

Crosswalks Care Package #11

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News and Updates

February 2 Crosswalks Talk

Topic: Beyond Songs and Snacks: Resources for Increasing the Emphasis on Cultural, Linguistic and Ability Diversity in Preservice Education

Presenter: Camille Catlett

Audience: **Faculty members and providers of early childhood professional development**

Description: Recent research has highlighted the importance of readings and assignments in shaping the culturally responsive dispositions and teaching practices of college students. This session will highlight resources (activities, print materials, videos, web sites, etc.) that are available to faculty to build these capabilities, and strategies for using them effectively. A guided tour of the Crosswalks toolbox will be included, as well as opportunities for faculty to share resources and strategies they're currently using. A descriptive flyer and registration form are attached.

Time: 10:00 – 3:00

Location: Davidson County Community College (Davidson Campus), Thomasville, NC

Logistics: Lunch provided. Complete and fax the attached form to register. Please contact Camille Catlett (919.966.6635 or catlett@mail.fpg.unc.edu) for details.

July 25-28 Infusing Cultural, Linguistic and Ability Diversity in Preservice Education: The Crosswalks National Institute

Come to the mountains of North Carolina for the latest information on providing field experiences, coursework, and programs that prepare personnel to work with culturally, linguistically, and ability diverse children and their families.

Among the topics to be discussed at the three day meeting are how to prepare your students to support young English language learners; how to collaborate with culturally and linguistically diverse family and community partners as part of coursework and practica; how picture to use instructional dilemmas to explore issues of culture; approaches for using state and here national standards as a framework for increasing the emphasis on diversity, and more.

The Institute will be held at a resort in Asheville, NC, complete with a golf course, swimming pools, tennis courts and a fitness center. The location is just minutes from the Biltmore Estate, the scenic Blue Ridge Parkway, and is held over the same weekend Asheville's famous festival of food, crafts and music - Bele Chere.

There are a limited number of spaces available. The deadline for early registration at the discounted rate of \$195 per person is June 1, 2007. Additional information and a registration form (attached) are also available on the Crosswalks website (<http://www.fpg.unc.edu/~scpp/crosswalks>).

CROSSWALKS TALKS are

- A professional development opportunity for college and university faculty
- A forum for exploring the intersection between culture and content in early childhood education and early intervention
- An opportunity to learn from diverse national presenters and to discover new methods, models and materials
- A place to interact with early childhood and early intervention leadership colleagues

Cost

There is no cost to participate, but pre-registration is required. Please register early, as space is limited. Lunch will be provided.

Registration (required)

Complete and return the attached form by January 24, 2007. Send to Camille Catlett at catlett@mail.fpg.unc.edu or fax to 919.843.5784. If you have any questions, call Camille at 919.966.6635.



Beyond Songs and Snacks *Resources for Increasing the Emphasis on Cultural and Linguistic Diversity*

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Friday, February 2

10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Davidson County Community College
Mendenhall Building, Room 106

Presenter: Camille Catlett
FPG Child Development Institute

CROSSWALKS TALKS are made possible through a grant from the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education Programs (H324R030072).
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Registration Form

CROSSWALKS TALKS
at Davidson County Community College

Beyond Songs and Snacks:
Resources for Increasing the Emphasis on Cultural and Linguistic Diversity

February 2, 2007

Name _____

Institution _____

Daytime Phone _____ Email _____

Mailing Address _____

Are you a (check all that apply):

___ B-K faculty member?

___ Community College faculty member?

___ Adjunct/interim faculty?

CROSSWALKS TALK participants will be provided with a complimentary box lunch. Please check any considerations below that apply to you so we may support your comfortable participation.

___ Vegetarian food preferences

___ Other supports required: _____

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Learn, network, discover, interact, explore, and take home new ideas. Join us for this unique learning opportunity!

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

College, university and community college faculty members

Trainers

Administrators

FOR DETAILS CONTACT

Camille Catlett
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catlett@mail.fpg.unc.edu



Infusing Cultural, Linguistic and Ability Diversity in Preservice Education

Crosswalks National Institute

July 25 – 28, 2007

**Crowne Plaza Hotel & Resort
Asheville, North Carolina**

Participants will learn:

- The Crosswalks model for increasing the emphasis on cultural, linguistic, and ability diversity in preservice education.
- The evidence base for diversity-infused preservice programs.
- How to prepare your students to support young English language learners.
- Strategies for evaluating the extent to which your students are acquiring diversity-related knowledge, skill and dispositions.
- How to collaborate with culturally and linguistically diverse family and community partners as part of coursework and practica.
- Methods for constructing syllabi to reflect diversity.
- Strategies for recruiting and supporting diverse students.
- Proven approaches to supporting gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender family members and students.
- How to use instructional dilemmas to explore issues of culture.
- Approaches for using state and national standards as a framework for increasing the emphasis on diversity.
- Where to find high quality, low cost instructional resources.

Featured Presenters

Camille Catlett

FPG Child Development Institute
(Chapel Hill, NC)

Eva Thorp

George Mason University (Fairfax, VA)

Susan Moore

University of Colorado (Boulder, CO)

Clara Pérez-Méndez

El Grupo de Familias (Boulder, CO)

Sylvia Sánchez

George Mason University (Fairfax, VA)

Susan Maude

University of Vermont (Burlington, VT)

Lee Lesser

Parent Services Project (San Rafael, CA)

Florianna Thompson

Wake Technical Community College
(Raleigh, NC)

Bele Chere Festival

For three days each year, Bele Chere, the largest free street festival in the Southeast, takes over downtown Asheville, NC. In 2007, Bele Chere will be held on **July 27-29**, with six entertainment venues, three food courts and hundreds of artists from through-out the country. With free shuttle service to downtown Asheville for Crowne Plaza guests, you'll have an ideal opportunity to visit and enjoy Bele Chere during the Crosswalks National Institute.

About Crosswalks

To learn more about our methods, resources and research, go to the Crosswalks website (<http://www.fpg.unc.edu/~scpp/crosswalks>)

Benefits of Participation

- Quality professional development opportunity for faculty and other partners in preparing future personnel.
- Low advance registration fee covers all sessions, 3 breakfasts, 2 lunches, a reception & institute materials (including a DVD of all session handouts).
- Intense workshops for expanding your repertoire of instructional strategies.
- Useful content to support improvements in coursework, practica and program practices.
- Opportunities to network with national colleagues & nationally recognized presenters.
- Great location, one mile from the heart of Asheville and close to the historical Biltmore Estate. Free hotel shuttle to shops, crafts, restaurants and spas.
- Held over the weekend of Asheville's Bele Chere Festival, featuring crafts, food and music.

Institute Schedule

Wednesday, July 25

9:00– 4:00 pm	Registration
4:00– 5:30 pm	Opening Presentation
5:30– 7:00 pm	Reception (provided)

Thursday, July 26

7:30– 8:30 am	Breakfast (provided)
8:30–11:00 am	Concurrent Sessions
11:00– 1:00 pm	Lunch (provided)
1:00– 4:00 pm	Concurrent Sessions
4:00– 7:00 pm	Dinner On Your Own

Friday, July 27

7:30– 8:30 am	Breakfast (provided)
8:30–11:00 am	Concurrent Sessions
11:00– 1:00 pm	Lunch (provided)
1:00– 4:00 pm	Concurrent Sessions

Saturday, July 28

7:30– 8:30 am	Breakfast (provided)
9:00–12:00 am	Concurrent Sessions



Crosswalks National Institute Hotel

Crowne Plaza Resort – Asheville, NC

One Holiday Inn Drive

Asheville NC 28806

Phone (828) 254-3211 Toll Free (800) 733-3211

<http://www.ashevillecp.com>

Located on 125 rolling acres in a picturesque mountain setting, the Crowne Plaza is a full-service resort, complete with a golf course and a wealth of other recreational activities. Just minutes from downtown Asheville, the Crowne Plaza Resort has something for everyone. Thoughtfully designed to respect and celebrate the unique natural environment, the resort greets visitors with towering stone walls, rich hardwood accents, and sumptuous furnishings. Features include:

- Well-appointed guest rooms, suites, and vacation villas. Each includes:
 - The Crowne Plaza Sleep Advantage™ package, featuring comfortable new beds, guaranteed wake-up calls, sleep amenities, sleep CDs and relaxation tips
 - private balcony or patio with golf course or mountain views
 - coffeemaker and refrigerator
 - complimentary high-speed wireless Internet
 - iron, ironing board, and hairdryer
- Award-winning restaurant
- On-site 18-hole par 70 regulation golf course, four outdoor clay tennis courts, and a heated outdoor swimming pool
- Fitness center and access to a nearby health club
- Full-service business center
- Ample free parking



Crosswalks National Institute participants who stay at the Crowne Plaza will be entitled to free resort shuttles to downtown Asheville. An unimaginable variety of restaurants, cafes, bistros, shops, and spas await you just one mile down the road.

Institute Rates

The hotel is offering a special conference rate of \$132.00 plus tax (single or double occupancy) for Crosswalks National Institute participants. **To receive this rate, rooms must be reserved by June 25, 2007.** Please call the hotel's toll-free number (1-800-733-3211) and mention the **Crosswalks National Institute** to obtain this rate. Online registration is also an option. Go to <http://www.ashevillecp.com>, click "Reserve Online," and enter **CNI** in the box marked Group Code. **Institute participants are responsible for making their own hotel reservations.**

All Institute events will be held at the Crowne Plaza Resort.

Transportation

The Asheville, NC Regional Airport is served by Continental, Delta, Northwest and US Airways. Taxis from the airport to the **Crowne Plaza Resort** are available 24 hours upon request. The airport is 14 miles from the hotel and a taxi will cost approximately \$30.

Nearby Attractions

Visitors to the Crowne Plaza Resort are uniquely positioned to take advantage of all that a central Asheville location has to offer. Some of the more popular diversions follow. The concierge can help you plan your adventures.

- Abundant hiking, mountain biking, and water sports
- The renowned [Biltmore Estate](#), Winery, and Gardens
- Whitewater rafting at [Nantahala Outdoor Center](#)
- The scenic [Blue Ridge Parkway](#)
- Healing mineral baths and massages at the historic [Hot Springs Spa](#)
- [Great Smoky Mountains National Park](#)
- [Cherokee Indian Reservation](#)
- [Chimney Rock Park](#)

Registration

Please register early. There are a limited number of spaces available for participants.

Mail your completed registration form **and** payment (check or money order) before June 1, 2007 to qualify for the early bird registration rate. The **early bird rate is \$195/person.**

After June 1, registration will be \$245/person.

Complete one form for each person registering. For additional registrants, please copy the form.

Make checks payable to the FPG Child Development Institute. If agency billing is required, please contact Jay Hargrove (919/966-0888 or hargrove@mail.fpg.unc.edu).

Return the registration form & payment to:

**Camille Catlett
FPG Child Development Institute
CB #8185
Chapel Hill, NC 27599-8185**

Phone (919) 966-6635
Fax (919) 843-5784
Email catlett@mail.fpg.unc.edu

Cancellation Policy

Refund of your registration costs, less a \$15 processing fee, is available **if notice of the cancellation is received before July 15, 2007.** After July 15th, no refunds will be given.

Registration Form

NAME (Please write on line above)

INSTITUTION/ORGANIZATION

WORK/DAYTIME PHONE

FAX

EMAIL

MAILING ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

Are you a (check all that apply):

- College/university faculty member?
- Community college faculty member?
- Other? Please explain. _____

Special Needs? (check all that apply)

- Vegetarian food preferences
- Other medically necessary menu requests:

- Other assistance required: _____

Registration Fees

NOTE: Conference registration is limited. Please register early. Fees will be refunded if maximum registration is reached.

Early Bird Fee **\$195/person**
(Postmarked on or before June 1, 2007)

Late Registration **\$245/person**

Fee attached **\$ _____**

Payment Method

Please enclose a check, payable to the
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Diversity impacts every aspect of our work with children and families. Yet to many, it is as invisible as water to a fish. We must work to discover and be responsive to diversity in ourselves – our values, our words and our practices – and in others.