of the DPT Program at Nova Southeastern University-Tampa, a completely hybrid professional Doctor of Physical Therapy program that started in 2011. She has been a faculty member at Nova Southeastern University since 1994, serving as Director of the Transition DPT Program from 2002-2010. Dr. Blackinton's educational research interests focus on the scholarship of teaching and learning, especially related to hybrid/blended environments. She is the co-chair of the Health Professions Educational Research Symposium (www.nova.edu/hpers) at Nova Southeastern University and was the ACAPT Chair of the ELC Program Committee from 2016-17. She is a contributing author for the textbook, Neurological Rehabilitation: A Patient-Centered Approach from Examination to Interventions and Outcomes (FA Davis, 2018), chapters 4 and 26. Her clinical research focus includes assessment of balance and the prevention of falls in people with PD.

Mary currently serves in a capacity of Director at Large for ACAPT, including for NIPEC. Her experience with Interprofessional Education includes developing an Interdisciplinary Balance and Fall Prevention Clinic at Nova Southeastern University (Ft. Lauderdale) in 2004 which continues to provide a truly collaborative assessment of balance and fall risk, with team members representing medicine, physical therapy, occupational therapy, pharmacy, psychology, audiology, and optometry.