Special Issue

Exploring Socially Just and Contextually Appropriate Professional Development for Early Childhood Teachers Using Qualitative Methodologies

Message from the Guest Editors

For this Special Issue, we seek manuscripts that explore socially just and contextually appropriate professional development (PD) for early childhood teachers using qualitative designs (i.e. narrative inquiry, ethnography, collaborative ethnography, grounded theory, action/participatory, case studies, interpretive practices, phenomenology), with a particular interest in:

- Social justice and equity in early childhood programs;
- The importance of social cultural context, place and history in the education of young children;
- Anti-bias teaching practices in early childhood;
- Working with children from diverse background (racial backgrounds, languages, religions and abilities in one classroom)/superdiversity;
- Global citizenship and cultural competence in early childhood teachers;
- Job-embedded professional development to improve practice;
- Professional learning opportunities that enhance collaboration, interactions and the equity of voice in early childhood programs;
- Early childhood teachers' ability/skills to support the social emotional and psychological well-being of children.

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