This is a free event open to all Ball State students, faculty, staff, alumni, and friends.
Welcome

Dear Colleagues, Alumni, Students, and Friends of Ball State,

Teachers College is delighted to host Global Connections as part of our Centennial celebration. During this daylong event, you will have the opportunity to connect with faculty, alumni, and current students who have engaged in a wide variety of activities around the world.

The conference title, Global Connections, has been specifically selected to highlight the connections Teachers College has around the world, including our 15-year partnership with the Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA). You will also have the opportunity to attend sessions describing our connection with the European Teacher Education Network, work bringing educational reform to war-torn Pakistan and Afghanistan, and our extensive work in the African continent, just to name a few.

Throughout the day’s events, the Music Lounge will serve as a gathering spot where you will have the opportunity to reconnect with former classmates and meet new friends.

I especially hope that you will join us later in the afternoon for our featured session describing our Germany Student Teaching program followed immediately by the keynote address by Dr. Linda Curtis, Principal Deputy Director and Associate Director of Academics of the Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA). A reception will be held afterwards.

Thanks to all the presenters and to Dr. Curtis and her staff for being a part of this very special event.

Interim Dean Roy Weaver
## Overview of Events

**Time** | **Activity** | **Location**
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8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. | Registration and Meet & Greet | Music Lounge

| 9:00 a.m.-11:45 p.m. | **FEATURED DODEA SESSIONS** |
| 10:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. | **SESSION 1** |
| 10:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. | **BREAK** |
| 11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. | **SESSION 2** |
| 11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. | **BREAK** |
| 1:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m. | **SESSION 3** |
| 1:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. | **BREAK** |
| 2:00 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. | **SESSION 4** |
| 2:45 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. | **BREAK** |
| 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. | Germany Student Teaching | Recital Hall
| 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. | Keynote Address | Recital Hall
| 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. | Reception | Recital Hall Foyer

### Featured DODEA Sessions

- History of Ball State University and DoDEA Relationship & Overview of DoDEA
- Working Overseas with DoDEA
- Opportunities and How to Apply for DoDEA Jobs and Student Teaching
- Using Virtual Platforms to Facilitate Cultural Exchange (part 1)
- Community-Engaged Teacher Preparation and the Development of Culturally Responsive Teachers
- Counteracting Stereotypic Representations of American Indians
- Ethiopia Linkages Project
- Re-imagining Education in the African Context
- Using Virtual Platforms to Facilitate Cultural Exchange (part 2)
- 2016 Summer Dance Showcase Hawaii
- Russian Exchange
- Ball State University and U.S. Department’s Pan-African Youth Leadership Program
- Building Partnerships: Education Reform in Pakistan and Afghanistan
- Cultural Exchange Programs in the Elementary Years
- European Teacher Education Network (ETEN): Global Connections and Opportunities
- EDAC 698 Immersive Learning in Cultural Identities & Community Engagement
- Immersive Learning and Research Collaboration: Ball State-Kenya Partnership
- Leading Beautifully: A Two Continent Research Project
- Fifteen Years of Student Teaching in Germany: Where We Started to Where We are Now
- Innocents Abroad: Lessons Learned from Fourteen Years of Overseas High School “Hiking and History” Trips
- EDEL-C: Past, Present, and Future
- Exploring Partnership Opportunities in China

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**November 3, 2018**
Student Center Map

Second Floor

Third Floor
November 3, 2018
8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Information and Refreshments

**Music Lounge**

Please stop by the Music Lounge throughout the day for conference information and refreshments. This is a gathering spot during breaks or to meet friends and colleagues. Our Centennial Scholars will be in the lounge to assist you with your questions.

**FEATURED DODEA SESSIONS**

9:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.
1:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.

**Cardinal Hall B**

History of Ball State University and DoDEA Relationship and Overview of DoDEA

Presenters: Linda Curtis, DoDEA Principal Deputy Director and Associate Director for Academics; Sylvia Velez-Zuniga, HR Specialist, DoDEA Human Resources Division; Miles Shea, Principal, West Point Middle Schools; Interim Dean Roy Weaver, Teachers College, Ball State University; Phil Metcalf, AdvancED Lead Evaluator and member of the AdvancED Accreditation Commission; David Dixon, Emeritus Faculty, Ball State University.

Since 2003, Teachers College has had a student teaching relationship with DoDEA. Over 200 Ball State students have completed student teaching in Germany. How the relationship got started and an overview of DoDEA – what it is and what it does – will be presented.
Working Overseas with DoDEA

Presenters: Linda Curtis, DoDEA Principal Deputy Director and Associate Director for Academics; Sylvia Velez-Zuniga, HR Specialist, DoDEA Human Resources Division; Miles Shea, Principal, West Point Middle School; and Alison Pfeiffer, 4th grade teacher at Winding Ridge Elementary School in MSD of Lawrence Township.

Dr. Linda Curtis and staff from DoDEA will continue the discussion of DoDEA and what it’s like to teach with them. Two short videos will provide additional insight into DoDEA and a look inside DoDEA’s 21st century schools.

Opportunities and How to Apply for DoDEA Jobs and Student Teaching

Presenters: Linda Curtis, DoDEA Principal Deputy Director and Associate Director for Academics; Sylvia Velez-Zuniga, HR Specialist, DoDEA Human Resources Division; Miles Shea, Principal, West Point Middle Schools; Alison Pfeiffer, 4th grade teacher at Winding Ridge Elementary School in MSD of Lawrence Township.

Student teaching and working in DoDEA schools will be explored. Shortage areas, requirements, and benefits will be examined. How to apply will be demonstrated.
SESSION 1
10:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

**Cardinal Hall A**

Using Virtual Platforms to Facilitate Cultural Exchange (part 1)

Presenters: Jill Bradley-Levine, Assistant Professor of Educational Studies; Jan Miller, Project Manager of Stevens Initiative; Cheri Ellefson, Lecturer of Women’s and Gender Studies; Safwan Malasalah, Stevens Initiative Cultural Advisor

The Stevens Initiative at Ball State is a cultural exchange between students in the U.S. and Iraq that uses technology to facilitate virtual interaction. BSU has partnered with five universities in Iraq, as well as Ivy Tech Community College, Anderson University, and the University of Wyoming to provide online learning modules based on science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) themes. This presentation will describe the project, and suggest best practices for virtual exchange in K-12 and higher education settings.

**Cardinal Hall C**

Community-Engaged Teacher Preparation and the Development of Culturally Responsive Teachers

Presenter: Eva Zygmunt, Professor of Early Childhood, Youth, and Family Studies

This presentation will highlight the 10-year history of the nationally award-winning Schools Within the Context of Community Program (SCC). Begun in 2009, the SCC program immerses future teachers in the Whitely neighborhood of Muncie, where they simultaneously practice teach in schools and participate in community mobilization efforts.
alongside neighborhood members and mentors. The program is grounded in privileging community cultural wealth and funds of knowledge in the education of neighborhood children, and in the development of culturally responsive, equity-focused, socially-just future teachers.

**Forum Room**

**Counteracting Stereotypic Representations of American Indians**

Presenters: Jerrell C. Cassady, Chairperson of the Department of Educational Psychology; Joshua A. Heath, Doctoral student

Even though serving a diverse populous, U.S. educational curricula are dominated by persistent Eurocentric narratives of the majority culture, casting a long shadow over multiculturalist attempts to promote a just and inclusive society. To promote understanding and disrupt perpetuations of stereotypes, all aspects of educational policy and practice require examination and revision to reflect the perspectives, cultures, and histories of underrepresented people. This presentation will present research conducted by the Research Design Studio examining the efficacy of the Smithsonian’s National Museum of the American Indian’s “NK360° Initiative,” which provides culturally accurate and appropriate content for use in schools.

**SC 307**

**Ethiopia Linkages Project**

Presenter: Ruby Cain, Associate Professor of Practice and Advisor of Adult and Community Education

In 2014-15 Ball State University received U.S.-Ethiopian University Linkage Seed Grant to create a mutually beneficial professional and cultural linkage and long-term partnership with Wollo University, located in Dessie, Ethiopia. The project consisted of technology needs assessment, review, assessment, and recommendations for higher education admin-
istration, introduction to international organizations, and introductory training sessions in language learning theory, research methodology, teaching methodology, language development assessment, curriculum design, etc. This presentation will include project activities and lessons learned.

**SC 310**

**Re-imagining Education in the African Context**

Presenters: Tom McConnell, Associate Professor of Biology; Tere-sia Mbo-gori, Assistant Professor of Nutrition and Dietetics; Winnie Mucherah, Professor of Developmental Psychology; Michael Ndema- nu, Assistant Professor of Multicultural Education

The panelists will discuss the projects which were presented at the World Conference on Transformative Education in July 2018 in Kenya. The conference provided opportunities for Ball State faculty to partner with educators across Africa to collaborate on projects related to transformative education. This presentation will cover topics such as: developing problem-based learning science, Westernization of African diets, understanding child development and related research from an African context, and reconfiguring classroom spaces in P-12 public schools. The purpose of the panel is to share the contribution of Ball State University’s Teachers College to high-quality knowledge production at the international level.

10:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

**BREAK**
SESSION 2

11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Cardinal Hall A

Using Virtual Platforms to Facilitate Cultural Exchange (part 2)

Presenters: Jill Bradley-Levine, Assistant Professor of Educational Studies; Jan Miller, Project Manager of Stevens Initiative; Cheri Ellefson, Lecturer of Women’s and Gender Studies; Safwan Malasalih, Stevens Initiative Cultural Advisor

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Cardinal Hall C

2016 Summer Dance Showcase Hawaii

Presenter: Lamaiya Lancaster, Graduate Student, Educational Studies

This presentation will discuss the creation, implementation and evaluation of an Adult and Community Education Internship that provided the opportunity for community development, youth development and the preservation and advancement of heritage, cultural vitality and diversity through a collaboration with a community college in Hawaii, by creating and administering community based arts events and programs, utilizing
unique and accessible performance spaces, fostering collaborative relationships/partnerships (college, performance artists, and community) with community engagement in the arts. The 2016 Summer Dance Showcase Hawaii offered a performance opportunity to local professional artists, college students and community members interested in dance and dance performance, in addition to offering dance workshops in Ballet, American Tribal Style (ATS) Belly Dancing, Hula, Improvisation and Urban Modern Dance taught by performers.

Forum Room

Russian Exchange

Presenters: Don Park, Former Vice President of University Advancement; David Dixon, Emeritus Faculty; Sharon Paulson, Professor of Psychology Educational Psychology

In the mid-1990s, faculty and administrators participated in an exchange program with educators from Khanty-Mansiysk, Western Siberia. Preliminary planning visits were held in 1994 and a Russian-American International Seminar on “Pedagogical Strategies in At-Risk Students’ Education,” in Moscow. The following year educators from Khanty-Mansiysk visited Ball State University. The development of this relationship and outcomes will be discussed.
Ball State University and U.S. Department’s Pan-African Youth Leadership Program

Presenters: Michael Ndemanu, Assistant Professor of Multicultural Education; Ruby Cain, Associate Professor of Practice and Advisor of Adult and Community; Janice Miller, Project Manager of Stevens Initiative

Ball State University has been an implementing partner of the Pan-African Youth Leadership Program (PAYLP) that is funded by the U.S. State Department. The program brings academically talented high school students from different countries of Africa to the U.S. for three weeks to increase their understanding of the United States, leadership skills, social entrepreneurship, community development skills, and civic engagement skills. This presentation will discuss how the core objectives of the PAYLP program are met as well as the transformative impact of the program on the lives of the participants, their communities and their respective countries.

11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

LUNCH

Enjoy lunch with your friends and colleagues at one of the many restaurants and venues on or near campus. The Village is only a block from the Student Center and offers a variety of restaurants or visit the Tally, located on main floor of Student Center.
SESSION 3
1:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.

Cardinal Hall A
Building Partnerships: Education Reform in Pakistan and Afghanistan

Presenters: David J. Roof, Associate Professor of Educational Studies; Janice Miller, Project Manager of Stevens Initiative

This presentation will examine work in Pakistan and Afghanistan, including a recently funded project, in which Ball State will host a cohort of 12 Afghan junior faculty members for a 10-week professional development program in India. The project intends to equip the twelve Afghan junior faculty members with the professional tools needed to build success in their ten-week program as well as build capability to replicate success at their home universities. The presentation will highlight Ball State connections in Afghanistan and the long-term academic and professional relationships being formed, as well as examining how partnerships like this need coordination to leverage support and networks.

Cardinal Hall C
Cultural Exchange Programs in the Elementary Years

Presenters: Vince Edwards, Burris Assistant Principal; Dawn Miller, Burris Principal

There are very few cultural exchange programs in the America’s elementary schools that involve international travel. For over 20+ years, Burris Laboratory School elementary students and Japanese students from Okasaki Primary School have visited each other experiencing the art, music, history and landmarks of each other’s country. Vince Edwards and Dawn Miller will share highlights of recent trips along with information on how the exchange is managed to ensure the safety and security.
of students while traveling to and staying with host families from another country.

Forum Room

European Teacher Education Network (ETEN): Global Connections and Opportunities

Presenter: Scott Popplewell, Assistant Professor of Elementary Education

The European Teacher Education Network (ETEN) was founded in 1988 for the purpose of promoting cooperation, exchanges, research, and publications for universities and institutions engaged in education. Today, there are over 60 member institutions in 21 countries, including the United States. This presentation provides an overview of ETEN and describes possibilities for research, publications, faculty and student exchanges. Information will be provided about exchanges and possible research opportunities with universities in Belgium, Taiwan, Spain, Portugal, the Czech Republic and others. Information will also be distributed about the upcoming conference in Vic, Spain in April 2019.

SC 307

EDAC 698 Immersive Learning in Cultural Identities and Community Engagement

Presenters: Ruby Cain, Associate Professor of Practice and Advisor of Adult and Community Education; John Anderson, Instructor of Sociology and Doctoral Student; Byron Ballard, Graduate Student; Sherry Bryant, Doctoral Student; Monique Glaspie, Doctoral Student; Molly McGuire, Doctoral Student; Tammy Underwood, Graduate Student

EDAC 698 Cultural Identities and Community Engagement, an immersive learning graduate course, has been offered to foster student discussion on historical implications of racism in America; explore the
intersectionality of cultural identities; discover family histories global connection, and analyze positionality of race in their ancestry; and promote community involvement via co-development and co-implementation of projects with community stakeholders. The course is constructed from curriculum developed in the community program: It is Well With My Soul and projects have been executed in Muncie, Indianapolis, South Bend, Fort Wayne, and Kokomo. Presentation will include student and community partner testimonials and evaluation results.

**SC 310**

**Immersive Learning and Research Collaboration: Ball State-Kenya Partnership**

Presenters: Winnie Mucherah, Professor of Psychology Educational Psychology; Becci Brey, Professor of Nutrition and Health Science; Melinda Messineo, Interim Associate Vice President for Diversity, and Interim Director of the Office of Institutional Diversity

The presentation will be on the Immersive learning from an African context program that includes BSU students and faculty visiting Kenya during the summer. It also will detail some of the major research projects and activities that have occurred since the MOU was signed in 2007 between BSU and two universities in Kenya (Moi and MMUST). Finally the presentation will document activities such as provision of school uniforms, school supplies, medicine and sanitary pads to a primary school, including the construction of a school library and the purchase of a school farm to provide lunch to all the students.

1:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

BREAK
Leading Beautifully: A Two Continent Research Project

Presenter: Fenwick English, Chairperson of the Department of Educational Leadership and Professor of Educational Leadership

This is a presentation of a research project on leadership conducted in Australia and America over a three-year period. The data collected on leaders in the arts and education led to the establishment of a “leader connoisseur”, one who is an expert on judging leaders and who may also be an outstanding leader. Five educators who were international connoisseurs were John Dewey, Jacob Riis, Paulo Friere, Maria Montessori and Tsunesaburo Makiguchi. The ten dimensions on which they were identified will be part of the presentation.

Fifteen Years of Student Teaching in Germany: Where We Started to Where We are Now

Presenters: Linda Taylor, Coordinator of International Student Teaching Experiences; Melinda Schoenfeldt, Emeritus Faculty; Penny Craig, Former Germany Student Teaching Supervisor

The panel will discuss the history of how the program came into being as well as stories and experiences from the first few semesters of the program. A timeline of changes that have occurred over the years will be shared that will lead into the current status of the program today. Faculty members will share their semester-long experiences with students, what they observed in the students over time, and goals for the future of the program.
In his best-selling The Innocents Abroad (1869) – the record of an extended overseas excursion by a group of wealthy but naïve Americans – Mark Twain noted that “travel is fatal to prejudice, bigotry, and narrowmindedness.” Those sentiments are still true in the 21st century. The presenters will share their experiences organizing and leading ambitious high school trips overseas, from the jungles of Costa Rica to the fjords of Norway, and the rocky coast of Ireland to the beaches of Australia. What, exactly, do young people on these trips learn about themselves and the world, by participating in challenging overseas trips?

**Forum Room**

EDEL-O: Past, Present, and Future

Presenters: Kristin Cipollone, Assistant Professor of Elementary Education; Scott Popplewell, Assistant Professor of Elementary Education

This presentation will provide an overview of the EDEL-O program, highlighting its history and new directions. Founded in 1972, EDEL-O is based on the belief that international teaching and travel experiences are critical to preservice teachers’ professional development. EDEL-O is designed to provide students with the opportunity to immerse themselves in British culture while also completing a practicum in a British primary school. We invite past participants to come and share their experiences and learn about how the program has grown over the years. We also invite students and faculty interested in participating to come and learn more.
SC 310

Exploring Partnership Opportunities in China

Presenters: David McIntosh, Department Chair of Special Education; Susan Wilczynski, Plassman Family Distinguished Professor of Special Education and Applied Behavior Analysis; Shannon Dieringer, Associate Professor of Special Education; Feng Lou, Assistant Professor of ESL, Intensive English Institute; Roy Weaver, Interim Dean, Teachers College.

Between September 7 and September 22, 2018, a Teachers College team visited universities, schools, and private organizations in China, with the primary purpose of understanding the extent of training and service provision being provided in the area of autism and applied behavior analysis. We sought to explore partnership opportunities – exchanges, student recruitment, research, and professional development. Visits made and opportunities discovered will be shared.

2:45 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

BREAK
FEATURED SESSION

3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Recital Hall
(Located in the Fine Arts Building)

Germany Student Teaching

Presenters: Linda Curtis, DoDEA Principal Deputy Director and Associate Director for Academics; Interim Dean Roy Weaver, Teachers College, Ball State University; Phil Metcalf, AdvancED Lead Evaluator and member of the AdvancED Accreditation Commission; David Dixon, Emeritus Faculty.

The origins of the Ball State’s Germany student teaching program will be discussed. Leaders from its development in 2003 will provide an overview of how it began.
KEYNOTE ADDRESS

4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Recital Hall
(Located in the Fine Arts Building)

Teaching Around the World

Dr. Linda Curtis

Dr. Linda Curtis, Principal Deputy Director and Associate Director of Academics of the Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA), is responsible for the instructional and educational programs in DoDEA’s 166 schools and over 72,000 military connected students worldwide, including schools in Ramstein, Germany where Teachers College has a long-standing student teaching program.

RECEPTION

5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Recital Hall Foyer
(Located in the Fine Arts Building)
SC = L.A. Pittenger Student Center
2000 W University Ave
Muncie, IN

AR = Fine Arts Building
2021 W Riverside Ave
Muncie, IN
Thank you for participating in this Teachers College Centennial Event. We hope you can join us again during our celebration of 100 years of excellence.

Teachers College Centennial Event Schedule
(At a Glance)

November

6th - Indiana Academy Films with David Haynes
Pruis Hall, 7:00 p.m.

17th - Schools Within the Context of Community Reunion
Student Center Ballroom, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

29th - Indiana Academy Films with Denis Hennelly
Pruis Hall, 7:00 p.m.

December

6th - Indiana Academy Films with Andie Redwine
Pruis Hall, 7:00 p.m.

8th - Tours of Burris
Burris Laboratory School, 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

8th - Celebration of Burris Athletics
Ball Gym, 2:00 p.m.

9th - Angelin Chang Performance
Emens Auditorium, 2:00 p.m.

12th - Vince Bertram
Recital Hall, Fine Arts Building, 7:00 p.m.

13th - Shirley Brice Heath
Recital Hall, Fine Arts Building, 7:00 p.m.
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