

Inclusive Education Giving students a voice

Conference
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Kleiner Festsaal, University of Vienna, Austria





Conference and Inaugural Lecture Susanne Schwab

Inclusive Education has become the focus of research more and more as the number of students with special needs educated in mainstreaming classes is rising nearly all over the world. However, inclusive education not only focuses on 'special' learners but also includes all learners. Within this context, it is important to examine how students themselves feel about inclusive education. Do they have a positive attitude towards inclusive education? Do students feel socially included? Which level of wellbeing do they experience in school?

This conference aims at giving insights into students' perspectives on inclusive education. Researchers and practitioners need to listen to students' voices to explore the opportunities and challenges of inclusive education and to create a better future for all students.

In addition, the conference is combined with the inaugural lecture of Professor Susanne Schwab, who started to work for the University of Vienna in October 2018.

Participation in the conference is free of charge, but please register before 31 March 2019 under the link school-pedagogy-diversity.univie.ac.at/en/news. Contact: theresia.pantzer@univie.ac.at.

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Program

12:30–12:45

Welcome and opening

Wilfried Datler
(Dean of the Faculty of Philosophy and Education, University of Vienna)

12:45–13:10

Inclusion and being humane

Mirna Nel
(North-West University, South Africa)

13:10–13:35

Class behavior climate from students' perspectives

Hannu Savolainen
(University of Jyväskylä, Finland)

13:35–14:00

Trajectories of social functioning among students with and without learning disabilities in inclusive educational settings

Elias Avramidis
(University of Thessaly, Greece)

14:00–14:25

Under which conditions does the social participation of students with special educational needs succeed?

Frank Hellmich
(University of Paderborn, Germany)

14:30–15:30

Poster presentations and tea/coffee

15:30–15:45

Welcome and opening part II

Christa Schnabl
(Vice-Rector, University of Vienna) and Manfred Prenzel
(Head of the Centre for Teacher Education, University of Vienna)

15:45–16:30

Students' perspectives on inclusive education

Susanne Schwab
(University of Vienna)

16:30–18:00

Roundup of the day

19:00–22:00

Dinner

Mayor's reception in the town hall

Facilitation: Katharina Resch (University of Vienna)