Transatlantic Educators Dialogue (TED)
The Transatlantic Education Dialogue (TED) is a one-of-a-kind opportunity for educators in the United States of America and the European Union to come together online for shared exploration and examination of a variety of educational topics, such as immigration, religion in education, active teaching methods and issues related to identity and difference.
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Today’s Presentation Plan:
1. TED Self-Introductions
2. TED Brief Program Description
3. TED Participants’ experience and feedback
4. Lessons learned from online collaborative experiences and plans for improving the program

We decided to present virtually today to better allow you to see how the program is experienced by participants.
Useful Links for Today’s Presentation:

TED Program Website
http://europe.illinois.edu/ted

Today’s Blackboard Collaborate Session
https://tinyurl.com/yaxzvtob
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Today’s TED Presenters:

Jeremie Smith – TED Program Moderator

Eleni Lykou – Middle and High School English Teacher at Krieza Junior High School in Evia, Greece

Armando De Jesus Gonzalez – High School Economics & Financial literacy teacher at Miami Palmetto Sr. High in Miami, Florida

Jennifer Smith – Middle School Science Teacher at Monticello Middle School in Monticello, Illinois
2019 will be the 10th Year for TED!

Ted is an online space designed to bring together educators from the US and America to share their experiences and perspectives.

- Synchronous Activities – 12 Scheduled weekly Sessions
- Asynchronous Activities – Discussion Board, group presentation planning
T.E.D. Objectives

❑ Learn from each other—exchange of information

❑ Gain a better understanding of how you perceive and explain the country where you live

❑ Become more aware of the range of perspectives held by people who live outside your country

❑ Consider how you can implement what you gain from T.E.D. in your educational role

❑ Experiment with ways in which technology can be utilized to connect educators and students who might not normally interact

❑ Have Fun!
2018 European Participants

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### Sunday Blackboard Collaborate

### Session Times

**Time Zone Converter**

This is a good link to convert time zones. To convert to Central Time (the timezone we use for TED), please use "USA--Illinois--Chicago". This map helps with visualizing the time zones for other program participants. Keep in mind, daylight savings time changes (which occurs in most of the USA on March 11 and most of Europe on March 25 this year) may impact the start time of Sunday weekly sessions.

Our Sunday weekly sessions will always start at 12 noon Chicago/US Central Standard Time.

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Weekly Sessions 3-12 – Planned Schedule

12:00 - 12:15 – Warm-up Talk – Open discussion about a specific article, video, or another resource (typically provided by presenting group).

12:15 – 1:00 – Participant Presentations – Each week, 4 to 6 participants will lead the discussion by sharing a series of individual presentations or doing a single combined presentation. Group assignments will be based on a TED Participant Confirmation & Interest Survey.

1:00 – 1:20 – Question & Answer Session led by that week’s presenters

1:20-1:30 – Announcements and Preparation for the next week
Moodle TED Program Website

**Transatlantic Educators Dialogue 2018**

**NAVIGATION**
- Dashboard
  - Site home
  - Site pages
  - My courses

**SEARCH FORUMS**
- Advanced search

**LATEST NEWS**
(No announcements have been posted yet.)

- **Announcements**
- **TED Discussion Forum**
  
  This Discussion Forum will be used by Transatlantic Educators Dialogue Program (TED) Participants to discuss weekly TED sessions and any topics or issues relevant to the educational policies, practices, and philosophies in the many diverse political and cultural contexts in which the participants teach.

- **TED - Detailed Program Description**
- **2018 Ted Participants (Sorted by name)**
- **TED Participant - Group Assignments.pdf**
- **2018 TED Participants - Interactive Google Map**
- **TED Open Collaboration and Discussion Space**
  
  This is the Blackboard Collaborate Ultra space that TED Participants can use anytime to peer review presentations or engage in other collaborative activities related to the program. All participants will have moderator privileges and can create sub groups for breakout sessions.
  
  **THIS WILL BE KEPT OPEN FOR TED PARTICIPANTS TO USE AT ANYTIME THEY WISH.**

- **Time Zone Converter**
- **TED 2018 Facebook Group**
  
  This closed Facebook group was created for use by the 2018 TED participants.

- **EXAMPLE Presentations from past years**
- **Participant Self-Introduction Slides**
- **The European Union for Professionals - Asynchronous European Union Center Class**
March 18 – Session 6: Migration/Immigration & Its Impact in the Classroom

- Session 6 - Video and Chat Recording
- Group 4 slides - US Participants
- Group 4 slides - Europe Participants
- How Much Can Schools Protect Undocumented Students? - Education Week
- From Undocumented to Lawfully Present: Do Changes to Legal Status Impact Psychological Wellbeing Among Latino Immigrant Young Adults? - Journal Of Social Science and Medicine
- Schools Learn to Cope With Influx Of Undocumented Teens - PBS News
- Immigrant Children in Europe Seem to Learn Best When Assimilated in Schools, Data Show - The Hechinger Report
- The myth of race, debunked in 3 minutes
- Sipi Tau performed by Euless Trinity Trojans on 11-07-13

TRINITY HIGH SCHOOL PEP RALLY
- Provoking immigrant thrown out of classroom
- Answergarden - In your context, who is an immigrant?
- The flow towards Europe MAP
- US Immigration Maps
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Student Benefits from TED

New educational programs

- AnswerGarden
- eTwinning

Teacher PD programs

Increased awareness of global issues

Increased willingness to consider global perspectives

Jennifer Smith - 2018
TED Program Participant
I am Armando Gonzalez, an Honors Economics and Financial Literacy teacher at Miami Palmetto Sr. High in Miami, Florida in the United States where I have been teaching seniors for the past eighteen years. I am also the Euro Challenge Sponsor and spent a week in Brussels over the summer to learn about the European Union.

I graduated from Florida International University with a Bachelors in Social Science and Secondary Education.

By participating in TED, I was able to utilize what I learned from teachers in Europe and the United States and incorporate it in my classes and with teachers at my school.
One of the teaching techniques I learned with the TED participants was answergarden.
ANSWERGARDEN

- Use it as a brainstorming format.
- Informal assessment at the end of lecture.
- Informal assessment the day after a lecture.
- What did students learn after a reading assignment.
I was able to share this new technique with teachers in my department and hope to do the same with the entire faculty at an upcoming faculty meeting.

I was also able to share this new technique with all my students so they can use it when doing a presentation in any of their classes.
ANSWERGARDEN

https://answergarden.ch/818055
School Safety

- After the Parkland school shooting systems were put in place to ensure that everyone understood what to do districtwide in an emergency situation.

- Code Yellow, Code Red, fire drills, classroom doors locked at all times, a police officer at every school, and everyone wearing a school issued ID to name some.

- The number of students registering to vote increased as well as the number of students voting.

- Students became more engaged at the local, state, and federal level participating in conferences and politically.
Program Outcomes

• A network of teachers on the globe has been developed, sustained and reinforced through constant exchange of practices, materials, innovations and ideas.

• Participants have benefited both professionally and personally.

• Establishment of cooperation has been encouraged such as the Erasmus project.

Eleni Lykou - 2018
TED Program Participant
What is Erasmus+

• Erasmus+ is the EU's program that supports education, training, youth and sport in Europe. It aims at providing opportunities for over 4 million Europeans to study, train, gain experience, and volunteer abroad. It involves students, individuals and organisations across different countries and is set to last until 2020.
Our Hereditas (Here Discover International Treasure and Survive) Project

- Cooperation initiated among three TED participants and their schools (Croatia, Greece and Slovakia) with three more countries joining (Czech Republic, Germany and Spain).

- A two year project on cultural heritage will be developed, supported by exchange visits.

- It is considered a great opportunity for students to cooperate, improve their level of English and general knowledge, travel abroad (all expenses are covered by the program) and combat racism and xenophobia, especially at a time that extreme right wing ideologies gain popularity.
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Challenges encountered:

- Varied levels of technology experience and comfort
- Sharing of articles/resources became onerous
- Uneven participation in discussion forums
- Some found it hard to focus both on presentations and chat (sidebar conversations) during live sessions
- Often, presentations ran over scheduled time or into the following week
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Plans for meeting challenges:

- Varied levels of technology experience and comfort
  Required technology orientation before program begins

- Sharing of articles/resources became onerous
  Sharing of articles/resources encouraged rather than required
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Plans for meeting challenges:

- Uneven participation in discussion forums
  
  *Make discussion forums about essential questions that aim to encourage people to share their personal and local experiences*

- Some found it hard to focus both on presentations and chat (sidebar conversations) during live sessions
  
  *Encourage people to view recordings later or review chat transcript later*

- Often, presentations ran over scheduled time or into the following week
  
  *Build in group collaboration time into scheduled sessions and require presentation plan/resources 1 week before assigned week (except week 3)*
Questions, Comments, or Suggestions?