

Message from the Director

Dear Conference Guests,

I am pleased to invite you to the fifth annual Educational Leadership Conference. The theme of the 2007 conference is "Education and Community in a Global Society."



As our world becomes a global village, the nature of schooling must change significantly. Classrooms are becoming increasingly diverse. Therefore, we need a curriculum to prepare students for a global world and pedagogical techniques to support diverse students' learning. We also expect educators to assume leadership roles in creating these necessary changes in classrooms, curriculum, and pedagogy.

To address these goals, this year's conference will feature relevant workshops and presentations that include international schools, race identity in a global society, social justice, the role of technology in a global classroom, and curriculum reform.

Thank you once again for being part of this wonderful endeavor. We appreciate your support of education. I look forward to seeing you in November.

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November 16th & 17th, 2007
Radisson Hotel
La Crosse, WI

Schedule of Events

Friday, November 16th

- 3:00-5:00pm** Conference Registration & Hotel Check-In
- 5:00pm** Welcome and Opening Presentation
Dr. Ahmed Ali
Director, CDCR
UW-La Crosse
- 5:15-7:00pm** Dinner and Keynote Address
Racial Identity in a Global Society
Dr. Timothy Lensmire
University of Minnesota
- 7:10-8:00pm** **A. Round Table Discussions: *Linking Yourself to the Global Community***
A. Ali, R. Baker, C. DePouw, B. Hartung & J. Shanks
- B. *Living Two Identities: Challenges and Opportunities for Youth Empowerment***
Vang Her, Vong Lao, Kabee Vue & Khou Xiong
UW-La Crosse
- 8:10-8:50pm** ***One School's Effort in Creating a Global Awareness***
Jane Morken
Principal
North Woods International Elementary School
- 9:00-9:45pm** The World on Stage: An Educational & Cultural Performance

Saturday, November 17th

- 7:30-8:00am** Registration/Continental Breakfast
- 8:00-8:30am** Welcome and Opening Presentation
Dr. Ahmed Ali
UW-La Crosse
- 8:30-9:15am** Keynote Address
Addressing Local and Global Issues in Education: Teachers Working Together for Change
Dr. Melissa Mosley
University of Texas-Austin
- 9:20-10:05am** **Session 1**
- A. *The Importance of Historical Context and Hmong American Education***
Dr. Christin DePouw
University of Notre Dame
- B. *School and Community Relations—Think Globally, Act Locally***
Dr. Mark Clark
UW-Eau Claire

- 10:05-10:15am** Break
- 10:15-11:00am** **Session 2**
- A. *Global Collaboration Projects for PK-16 Educators: Open the Door to New Friends from Faraway Places!***
Naomi Harm
Educational Technology Director
Cooperative Educational Service Agency #4
- B. *The Ancient Lessons: Storytelling in the Classroom***
Sara Slayton
Professional Storyteller
La Crosse, WI
- 11:05-11:25am** Conference Photographs
- 11:30-12:45pm** Lunch and Keynote Address
Education and New Immigrant and Refugee Communities in America: Past Lessons and New Possibilities for the 21st Century
Dr. Chia Youyee Vang
UW-Milwaukee
- 12:50-1:30pm** Teambuilding and Ice Breaker Exercises
Ge Vang
Office of Residence Life
UW-La Crosse
- 1:35-2:20pm** **Session 3**
- A. *Performance Based Education: From No Child Left Behind and PI-34 to Resume, Portfolio & PDP***
Dr. Joyce Shanks
UW-La Crosse
- B. *Accelerated Learning as a State of Mind (and Time!)***
Linda Loverude
Minneapolis School District
- 2:20-2:40pm** Break with Snacks (networking time)
- 2:40-3:25pm** **Session 4**
- A. *Building a Healthy Community in Your Classroom***
Mai Chao Duddeck
ELL Teacher, Central High School
La Crosse, WI
- B. *Diverse Strategies for Managing Your Diverse Classroom***
Dr. Jeanne Danneker, Josh Iverson & Megan Ness
Winona State University
- 3:30-4:00pm** Large Group (Evaluations & Announcements)
Closing Remark
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Buffalo State University