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RE-ENVISIONING EDUCATION IN THE 21ST CENTURY

February 22, 2025 8:30 AM - 2:00 PM

American University, Spring Valley Campus 4801 Massachusetts Ave, NW, Washington, D.C.











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PANEL 1: ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

Voices from the rubble: reflections of a short-term study abroad experience embarked by Japanese university students affected by natural disasters

Kay Izumihara, George Washington University

Sustainability, Food Security and Climate Change Education: Impactful Narratives From Kenyan Youth Climate Change Activists

Emmanuel Wanjala, University of Maryland**

Bridging Worlds, Healing Scars: A Student-Teacher Journey Toward Climate-Just Education

Maha Shoaib & Sarah Kistner, University of Maryland

PANEL 2: INCLUSIVE EDUCATION: GENDER & DISABILITY

The Girls of Pakistan-Continuing Malala's Fight

Danielle Black, George Washington University

Indonesian Students' Perception of the University Administration's Role in Prevention and Handling of GBV Cases

Fransiska Silitonga, University of Maryland

From Disability To Embodied Biodiversity: analyzing international inclusive education policy processes in Kenya

Maegan Shanks, American University

USAID and inclusive education in international development: How do we reconcile with educational systems that 'rest on a eugenics premise' and White supremacy?

Eden Rivera, University of Maryland**

PANEL 3: LANGUAGE EDUCATION

Language Instructor training and preparation for youth immersion programs: A case study in Concordia Language's Arabic camp

Rose Giblin-Vance, American University

Exploring translanguaging in Uzbekistan's multilingual EFL classrooms

Dildora Khakimova, George Mason University**

English Imperialism and K-Learners: Investigating Language Education Discourses in South Korea

Makynzie Horvath, University of Maryland

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PANEL 4: RETHINKING INCLUSION: POWER, POLICY, & TEACHER AGENCY IN REFUGEE EDUCATION

Supporting When Not Supported: Policy Inconsistencies and Teachers' Coping Mechanisms in Refugee Education in Uganda

Pascal Pax Andebo, University of Maryland

The Paradox of Inclusion: A Critical Policy Study of UNHCR's global refugee education strategy

Langan Courtney, University of Maryland**

Revisiting inclusion: An exploration of Refugee-led Education for Children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities in Lebanon

Elnaz Safarha, University of Maryland

PANEL 5: CURRICULUM DESIGN & PEDAGOGY

Family Engagement in International Early Childhood Education: Perspectives about the Global South

Gulzar Berdimuratova, American University**

Exploring the Application of the 21st Century Numeracy Model in Indonesia and Australia: A Comparative Analysis

Anton Surawi, Johns Hopkins University

From Individualism and Competition to Cooperation and Solidarity: Can School Change this Paradigm?

Virginia Gomes, University of Maryland

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PANEL 6: CURRICULUM DESIGN & PEDAGOGY

Strengthening Diversity and Inclusion in Nepal's Education System

Prakriti Nepal, American University**

From Liverpool to Washington DC, closing the achievement gap with formative pedagogy and analogical reasoning.

Anitra Butler-Ngugi, George Washington University

For the Sake of Love, Justice, and Freedom: Resonating Indonesian Indigenous Pedagogy with Hooks' Engaged Pedagogy

Nathanael Pribady, Teachers College, Columbia University

Education for Whom? The Growing Contradictions Between Indonesian National and International Curricula

Grace Widodo, University of Maryland

PANEL 7: EDUCATION POLICIES FOR TEACHERS, TEACHING, & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Out of the Shadows: Addressing Widespread Supplementary Private Tutoring in Cambodia

Abigail Martin, George Washington University

Teacher Shortages and Unequal Teacher Distribution in Kenya: A policy analysis MaryAnn Chiu** & Michelle Eke, *George Washington University*

Transforming Discipline: Bridging Policy and Practice to End Corporal Punishment in Pakistan's Public Schools

Ayesha Tariq Shaikh, University of Maryland

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PANEL 8: EQUITY & EQUALITY IN ACCESS TO EDUCATION

Bridging the Gap: Addressing Inequality in DCPS Through Equity-Driven Funding Models Christina Heese, *American University*

Bridging the Educational Divide: Enhancing Rural Access to Quality Education in Ghana Joyce Arthur, *University of Maryland*

Perceived Challenges and Opportunities in Schooling: Experiences of North Korean-Background Students in South Korea

Doo Rhee Lee, George Washington University***

PANEL 9: EDUCATION POLICY IN INTERNATIONAL CONTEXTS

A Mincerian Argument for Vocational Education

Richard Newsome, Georgetown University**

Response of International Higher Education to Al Challenge: China, Russia and Latin America

Anna Grigoreva, University of Maryland

The Fulbright Program: Challenges, Opportunities, and Directions

Anna Lytkina, University of Maryland

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PANEL 10: EDUCATION IN EMERGENCIES & CONFLICT-AFFECTED SETTINGS

Creating Conflict-Sensitive Curriculum in Liberia

Amaris Rancy, George Washington University

The Integration of Congolese Refugees in the National Education System of Rwanda Samwel Petro, *University of Maryland*

Education in Haiti: identifying actors, relationships, and hopes

Nicolas Alesso, University of Maryland**

University for Peace in Demilitarized Zone for Peace in the Korean Peninsula and East Asia: Focused on Goseong

Joe Kim, Jamie Marshall, Cathy Le & Wandee Tawinboon, *Teachers College, Columbia University*

PANEL 11: DEI, ADVOCACY, & CHANGE

Comparing the Relationship between History Education and Transitional Justice in the U.S. and Germany

Adriana Miralles-Barboza, American University

The Power of a Doctoral Candidate Cohort, with Podcasts

April Ege** & Abbey Jones, George Mason University

"A Generalized Silencing of Ideas": The Impact of 'Divisive Concepts' Legislation on Higher Education and International Education in Florida

Meagan O'Malley, George Washington University

The Triple and Reflection: How Visuals, Words, and Voices Promote Artistic and Academic Freedom

Lucie Vonau & Seungkyoo Han, New York University

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PANEL 12: INTERNATIONALIZATION OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Seeing the World Without Leaving Campus: Is Internationalization at Home Too Good to be True?

Claire Hardiman, George Washington University

A Critical Review of the Implementation and Effectiveness of Internationalized Curriculum: Perspectives of International Faculty and Students in US Higher Education Fidel Selvi, George Washington University***

Enhancing Global Competency: Strengthening Internationalization Strategies at George Washington University

Megan Blackman, George Washington University

More cultural than economic? A quantitative exploration of food insecurity among international students in Midwestern America

E. Caswell Eshun, University of Maryland

PANEL 13: MENTAL HEALTH & IDENTITIES IN EDUCATION

Navigating Futures: The Impact of Third Culture Kid (TCK) Upbringings on Higher Education and Career Choices

Mia Robinson, George Washington University**

Ethical Leadership to Prevent Suicide Among Students in Indonesian Schools Moch. Nurfahrul Lukmanul Khakim, *Ohio State University*

Mental Health Policy Reform in Finland Secondary Schools

Grace King, George Washington University