Special Issue

Religious Diversity and Social Studies Education

Message from the Guest Editors

This issue will explore how and to what degree religious diversity is being taught in K-12 social studies classrooms and included in official school curricula and teacher education programs. Religious diversity includes those with nonreligious worldviews, such as humanism or those who identify as spiritual but not religious. Teaching about religion and religious diversity can be challenging because religion often permeates personal beliefs, experiences, and values that guide one's behaviour. In this Special Issue, research areas may include (but are not limited to) the following:

- What can a comparative regional analysis tell us about how various countries recognize religious diversity (including nonreligious worldviews) in their school curricula.
- How can the theories of pluralism, covenantal pluralism, multiculturalism, worldviews, social justice, and more, be applied to diverse K-12 classrooms?
- How might students engage with religious diversity rather than merely discuss it?
- How do issues surrounding religion and religious identities contribute to or complicate current efforts to create socially just, equitable, and inclusive classrooms?

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