

INTERDISCIPLINARY & INTERNATIONAL PERSPECTIVES ON DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION: EFFECTIVE APPROACHES IN EDUCATION

SURVEY RESULTS

On February 11th, 2021, The College of Education and Human Ecology (EHE) and the University of Tsukuba (UT) in Japan presented a joint virtual conference, “Interdisciplinary and International Perspectives on Diversity and Inclusion: Effective Approaches in Education.” Thirty-three faculty members in the fields of sports sciences, sociology, psychology, education, and special education presented to approximately 100 attendees during the 3-hour event. The conference opened with remarks from EHE Dean Don Pope-Davis, and UT Deans Sonoko Ogawa and Takeshi Nishiyasu. During the conference sessions, faculty discussed their research with a focus on potential collaborative research opportunities for scholars and students at EHE and UT.

Although the conference was originally intended to take place at the University of Tsukuba, the pandemic required a shift to the virtual format, which was successful and well received by all involved. Survey results indicate that attendees found the conference engaging, gained new knowledge related to their field of study, and learned more about the research at both EHE and UT. Additionally, results show that we have a great opportunity to increase collaboration among our faculty members, and that attendees are more confident in doing so as a result of participating in the conference.



98% of participants would recommend this event to a colleague.



76% of participants feel more confident in collaborating with other scholars after this event



98% of participants feel that their knowledge of each university's work was increased by this event



89% of participants thought the platform and technology were easy to navigate.



91% of participants thought their knowledge of current trends and strategies in the field were better.



98% of participants found the event to be engaging and held their interest.

Comments from the participants

What did you like most about this event?

Very positive attitude to make a difference in society and at the school.



I really enjoyed the exchange of opinions on the Tokyo Olympics between UT and OSU.



How much they value the importance of collaborating with the other institution in pursuit of providing a high quality education.



Being able to connect with scholars overseas and opening up the possibility of collaborations.



As an observer, I got to have a glance at what researchers in my graduated university/ visited university have been working on.



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PARTICIPATING FACULTY

1. Dean Donald Pope-Davis 2. Dean Ogawa 3. Dean Nisiyasu

Diversity and Inclusion in Sport

**4. Xiaojie Tian 5. Sue Sutherland 6. Leeann Lower-Hoppe 7. Brian Turner
8. Kwame Agyemang 9. Hisashi Sanada 10. Taro Obayashi**

Diversity and Inclusion in Education

**11. Hisae Miyauchi 12. Noelle Arnold 13. Nimo Abdi 14. Muhammad Khalifa 15. Yvonne Goddard
16. Peter Paul 17. Kuanysh Tastanbekova 18. Tomoko Tokunaga 19. Kaori Kikuchi**

Diversity and Inclusion in Health and Physical Activity

**20. Tsuyoshi Matsumoto 21. Jacqueline Goodway 22. Brian Focht 23. Jerraco Johnson 24. Rick Petosa
25. Erik Porfeli 26. Taku Yamaguchi 27. Satbyul Estella Kim 28. Daigo Ebe**

Meeting the Needs of All Learners with Disabilities

**29. Matt Brock 30. Takahiro Sato 31. Tiffany Wild 32. Danene Fast 33. Soichiro Matsuda
34. Ginga Sasaki 35. Naoya Todo 36. Maho Fuchikami**