Kathleen Brown spent seven years in southern Idaho as a remedial reading and migrant education teacher for every grade except Kindergarten and 12th. She completed her doctorate at the University of Utah with a focus in comprehension instruction and a post-doctorate in reading intervention with Darrell Morris, one of the nation’s premier reading clinicians. She holds Level 1 Wilson Language certification and was a national trainer with LETRS (Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling).

These experiences provide the background for her current directorship of the University of Utah Reading Clinic. In her capacity as director, Dr. Brown uses a clinical practicum model to help educators internalize the “what,” the “how”, the “why” and the “when” of reading instruction and intervention. She believes that the most effective way to build this kind of knowledge is for educators to receive coaching from experienced clinicians as they work directly with children over time. Dr. Brown continues to work with struggling readers on a regular basis because she believes that “to talk the talk, we have to walk the walk.”

In 1997, Dr. Brown received the University of Utah Graduate School of Education Teaching Award in recognition of her contribution to university teaching. Her work has been published in a number of scholarly journals, including Reading Research Quarterly, Elementary School Journal, Journal of Literacy Research, and The Reading Teacher.

The University of Utah Reading Clinic is located in the center of the Wasatch Front at 5242 South College Drive, Suite 100 in Murray. The clinic offers direct services to educators, as well as struggling readers and their parents.

Services include:
- reading assessment (basic and intensive),
- basic and intensive reading intervention for students (tuition based on sliding fee scale that includes family size and income),
- clinical practica for educators in basic and intensive intervention, as well as whole class reading, writing and word study instruction, and,
- workshops on particular topics (e.g., phonics instruction).

Services are delivered based on availability on-site in Murray and in schools throughout the state during the school year and during the summer.

Feedback from Clients - first-year novices to veteran teachers:
- This is the best training I have ever had!
- Why didn’t I get this in my university training? This is the “big theory picture” AND the “nuts-&-bolts details” I’ve needed!
- I use these techniques every day with my small groups! They work!
- I’m so relieved I don’t have to re-invent the wheel every day for my struggling readers!
These ladies really know what they’re talking about. I want them to come back next year and do the writing piece!

As we all know, educators vote with their feet. *In every instance*, the UURC has been asked back for a second, and often, third and fourth year of training.

For more information, visit the clinic website at [www.uurc.org](http://www.uurc.org).