

Symposium Program: "Learning, Teaching, and Social Justice in Higher Education"

Date: Wednesday 18 November

Venue: ACU, Melbourne (Christ and Mercy Theatres and the ACU Gallery)

<p>9am Welcome: Professor Margot Hillel OAM. Acknowledgement of Country: Ms. Naomi Wolfe</p>		
<p>Session One: 9.15 -10.45</p>		
<p>Mercy Lecture Theatre</p>	<p>Christ Lecture Theatre</p>	<p>ACU Gallery</p>
<p>Learning From Overseas and Overseas Students in Australia</p> <p>Iris Dumenden, (La Trobe University) 'How hard is it to get into university when you are a refugee student?</p> <p>Ms Digna Adonis, (ACU) '<i>Trails to get there: Indigenous Filipino Experience of Coping with Learning and Teaching in a Higher Education Setting.</i>'</p> <p>Jo Williams (Victoria University) 'The University as community hub and social change agent: the example of the Bolivarian University of Venezuela.'</p> <p>Chair: Dr Tracey Sanders</p>	<p>Embedding Social Justice in Assessment Tasks and Curriculum</p> <p>A/Prof. Baden Offord (Co-director, Centre for Peace and Social Justice, Southern Cross University) Dr Rob Garbutt (SCU) and Mr Soenke Biermann (SCU) 'Cultural Studies in Action: Socially inclusive pedagogy and higher education equity projects.'</p> <p>Drs Kym Fraser, Noah Riseman and Ellen Warne, (ACU, Melbourne) 'Embedding concepts on social justice in diverse curricula'.</p> <p>Dr Leigh Wood (Associate Dean Teaching and Learning), Michelle Muchatuta (Equity and Diversity Officer), Anna Rowe, (all Macquarie University) 'Inclusive practice in higher education: feedback that breaks barriers.'</p> <p>Chair: Assoc-Prof Theda Thomas</p>	<p>Educating for Change: Indigenous and Post-Colonial Australia</p> <p>Ms Wendy Nolan, Dr Jillene Harris and Dr Barbara Hill (Charles Sturt University) 'Reconciliation and Social Justice: The Role of Australian Universities in Educating for Change'.</p> <p>Dr Carolyn Masel (ACU Melbourne) 'Teaching "Dorothy's Skin"'. Ms Davina Woods (Moondani Balluk Indigenous Academic Unit), Dr Bill Eckersly (Access and Success) and Ms Claire Kelly (all Victoria University) 'Teaching teachers to teach about Indigenous Australia'</p> <p>Chair: Prof Margot Hillel</p>
<p>Morning Tea: 10.45- 11am.</p>		

Session Two: 11am- 12.30pm		
Mercy Lecture Theatre	Christ Lecture Theatre	ACU Gallery
<p>International Outreach and Transnational Education</p> <p>Prof Pam Gibbons, (Dean Internationalisation ACU), 'Australian Catholic University Transnational Education: A Social Justice Approach'</p> <p>Mr Duncan MacLaren (Refugee Program on the Thai-Burma Border, ACU) release of findings of the faculty funded project 'Tertiary Education for Refugees in Pursuit of the Common Good: the Thai-Burma Experience'.</p> <p>Prof Maev O'Collins (ACU, Canberra) 'The role of Australian universities in the development of tertiary education in the South Pacific: past, present and future contributions to nation-building.'</p> <p>Chair: Dr Joel Hodge</p>	<p>Access to Higher Education</p> <p>Mr James H Cook, (ACU Brisbane) 'A Difference To Be Shared: Senior Adult Learners at University'</p> <p>Ms Julie Willems, (Monash University) 'Towards a Multi-dimensional Indicator to Understand Equity in Education: Introducing the Equity Raw-Score Matrix'</p> <p>Bill Eckersley, Merryn Davies, Tony Edwards, Natalie Vernuccio, Bert van Halen and Jo Williams (Victoria University) 'Access and Success: Not Just a Dream!'</p> <p>Chair: Dr Sue Rechter</p>	<p>Teaching Indigenous Studies</p> <p>Mr Soenke Bierman (Southern Cross University) 'Decolonising Pedagogical Practice'</p> <p>Dr Jo Caffery (ACU, Canberra) 'Social, cultural and educational factors that affect Indigenous adult education in remote communities: From an Indigenous grassroots perspective.'</p> <p>Panel Discussion: 'Teaching Indigenous Studies to a Compulsory Audience'</p> <p>Discussants: Dr Noah Riseman (ACU, Melbourne) Ms Naomi Wolfe (Jim-baa-yer Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Unit, ACU) Ms Davina Woods (Moondani Balluk Indigenous Academic Unit, Victoria University) Mr Soenke Bierman (Southern Cross University) Dr Jo Caffery (ACU, Canberra)</p> <p>Chair: Dr Caz Masel</p>
Lunch 12.30-1.15pm		

Session Three: 1.15pm- 3pm		
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<p>Theorising Social Justice Debates, Education and Learning</p> <p>Dr Sue Rechter (ACU) ‘Cultivating Social Justice’</p> <p>Prof Spencer Zifcak (Allan Myers Chair in Law; Director, Institute of Legal Studies, ACU Melbourne) ‘The human rights debate in Australia’</p> <p>Dr Ellen Warne (ACU) ‘Social imperative or socialist menace? Historical attempts to educate adults on social justice issues’.</p> <p>Chair: Prof Shurlee Swain</p>	<p>Making ethical issues authentic and dynamic, in Business and Management classes.</p> <p>Assoc-Prof Theda Thomas (SAS Dean of Teaching and Learning, ACU), and Mary Ahyick, (ACU Melbourne), ‘Teaching Ethics: Is it worth it?’</p> <p>Dr Fernanda Duarte, (University of Western Sydney) ‘Addressing Student Cynicism Through Transformative Learning: Reflections by a Management Lecturer.’</p> <p>Mr Sebastian Krook, (ACU, North Sydney) ‘Boring Business Ethics: a need for postmodernisation?’</p> <p>Chair: Mr James Cook</p>	<p>Reaching Out: Community Engagement and Higher Education</p> <p>Ms Mary Campbell, (Institute for Advancing Community Engagement ACU, Melbourne) ‘Overcoming barriers: programs that integrate client needs with educational opportunities’</p> <p>Prof Ruth Webber and Dr Kate Jones (Quality of Life and Social Justice Research Centre, ACU, Melbourne) ‘Third Stream Activities at a Boutique University’.</p> <p>Dr Tracey Sanders, (ACU Brisbane) ‘The use of ‘applied theatre’ for transformation in student learning and community engagement and outreach.’</p> <p>Chairs: Dr Kathy Robinson & Dr Noah Riseman</p>
Afternoon tea: 3pm- 3.15pm		

Session Four: 3.15-5pm.	
Mercy Lecture Theatre	Christ Lecture Theatre
<p>Meeting Students' Needs</p> <p>Dr. Kathy Robinson, Dr. Fiona Ballard, Dr. Pre de Silva, Ms. Lynne Hendrick, Dr. Mary MacGibbon, Mr. Hemant Mehta, Dr. Abdur Rouf, (ACU NSW) 'Academic guided peer support for struggling first year students'.</p> <p>Mr Zachariah Duke, (ACU SCA Treasurer NSW) 'More than an academic experience!'</p> <p>Mr Hemant Mehta and Dr Kathy Robinson, (ACU NSW) 'Male nursing students' expectations, experiences and social justice issues'.</p> <p>Chair: Ms Laurine Hurley (ACU)</p>	<p>Schools, Catholicism and Social Justice</p> <p>Ms Helen Butler (ACU Melbourne) and Maria Minto-Cahill (Catholic Education Office), 'Social Justice in Inclusive Schools: A Partnership between higher education and school communities'.</p> <p>A/Prof Kath Engebretson (School of Religious Education, ACU Melbourne) 'Why social justice in Catholic higher education? Beyond "niceness"'. </p> <p>A/Prof Joseph Zajda (ACU Melbourne) 'Globalisation, Education and Social Justice'.</p> <p>Chair: Ms Julie Willems (Monash University)</p>