NAECTE 2020 FALL CONFERENCE CALL FOR PAPERS

Conference Theme: Teaching for Anti-Bias Pedagogies, Advocacy, and Activism in Early Childhood Teacher Education

Keynote by Louise Derman-Sparks: "We Have to be Carefully Taught: Principles of Anti-Bias Education with Adults"

National Association of Early Childhood Teacher Educators invites you to our Annual Fall Conference on November 4, 2020 (8 am - 3 pm), held in conjunction with the NAEYC Annual Conference in Anaheim, CA.

NAECTE invites paper and poster presentation submissions on a broad spectrum of topics relevant to pre-service and in-service education of early childhood practitioners to be considered for our fall conference. In addition, based on the conference theme, we are interested in papers addressing the following:

- How can early childhood teacher education support practitioners at preservice and inservice levels to embrace anti-bias pedagogies?
- What do advocacy and activism in early childhood education and teacher education look like?
- What are some examples from different states for anti-bias practices, advocacy and activism in early childhood leadership, professional development and teacher education?

A 500-word (min.) abstract including the following elements is required: Statement of Problem/Issues/Research, Theories/Perspectives, Methodology, Findings, and Implications.

Papers will be reviewed based on the following criteria:

- The proposal appropriately addresses the theme or another relevant issue to early childhood teacher education
- The proposal would be effective in presentation format indicated.
- The proposal is well organized and prepared, indicating potential for a high-quality session.
- The proposal would benefit NAECTE conference attendees and challenge participants to think about issues important to early childhood teacher educators.

- All accepted papers undergo a rigorous triple blind peer review process conducted by national early childhood teacher education experts.
- Paper and poster presentations allow 30-45 minute per session to allow each presenter to truly engage the audience in dialogue and networking.
- Any participant who is registered with NAEYC’s Fall Conference may attend NAECTE Fall conference without an added cost!
NAECTE offers two conference days a year in tandem with the NAEYC fall conference and the June NAEYC Professional Learning Institute. Our Fall conference day is always the first day of NAEYC (Wednesdays) and Summer conference is always the second day of NAEYC (Mondays). In the fall, we arrange a full day conference usually including research presentations, poster sessions, a keynote, a luncheon and a membership meeting followed by an afternoon pause and an evening awards ceremony.

The Summer conference is scheduled as a half-day morning keynote and research presentations/posters. Notably, there is no separate registration for the NAECTE annual meeting, as it is included in your NAEYC registration. Please wear your NAEYC name badge to our conference. We do hope that you will renew your NAECTE membership online before the conference or during the conference check-in tables. Our memberships are a key way for us to thrive and offer these great opportunities to connect in our work and research endeavors!

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Louise Derman-Sparks has worked for over 50 years on issues of diversity and social justice as a preschool teacher at the Perry Preschool Project, child-care center director, human development faculty member at Pacific Oaks College, and activist. She is author and coauthor of several books, including Anti-Bias Education for Young Children and Ourselves, and What if All the Kids are White? Anti-Bias/Multicultural Education for Young Children and Families, and of numerous articles. She speaks, conducts workshops, and consults on anti-bias education with children and adults throughout the United States and internationally. Louise, now retired as a professor emerita, is active with the Social Justice Committee of the Pasadena Jewish Temple and Center. She is the mother of two adult children, one a therapist and one a social worker.

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