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English Language Learners Conference “Equity in Education”

Featured Presenter

Libia Gil

**Chief Education Officer
Illinois State Board of Education**

Nov. 4, 2017

**Riverfront Hall
Moline, IL**

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THE PROGRAM

There are nearly five million English Language Learners (ELL) in U.S. public schools and more than 200,000 in the State of Illinois. Although the majority are from Spanish speaking households, more than 144 languages are spoken at home among Illinois public school students. Illinois ranks fifth in the nation with the number of English Language (EL) students in K-12 public schools, ranking higher than Arizona, Nevada, New Mexico and Colorado, according to the Migration Policy Institute. This program is designed for educators who want to learn more about the issues and challenges facing English language learners and who wish to teach more effectively in the classroom. This program is worth 4.5 professional development hours for Illinois public school educators.

FEATURED PRESENTER

Libia Gil holds a B.A. and M.A. from Cal State Los Angeles, and a Ph.D. in curriculum and instruction, with an emphasis on bilingual education, from the University of Washington. In 2013, Gil was named assistant deputy secretary and director of the Office of English Language Acquisition (OELA) under the Obama Administration. Prior to that, she was the vice president for practice at the Collaborative for Academic, Social, and Emotional Learning in Chicago. In addition, she has served as senior fellow and managing director at the American Institutes for Research (AIR), where she developed and co-led the AIR Center for English learners.

She has served as a classroom teacher in Los Angeles, CA, a bilingual resource specialist, a bilingual-ESL coordinator, desegregation officer and elementary school principal, assistant superintendent and superintendent. As superintendent of the Chula Vista Public Schools, she started dual language education programs in English and Spanish. She currently serves as the chief education officer for the Illinois State Board of Education.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Friday, Nov. 3, 2017

3:30-7:30 p.m. Refugee Simulation for Educators
Presented by World Relief, Riverfront Hall 111

Saturday, Nov. 4, 2017

8 a.m. Registration Check-In
Riverfront Hall Lobby

8:30 a.m. Welcome

9-10 a.m. Current Status of English Language Learners and New Developments
Libia Gil, ISBE Chief Education Officer

10:05-11:05 a.m. Concurrent Session I
Trauma Informed Training; Undocumented Students and DACA; Technology for the Classroom

11:10 a.m.-12:10 p.m. Concurrent Session II
Beginning Spanish for Teachers; Undocumented Students and DACA; Technology for the Classroom

12:10 p.m. Lunch

1-2:40 p.m. Concurrent Sessions (Repeated every 30 min.)
Concurrent Sessions III-V
Dual Language Instruction; Strategies for Literacy; College Access – The One-by-One program; Interpreter Protocols; EL Cultural Competency and Mindfulness

2:45-3 p.m. Program Evaluation and Conclusion

GENERAL INFORMATION

REGISTRATION

The professional registration fee is \$69. The registration fee includes four and one half (4.5) professional development hours, documentation of contact hours, lunch, learning materials and conference attendance.

Please send in your registration information **by Wednesday, Nov. 1, 2017**, to be assured of all conference attendance privileges. **We cannot guarantee a lunch or inclusion on the participant list if returned after this date.** Complete the attached registration form and return it with a check made payable to **Western Illinois University, or register online through a link on our home page at wiu.edu/qci**. A campus map is included with the registration confirmation.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Professional Development Hours: Illinois public school teachers are eligible to receive four and one half (4.5) professional development hours for participating in this program. **You must indicate your interest in receiving professional development hours by checking the appropriate box on the registration form and providing a seven digit Illinois Educator Identification Number**

(IEIN), which can be found online at <https://sec3.isbe.net/IWASNET/login.aspx>. You **must** also complete the required online evaluation form at the conclusion of the program to receive your evidence of completion.

WIU CEUs: Western Illinois University awards certificates of Continuing Education Units (CEUs) to all participants who request them and who provide their Social Security number to the School of Distance Learning, International Studies and Outreach. This program carries .4 CEUs. If you are requesting WIU CEUs, contact our office with your Social Security information at (309) 762-9481, ext. 62357, for documentation purposes.

Only registrants attending the full program are eligible for professional development hours granted by WIU.

ADA COMPLIANCE

WIU is in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Please let us know how we can accommodate any special needs you have at least two weeks prior to the conference date by contacting the Quad Cities Initiatives Office at (309) 762-9481, ext. 62357.

REFUND POLICY

Western Illinois University reserves the right to withdraw a program because of unforeseen circumstances or insufficient enrollment. If a program is canceled, registrants are notified and all fees are refunded. A \$20 cancellation fee is charged to participants who cancel on or after Wednesday, Nov. 1, 2017. There are no refunds for any cancellations on or after the program date.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

This program is open to everyone and is appropriate as professional development for active educators and school personnel at all levels. Teachers, school administrators and others working in schools would find this program beneficial.

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, call the Quad Cities Initiatives Office of the School of Distance Learning, International Studies and Outreach at (309) 762-9481, ext. 62357. To register online, click on the registration link for the conference at wiu.edu/qci or directly at <https://form.jotform.us/70033918988164>.

REGISTRATION FORM

Western Illinois University English Language Learners

Name _____

Professional Title and Affiliation _____

Business Address _____

City/State/Zip Code _____

Business Phone (include area code) _____

Cell Phone (include area code) _____

E-Mail Address _____

How did you hear about the program? _____

- I wish to participate in the refugee simulation Friday, Nov. 3.
(Maximum enrollment: 30)
- I wish to participate in the administrators' breakfast
(max. enrollment: 15).

Please indicate what type of documentation you prefer:

Professional Development Hours

IEIN _____

- WIU Continuing Education Units (CEUs)
- No documentation needed

Registration Fee

Professional registration \$69

To Register

- Check, payable to Western Illinois University, enclosed with form
- Visit wiu.edu/qci for online registration

Mail completed form to: WIU-QC, QC Initiatives,
Bldg. C, Rm. 1416E, 3300 River Dr., Moline, IL 61265

Registration closes Nov. 1, 2017

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