

2nd Annual Moyes College of Education International Education Symposium: International Service Learning

Friday, March 21, 2014, 12:30 – 4:00 p.m., McKay Education Building, Moench Room (016)

Co-Chairs: Paul L. Schvaneveldt, Ph.D., CFLE Child and Family Studies, and, Forrest Crawford, Ph.D., Teacher Education

12:30	Lunch
1:00	Welcome and introductions. Paul L. Schvaneveldt, Ph.D., CFLE, Symposium Co-Chair
1:10 – 2:00	Rex E. Head MD, Director and Founder, Orphanage Support Service Organization. <i>Prepare to Serve by Inspecting Your Cultural Baggage.</i> Some would suggest leaving our cultural baggage home when we serve internationally. That is impossible. Instead, inspect what is packed in those bags. Some will be essential to your service. Some will need to have holes mended. Some will be left behind as you return, making space for new life changing acquisitions.
2:00 – 2:30	Paul L. Schvaneveldt, Ph.D., CFLE, Professor and Chair, Child and Family Studies, Weber State University <i>The Impact of International Humanitarian Service Learning Experiences on the Social Competence of Emerging Adults.</i> Many who perform international humanitarian service report the experience to be life changing or a transformative experience. This presentation will present the results of a study evaluating the impact of extensive humanitarian service learning on emerging adults in multiple areas of personal and social development. Results indicate that these experiences are truly transformative in multiple ways.
2:30 – 3:00	Dr. Alicia Giralt, Professor and Women & Gender Studies Program Interim Director, Weber State University <i>International Service Learning: Who Does it Benefit?</i> Since the summer of 2009 Weber State students have been participating in a microcredit study abroad program in a community in Guatemala. Students spend two weeks in the country's highlands where they teach disenfranchised Mayan women basic marketing and budgeting concepts. At the end of the program, the women receive small loans to start new businesses. This presentation will share the results of this 5-year program, including how the women and students report their lives have been affected.
3:00 – 3:30	Michael Moon, Assistant Director, Center for Community and Engaged Learning, Weber State University <i>From Intentions to Reciprocity: Guide to a Student's International Experience</i> There are many audiences and needs to consider when developing an International humanitarian experience. Community leaders and members (local and abroad), administration, faculty, staff, students and alumni all have a vested interest. This presentation will give you practical application tools to develop a high-impact International experience for your student participants that allow each invested party to benefit.
3:30 – 4:00	Dr. Lisa Trujillo, DHSc, RRT, Director of Clinical Education, Respiratory Therapy, Weber State University <i>Is Your Opportunity Dressed in Overalls? Recognizing and Developing Opportunities for International Service Learning.</i> Often, there are differences between pre-trip planning and the reality of carrying out a project in country. This presentation will explore the challenges of discovering opportunities, overcoming barriers, developing partnerships, and creating sustainable projects in a developing nation. Through personal experiences gained over 9 years of providing humanitarian aid, community health education and health care in Ghana, we will discuss multiple facets of project development and implementation.
4:00	Dr. Forrest Crawford, Symposium Co-Chair, Concluding Remarks

Free lunch to the first 30 individuals who RSVP to Melinda Bowers 801-626-7151 or melindabowers@weber.edu