

Oxford Education Research Symposium
at
St. Hilda's College

Rooftop Garden Room

MONDAY, JULY 17, 2023

- 9:00 – 9:10 A.M. Introduction and Welcome
Kern Alexander, Symposium Facilitator
David Martin, Symposium Facilitator
Michele Hill, Symposium Coordinator
- 9:10 – 9:40 A.M. Topic: Fairness and Integrity: What Makes a
Difference in Education, Principle, and
Reality
Presenter: **David Martin**, UK
- 9:40 – 10:10 A.M. Topic: Considering the Body in Pedagogy:
Understandings at the Intersection of
Cognition, Movement, and Practice
Presenter: **Niurca Márquez**, Assistant
Teaching Professor, Florida International
University, US; **Amber Ortega**, Berta
Almaguer Dance Studio and Community
Center, US
- 10:10 – 10:30 A.M. Tea/Coffee Break

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- 10:30 – 11:00 A. M. Topic: Metaverses as a Teaching Tool in Higher Education Instructors Training
Presenter: **David de Matias**, Head of Marketing Academic, UNIE Universidad, Spain; **Sofia Ruiz**, Professor, UFV, Spain; **Bethlem Boronat**; and **Ángel Azevedo**
- 11:00 – 11:30 A.M. Topic: Cell Phone Usage Education to Promote Gender Equality
Presenter: **Yukari Shiota**, Professor, Gakushuin University, Japan
- 11:30 – 12:00 P.M. Topic: The Influence of Digital Transformation on the Curricular and Pedagogical Practices in South Africa's Higher Education Institutions in the Era of the Fourth Industrial Revolution: A Critical Perspective
Presenter: **Edmore Mutekwe**, Professor, University of the Western Cape, South Africa
- 12:00 – 1:00 P.M. Buffet Lunch
- 1:00 – 1:30 P.M. Topic: Transformative Events in Professional Practice: An Autoethnographic Analysis of a Critical Incident
Presenter: **Todd Goodson**, Professor/Assistant Dean, Kansas State University, US

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- 1:30 – 2:00 P.M. Topic: Visual Cultural Practices of Postcolonial Elite Schools in Globalizing Circumstances
Presenter: **Cameron McCarthy**, Senior Professor University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, UK
- 2:00 – 2:30 P.M. Topic: An Effort to Address the Urgent Needs of Underqualified Teachers
Presenters: **Tonni Martinez**, Assistant Professor, Kansas State University, US
- 2:30 – 3:00 P.M. Topic: Economic Funding of Public Education and the Achievement Debate
Presenter: **William Gorman**, Lecturer, Monmouth University, US

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- 9:00 – 9:10 A.M. Welcome
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- 9:10 – 9:40 A.M. Topic The Every Student Succeeds Act: The
Leadership of Congressman Bobby Scott's
Presenter: **Tom Shields**, Associate Dean for
Academic and Student Affairs, University of
Richmond, US
- 9:40 – 10:10 A.M. Topic: Losing by the Wayside: Women
Doctors and Specialization in Pakistan
Presenter: **Zara Hussain**, Deputy Controller
of Examinations/Teaching Assistant, Lahore
School of Economics, Pakistan
- 10:10 – 10:30 A.M. Tea/Coffee Break
- 10:30 – 11:00 A. M. Topic: Comparative Study of Urban vs.
Rural School Leadership in China:
Implications for Rural School Reform and
Women's Leadership in Education
Presenter: **Zhixin Su**, Professor, California
State University, Northridge, US

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- 11:00 – 11:30 A.M. Topic: A Mixed-Methods Investigation:
Ethical Leadership Perspectives of
Superintendents in the state of California
Presenter: **Denver Fowler**, Associate Dean,
California State University, Bakersfield, US;
and **Sarah Graham-Jouganates**,
Department Chair, Associate Professor,
California State University, Sacramento; and
Yuerong Sweetland, Director of
Assessment, Franklin University, US
- 11:30 – 12:00 P.M. Topic: Leadership through Listening:
Activating Teacher Vitality and Mitigating
Turnover
Presenter: **Jentre Olsen**, Assistant Professor
and Brock Chair of Education Innovation,
Oklahoma State University, US
- 12:00 – 1:00 P.M. Buffet Lunch
- 1:00 – 1:30 P.M. Topic: Restorative Practice - Now More
Than Ever
Presenter: **James Longo**, Professor
Emeritus, Washington Jefferson College,
US, and **David Ryan Bunting**, Instructor,
Washington & Jefferson College, US

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- 1:30 – 2:00 P.M. Topic: Failing to Fit in: Problematic Effects of Sense of Belonging on Academic Achievement of US High School Students
Presenters: **Steve Song**, Professor, Concordia University Chicago, US; and **Pierre Lu**, Professor, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley, US
- 2:00 – 2:30 P.M. Topic: Building Mental Toughness: A Middle School Intervention to Increase Grit, Locus of Control, and Academic Performance
Presenter: **Kerri Zappala-Piemme**, Department Chair of the Educational Leadership Programs, Associate Professor, State University of New York, Plattsburgh, US; **Edward Sturman**, Professor, Associate Chair of the Psychology Department, State University of New York, Plattsburgh, US; **Gary G. Brannigan**, Professor Emeritus, State University of New York, Plattsburgh, US; and **Michael J. Brannigan**, Principal Queensbury Middle School, Queensbury Union Free School District, US
- 2:30 – 2:50 P.M. Tea/coffee Break

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- 2:50 – 3:20 P.M. Topic: “Join in a National Crusade”:
Discourse Analysis of Ronald Reagan’s
Framing of Education in the “War on
Drugs”
Presenter: **Eileen Wertzberger**, Assistant
Professor, Kansas State University, US
- 3:20 – 3:50 P.M. Topic: A Kantian Model Executing the
Power of the Law for Effective and Efficient
Investment in High-quality Education
Presenters: **Alison Taysum**, External
Examiner, University of Ireland, Maynooth,
Ireland
- 3:50 – 4: 20 P.M. Topic: Understanding School
Connectedness: A Search for Conceptual
Clarity
Presenter: **Annie Gowing**, Course
Coordinator, Master of Education, The
University of Melbourne, Australia
- 4:20 – 4:50 P.M. Topic: Expatriate faculty in private
universities in the UAE: The Power of
Managerialism
Presenter: **Taghreed Masri**, Assistant
Professor, PhD Student, University of
Exeter, UK

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- 9:10 – 9:40 A.M. Topic: Professionalism, Safety, and
Communication of DPT Students in First,
Full-Time Clinical Experience: Accelerated
Hybrid vs. Traditional Programs
Presenter: **Rachel Vannatta** Distinguished
Teaching Professor, Bowling Green State
University, US; **Allison Durham**, Assistant
Clinical Professor, US; **Stefanie Anderson**,
The University of Findlay, US;
Hannah Norton, South College, US;
Andrea Mierau, Augustana University, US;
S. Jacob Melnick, Hawai'i Pacific
University, US
- 9:40 – 10:10 A.M. Topic: Reading to talk: Enhancing English
Language Proficiency from Creative
Representations of Stories
Presenter: **Antonieta Morales-Jaramillo**,
Associate Professor, University of
Guayaquil, Ecuador; and **Éder Intriago-
Palacios**, Teaching Assistant Professor,
Kansas State University, US

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- 10:10 – 10:30 A.M. Tea/Coffee Break
- 10:30 – 11:00 A. M. Topic: A Chatbot for Early Researchers:
Proposed Design and Interface
Presenter: **Chaitanya Vyas**, Assistant
Professor, PDEU, India
- 11:00 – 11:30 A.M. Topic: Words Matter Café-Disrupting the
Silos of Learning in Higher Education
Presenter: **Luz Martin del Campo**,
Doctoral Lecturer, Kingsborough
Community College-City University of New
York, US
- 11:30 – 12:00 P.M. Topic: The Role of Storytelling in Post
Pandemic Education
Presenter: **Moira Dougherty**, Independent
Scholar, US
- 12:00 – 1:00 P.M. Buffet Lunch
- 1:00 – 1:30 P.M. Topic: Using Action Research to Improve
my Teaching: The Journal of a Reluctant
Online Teacher
Presenter: **Debra Brace**, Associate
Professor, University of Toledo, US
- 1:30 – 2:00 P.M. Topic: Flipped Online Active Learning at an
HSI
Presenter: **Pierre Lu**, Professor, University
of Texas RGV, US; and **Seokmin Kang**,
Professor, University of Texas RGV, US

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- 2:00 – 2:30 P.M. Topic: Teacher Attrition in the State of Kansas
Presenter: **Chanh Bao Lam**, Data Analyst in Teacher Education and Accreditation, Kansas State University, US
- 2:30 – 2:50 P.M. Tea/coffee Break
- 2:50 – 3:20 P.M. Topic: A Commentary: The Failure of 'Indian/First Nation Control of Indian/First Nation Education in Canada'
Presenters: **Ron Phillips**, Associate Professor, Nipissing University, Canada
- 3:20 – 3:50 P.M. Topic: A Report on the Pedagogical Training Program in Higher Education Institutions in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq
Presenter: **Mohammed Rasul Murad Akoi**, Iraq
- 3:50 – 4: 20 P.M. Topic: The Journey, Not the Arrival: A Phenomenological Exploration of Place Attachment, Travel and Place-based Literacies
Presenter: **Vicki Sherbert**, Associate Professor, Kansas State University, US

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Symposium Facilitators

David Martin is a former Headmaster of a state school in the United Kingdom. He taught leadership courses at the University of Amsterdam and lectured at Oxford University. Dr Martin has been an International Consultant for Secondary School Modernization in Trinidad and Tobago and in Guyana. He has, also, worked for the Inter-American Development Bank, and has served as Co-Director of Developing Schools and Services for Democracy in Europe and in Oxford. In addition, he has served as a Research Fellow in Comparative Education and Development programmes at the University of Reading.

Kern Alexander is an Alumnus of Pembroke College, University of Oxford. He is professor of higher education at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. Alexander's recent publications include *American Public School Law, 9th Edition, 2019*; *University Law, 2021*, and *The Law of Schools, Students and Teachers in a Nutshell, 7th Edition, 2022* published by West Academic Law Publishing Company.

Symposium Coordinator

Michele Hill is the Coordinator for this year's Oxford Symposium. She received her BA in English and Creative Writing from Augustana College, where she minored in Religion. Post-graduation, she worked on international conferences on a wide range of subjects and is now the Associate Editor for the *Journal of Education Finance*.

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