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General Conference Information

General Sessions, Panels, & Keynote
Room 130

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Poster Sessions

Posters will be available throughout the conference in the Banquet Room Lobby, 4th Floor. Poster Presenters will be available the last 30 minutes of lunch both days of the conference.

First Generation College Students Experiencing Study Abroad: A Collection of Common Themes From Travel Journal Entries
Karla Eidson, Sam Houston State University

Refugees as English Language Learners: Issues, Concerns, & Solutions
Sekineh Naisiri, Ana Marcela Montenegro Sanchez, & Slimane Aboulkacem,
Sam Houston State University

Sun Powered Dehydrators for the Developing World: A Student-Led Project Addressing Food Preservation as an Aspect of Global Food Insecurity
Taya Brown, Texas A&M University

The Dissemination of News & Information to Farmers After the End of Armed Conflict in Mali: An Assessment
Assoumane A. Maiga, Craig Edwards, Marshall A. Baker, Dwayne Cartmell II, & Joel M. Jansword, Oklahoma State University

What do Aspiring Young Entrepreneurs in Nicaragua Recognize as Business Opportunities? Using Photovoice as Data Collection Tool
Jose M. Uscanga, Paul Sanchez-Ruiz, Craig E. Watters, & M. Craig Edwards,
Oklahoma State University

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Thursday, March 3, 2016

8:00 – 9:00 AM – **Registration Available**

8:00 – 9:00 AM – **Breakfast Available**



8:45 AM – 9:00 AM – Conference Welcome

Dr. Stacey Edmonson, Dean College of Education
Dr. Jim Hynes, Director, Center for International Education

9:00 AM – 10:00 AM – Keynote Address

Maouloud Ben Katra

General Secretary of the Teachers Union of Mali
(Syndicat National de l'éducation et de la culture)

Dr. Assoumane Alhassane Maiga (Interpreter), Oklahoma State University

10:15 AM – 11:15 AM – Session 1

An Exploration of Institutional Factors Affecting Student Satisfaction in Higher Education: An International Study
Nara Martirosyan,
Patrick Saxon, & Barbara Polnick
Sam Houston State University

Global Citizens, Locally Minded: Cultivating Student Community Through a Small Scale German Conversation and Culture Club
Ervin Malakaj, Sarah Bivens, Virginia Frost, & Sara Gollogly,
Sam Houston State University

11:30 AM – 12:30 PM – Session 2

Due Diligence: A New Cultural Experience in Turkey
Aylin Ozgur Ates,
Ankara University

Teaching in China: How New Strategies Fit to Traditional Chinese Education
Andrey Koptelov, Chi-Sing Li, & Rebecca Wentworth,
Sam Houston State University

Teaching the Cultures of the Middle East Through Films
Samar Zahrawi,
Sam Houston State University

12:30 PM – 1:30 PM – Lunch & Poster Sessions

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1:45 PM – 2:30 PM – Panel Discussion 1

My Favorite Lesson: Pirates and Piñatas – Teaching about Culture or Perpetuating Stereotypes?
Karla Eidson
Sam Houston State University

My Favorite Lesson: Paired, Oral Reaction, & Dialogues (PORDs) with Supporting Annotated Bibliographies
M. Craig Edwards & Assoumane A. Maiga, Stephen C. Mukembo, Jose M. Uscanga, & Christopher A. Thomas,
Oklahoma State University

2:45 PM – 3:45 PM – Session 3

Constructivism in Multicultural Education
Katlin Keppler,
Texas A&M University

Different Doesn't Mean Wrong: Teacher Candidates in the United States and South Africa Participate in an Online Study Abroad Exchange
Benita Brooks, Nancy K. Votteler, Jamal Wortham, & Elizabeth Bumpus,
Sam Houston State University

Experiences of Mainstream Preservice Teachers Teaching English as a Foreign Language in a Global Context
Burcu Ates & Helen Berg,
Sam Houston State University

4:00 – 4:45 PM – Panel Discussion 2

Preparing for 2030: Exploring Higher Education Competencies for 21st Century Agriculture Curricula

Gary Briers, Texas A&M University
Glen Shinn, Texas A&M University
Stacey L. Edmonson, Sam Houston State University
Debra P. Price, Sam Houston State University
Hannah Gerber, Sam Houston State University
Andrey Koptelov, Sam Houston State University

5:30 PM – Dinner at Benihana

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Dinner is included in conference registration. Please join us for this evening of networking and conversation.

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Friday, March 4, 2016



8:00 – 9:00 AM – **Registration Available**

8:00 – 9:00 AM – **Breakfast Available**

8:45 AM – 9:00 AM – Day 2 Opening & Poetry Reading

Paul Rufin, Poet Laureate, Sam Houston State University

9:00 AM – 9:45 AM – Panel Discussion 3

Language Heritage Learners: Theoretical and Pedagogical Perspectives

M. Montserrat Feu Lopez, Sam Houston State University

Marta Fairclough, University of Houston

Leif French, Sam Houston State University

10:00 AM – 11:00 AM – Session 4

Struggles, Coping Strategies, & Victories of Selected Asian International Students Enrolled in a Tier II University in Rural Texas

Eunjin Hwang, George Moore, Rebecca Bustamante, & Nara Mairtrosyan
Sam Houston State University

Internship with the Foreign Agricultural Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture: Lessons Learned by a Graduate Student

Karyssa Zavala,
Texas A&M University

11:15 AM – 12:15 PM – Session 5

Religious & Cultural Clashes in the Modern World: Understanding Latent Issues of Middle Eastern Wives

Shiva Thompson, Manuel Piña Jr., & Silva Hamie,
Texas A&M University

Insight to Development Needs Through Home Gardening & Photography

Diana S. Juarez & Manuel Piña Jr.
Texas A&M University

Using ELMs to Promote International Development

Katlin Keppler,
Texas A&M University

12:15 PM – 1:15 PM – Lunch & Poster Sessions

4th Floor Banquet Room

1:30 PM – 2:15 PM – Panel Discussion 4

Education & the Arab Spring: Resistance, Reform, & Democracy

Hannah Gerber, Slimane Aboukacem, Nahed

Abdelrahman, Beverly J. Irby, & Hyun J. Ha

Sam Houston State University

2:30 PM – 3:30 PM – Session 6

A Competencies Framework for Graduate Students in Agricultural Development Programs

Audie L. Cherry, Gary E. Briers, & Manuel Piña Jr.,
Texas A&M University

Competencies Needed in the International Agricultural Development Community

Jolene Kollman & Manuel Piña Jr.,
Texas A&M University

3:45 PM – 4:45 PM – Session 7

Logical Arrangement of Topics in the High School Geometry Curriculum: An International Comparison

Alexander Mironychev, Challenge Early High School

Development of Occupational and Life Satisfaction Scale for Guidance Counselors

Irene G. Bustos,
Central Luzon State University

Enhancing University STEM Students' Understanding of Sustainability Through an International Experience in Bucaramanga, Columbia

Sandra Labby,
Texas A&M University
Texarkana



KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Mauoloud Ben Katra

General Secretary of the Teachers Union of Mali
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Education in Post-Conflict Mali



In this keynote address, Mauoloud Ben Katra will discuss the challenges and opportunities of education in post-conflict Mali. He will share his story and experiences in confronting challenges of bringing back education to a country wrought by Civil War.

We are honored and grateful that Mr. Katra will share his insights, knowledge, and vision for education in a country attempting to redefine the role of education.

Special thanks to Dr. Assoumane Albassane Maiga for translation.

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