

Special Issue

Teachers and Teaching in Early Childhood Education and Care: Time to Think Otherwise

Message from the Guest Editors

We invite the submission of empirical and theoretical studies, as well as conceptual works, that highlight contemporary global approaches to understanding and supporting early childhood teachers and teaching. This Special Issue will illustrate diverse methodological approaches to examine pervasive early childhood workforce matters. Topics may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Early childhood teacher preparation/initial teacher education;
- Early childhood qualifications;
- Quality early childhood workforce;
- Early childhood teacher professional development;
- Retaining early childhood teachers;
- Sustaining early childhood teachers;
- Belonging as an early childhood teacher;
- Pedagogical leadership;
- Leadership;
- Professional identity.

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