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26TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON
The First-Year Experience®

WAIKOLOA, HAWAII
JUNE 17-20, 2013

CO-HOSTED BY:
Artesis Plantijn University
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FIRST-YEAR EXPERIENCE® AND STUDENTS IN TRANSITION
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AN INVITATION

Despite the differences in educational climates and cultures around the globe, the similarity of experiences encountered by those working with first-year students guarantees rich and invigorating intellectual fare at the International Conference on The First-Year Experience. The conference structure is designed to allow participants to share their knowledge, maximize their learning, and network with colleagues. We invite you to join with educators from countries around the world as we gather to enhance and expand the first-year movement globally. Undergraduate and graduate students are also encouraged to attend and participate in conference sessions.

CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

➤ Preconference workshops for focused and extensive attention to specific topics of interest for first-year educators
➤ A conference structure designed to facilitate networking with educators from around the world through colleague clusters, special interest group sessions, roundtable discussions, and social events
➤ Featured session with representatives from first-year movements from around the globe
➤ Opportunities to learn about the varied cultures of world-wide higher education
➤ Commercial and non-profit exhibitors whose products and services support first-year student success
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PROPOSAL INFORMATION
Quality proposals that sufficiently and seriously address student transitions in the first year of higher or tertiary education are welcomed for review. Concurrent session, roundtable discussion, and poster session proposals are invited on topics addressing aspects of the first year of college or university study.

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The proposal deadline is March 11, 2013. Since the conference program must be finalized and presenters notified in time to provide preconference coordination, you are strongly encouraged to submit proposals as soon as possible. Visit our website at www.sc.edu/fye/ifye/proposal.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER
ROBERT A. KENEDY

Robert A. Kenedy is an associate professor in the Department of Sociology at York University, Canada where he has received four teaching awards as well as an award for his service to students. Kenedy has written articles about peer education, integrating critical thinking skills into courses, and the importance of supporting student learning through teaching partnerships. He has also been the guest editor of a special themed issue on peer education in the Journal of The First Year Experience® & Student Transition. Kenedy’s work examines cocurricular and curricular peer education, mentorship, and leadership, focusing on the academic and social contribution to the postsecondary transition. His research highlights integrating peer educators and leaders into courses and studying the impact they have on student learning. Kenedy specifically examines best practices for incorporating peer educators inside and outside the classroom as well as evaluating the pedagogical benefits for students in terms of writing, critical thinking, and other academic skills.

REGISTER BEFORE MAY 15, 2013
to receive the conference registration discount
WWW.SC.EDU/FYE/IFYE
Monday, June 17, 2013
Lunch is included with all preconference workshops.

W-1 ➤ Enhancing Learning Competences: Perspectives on Coaching Students’ Learning
Herman van de Mosselaer, Co-director, Educational Matters Department Head Education and Research, Central Services - Atesis Plantijn University College Antwerp - Belgium
8:00 AM – 12:00 NOON $135

W-2 ➤ Transitions Beyond The First Year: Implications For Curriculum Design, Student Support, And Success
Matthew Portas, University Teaching Fellow – Teesside University – United Kingdom; Jennifer R. Keup, Director, National Resource Center for The First-Year Experience and Students in Transition – University of South Carolina – United States
8:00 AM – 12:00 NOON $135

W-3 ➤ First-Year Seminar + Service-Learning + Learning Communities = First-Year (and Beyond) Success Magnified
Neal Haldane, Professor in Communication and Writing; Chris Benson, Associate Dean of Academic Advising and the First-Year Experience – Madonna University – United States
8:00 AM – 12:00 NOON $135

W-4 ➤ Best Practice in the First College Year Around the World: Defining What Works and Why
John N. Gardner, President - John N. Gardner Institute for Excellence in Undergraduate Education; Senior Fellow, National Resource Center for The First-Year Experience and Students in Transition - University of South Carolina – United States; Betsy O. Barefoot, Vice President and Senior Scholar - John N. Gardner Institute for Excellence in Undergraduate Education; Fellow, National Resource Center for The First-Year Experience and Students in Transition - University of South Carolina – United States
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM $245

W-5 ➤ Peer-Led Programs: Highlighting Best Practice Across Continents
Bryce Bunting, Program Administrator and Learning Specialist, College of Undergraduate Education – Brigham Young University – United States; Sally Rogn, Director of Student Support and Peer Learning – University of Wollongong – Australia; Melissa Zaccagnini, Peer Learning and Transition Manager, Associate Head of the National Centre for PASS – University of Wollongong – Australia
1:00 PM – 5:00 PM $135

W-6 ➤ Aligning Programming and Pedagogy for Integration of Student Learning Within and Beyond the Classroom
Pam Bowers, Associate Vice President for Planning, Assessment, and Innovation – University of South Carolina – United States; Matthew Portas, University Teaching Fellow – Teesside University – United Kingdom
1:00 PM – 5:00 PM $135

For more conference information visit www.sc.edu/fye/ifye
THE SETTING

Hawaii’s Big Island is one of the most remarkable places on Earth and provides the perfect backdrop for the International Conference. The island is home to the world’s most active volcano, Kilauea. Contrasting landscapes collide together for a breathtaking skyline, which includes the snow-clad Mauna Kea, the ever changing Kau Desert, stunning waterfalls, the lush Puna Fern Forest, and the colorful orchids of Hilo.

The west, or Kona, side of the island is dry and sunny – a nexus of activity with deep-sea fishing, quaint shops and restaurants, snorkeling, SCUBA diving, submarine underwater tours, hikes through thick rainforests, and horseback riding. On the east side, Waipio Valley is filled with brilliant flowers and breathtaking waterfalls. Tiny towns and highways built on old railroad trestle bridges recall the sugar plantation heritage of the Hamakua Coast.

TRAVEL INFORMATION

Conference Venue and Accommodations

HILTON WAIKOLOA VILLAGE
425 Waikoloa Beach Drive
Waikoloa, Hawaii 96738

ROOM RATE: $215 single/double occupancy plus tax; $265 triple occupancy plus tax
RESERVATIONS: (808) 886-1234 or 1-800-HILTONS
HOTEL RESERVATION DEADLINE: May 6, 2013

Make your reservations early. Once the room block is filled, we cannot guarantee the conference room rate will be available. Reservations must be made by May 6, 2013 to receive this special rate. After this date, reservations are accepted on a space available basis and may not be offered at the conference rate.

Airline Discounts

American Airlines is offering convention discount of 5% off the lowest applicable published airfare. To make a discount reservation, please call our Meeting Services Desk at 1-800-433-1790 from anywhere in the United States or Canada or go to www.AA.com and refer to Promotion Code 6663BU. The percentage discount applies to American Airlines and American Eagle flights only.

There will also be a separate ticketing charge of $25.00 USD for tickets purchased via the phone or $35.00 USD for tickets purchased at the airport. This amount is subject to change. At this time, there is no ticketing fee for reservations made and ticketed on www.aa.com/group.
UPCOMING EVENTS

Institute on Sophomore Student Success
April 12-14, 2013
Columbia, South Carolina
University of South Carolina Campus

20th National Conference on Students in Transition
October 19-21, 2013
Atlanta, Georgia

33rd Annual Conference on The First-Year Experience®
February 14-18, 2014
San Diego, California

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