ICOPE Inc. NEWSLETTER

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TIME-SENSITIVE MATTERS

NOTICE of our AGM and the CALL for NOMINATIONS is inside this Newsletter!



Dear members of ICOPE,

Inside this Newsletter you will find details about the upcoming AGM and a call for nominations for ICOPE Committee positions, as well as news from Committee members and details of Conferences and Resources.

The next Newsletter will be circulated in October and we look forward to receiving your contributions. Please send details of relevant events and resources for the next newsletter to me by 21 October. After this we will be announcing a new Newsletter Editor as I will be taking on a new role in ICOPE – more news soon! Jacqui Taylor (Newsletter Editor) jtaylor@bournemouth.ac.uk

ICOPE Inc. Committee Details:

President: Mohammad Rahman (University of Dhaka, Bangladesh)

Vice-President: Jacqui Taylor (Bournemouth University, UK)

Secretary and Public Officer: Jacquelyn Cranney (UNSW, Australia)
Acting Treasurer: Jacquelyn Cranney UNSW, Australia)

Elected members: Victor Karandashev (Aquinas College, USA)

Steve Charlton (Douglas College, Canada)

Co-opted members: Grant Rich (Consulting Psychologist, Juneau, Alaska, USA)

Alfredo Padilla López (Universidad Autónoma de Baja California, Mexico)

Julia Suleeman (Universitas Indonesia, Depok, Jawa Barat, Indonesia)

The Committee are very sad to announce the loss of our fellow committee member, friend and colleague Dr Lucy Zinkiewicz who sadly passed away on 6th June 2018

Many colleagues got to know Lucy when she worked in the UK at the Higher Education Academy Psychology Network at York University. Lucy was a great team player and worked on a number of influential documents, including the guide to inclusive teaching in psychology which she wrote with Naomi Craig. This guide is suffused with Lucy's commitment to learning, to students, to social justice. Elsewhere reflecting on her later work, many colleagues have also commented on her social justice work as a lasting contribution to psychology education. On her return to Australia, Lucy was involved in and dedicated to PsyEd. She was often at PsyEd events, and was part of the team that put together the very successful inaugural AusPLAT conference in September 2017.

Lucy was involved in ICOPE, and as inaugural Treasurer helped to set up the newly incorporated society. Over the last year, Lucy became the Australian editor for Volume 4 of the series, 'Teaching Psychology Around the World' (in-press). The editor and sub-editors worked closely with Lucy on this ICOPE book with almost daily emails for the last 6 months. Her contributions to the book were significant indeed, not only with her Australia section, but also with the Asia section.

However, what stands out most about Lucy is her disposition: always positive, always thinking about and caring for others, despite the ever-increasing demands of higher education, and despite her illness. Many colleagues have commented about Lucy's great sense of humour – she was always fun to be with. Lucy was a lovely human being and we psychology educators will miss her, and not forget her. Our deepest sympathies to her partner, family, and friends.

NOTICE OF THE NEXT AGM

The AGM will take place at the APS Congress, Sydney on Friday 28th September at 07:30am at a location that will be announced at least 24 hours beforehand.

The office-bearing positions of Treasurer, Secretary and President-Elect are available for election, as are up to 4 elected members.

**Please email your nomination for a specific position including (a) a statement of intent (maximum 150 words), and (b) a resume/CV, to the returning officer Siobhan O'Dean, siobhan.odean@unsw.edu.au by 11am on Thursday 6th September (Sydney Time). You also need to arrange to have two ICOPE members second your nomination—this can be done by email. (Committee members can be approached to second your nomination.) If voting is needed for any position, this will be arranged to take place before 14th September.

For example, email to siobhan.odean@unsw.edu.au and your seconders:

"Dear receiving officer, I wish to nominate for the position of ordinary member [or state the office-bearer position] of the ICOPE Committee. I have 10 years of experience as a psychology educator, in particular I am the Director of the Forensic Psychology Program, at the University of Singapore, Singapore. As a Committee Member, I intend to promote international sharing and exchange of resources that lead to improved quality of psychology education. Please find the attached resume/CV. The seconders of my nomination are ICOPE members XXX and XXX. Sincerely, Your name"

Please note that you should have renewed your financial membership of ICOPE by the time of the AGM (see http://www.psychliteracy.com/icope-inc/).

ICOPE ACTIVITIES

Review of ICOPE Symposium at ICAP

Our ICOPE Symposium submission, 'ICOPE: International Developments in Psychology Education' led by Jacquelyn Cranney was accepted for the International Congress of Applied Psychology (ICAP 2018) and was held at the Palais des Congrès, Montréal, Québec, Canada, June 26 - 30, 2018. Julia Suleeman's presentation reported that undergraduate psychology students from a joint program (2 years at Universitas Indonesia continued with 2 years at the University of Queensland) found it easier to write argumentative writing in English, because the educational climate in Australia supports argumentation while the Indonesian upbringing does not encourage even asking questions. Lynne Roberts talked about developments in the conceptualisation and measurement of psychological literacy. Mohammad Rahman's presentation was on his "Experience of establishing clinical psychology in Bangladesh through local and international collaboration". Moreover, Jacky Cranney's State of the Art lecture was on "Psychological literacy in undergraduate education and beyond". Highlights of the conference included a talk by Roddy Roediger on how students learn (with an emphasis on the testing effect,) and by Helen Christensen on digital approaches to delivering psychological interventions to distressed young people. Montreal presented itself as a beautiful cosmopolitan city, and the summer weather was perfect.

ICOPE Conference

The ICOPE Conference postponed from February will now take place in Bangladesh on December 21-22nd 2018 organised by Professor Mohammad Rahman (University of Dhaka, Bangladesh). Please email Professor Rahman directly for details prof.dr.mahmudrahman@gmail.com

News on Volume 4 of 'Teaching of Psychology around the World'

Dr Grant Rich has led the editorship of this volume and the committee would like to thank him for taking on this role and completing the book with such dedication and efficiency. We are pleased to announce that the book is now in press! ...and you can see details here: http://www.cambridgescholars.com/teaching-psychology-around-the-world-volume-4

An Obituary for Professor Charles Brewer from Prof. Victor Karandashev

Charles Brewer died on March 30 2018 at the age of 85. I have known Charles Brewer since 2000 when I first met him at the APA Convention in Washington, D.C. I approached him with the idea to organize the first international conference on psychology education. He favorably supported my efforts to network psychology educators around the world and immensely helped in organization of the series of ICOPE conferences at the beginning of 2000s. He served on the Program Committee and was a keynote speaker at the First and the Third International Conferences on Psychology Education, which were held in St. Petersburg, Russia. He was very supportive in the promotion of international psychology education through the continuing series of international teaching of psychology conferences and several publications. He was a co-editor of two impressive volumes of *Teaching of Psychology around the World* (2007, 2009) that comprehensively represented the international practices in psychology teaching in many countries across the world. I am very grateful for the years of collaboration and professional friendship with him. Great memories of meetings with him will always be with me. My condolences to his family, friends and all of us in ICOPE.

CONFERENCE REVIEWS

European Federation of Psychology Teachers Associations (EFPTA) April 13–14 Reykjavik, Iceland Psychology teachers, at pre-university / high school level, from 14 countries gathered in Iceland for the bi-annual EFPTA Conference to discuss and share information, expertise and ideas on teaching psychology. The theme was 'Psychology for everyone - the value of psychology education for young people' and the event was hosted by the Icelandic psychology teachers' association. One of the highlights of the Conference for me was the inspiring and entertaining keynote from Associate Professor Phil Banyard (Nottingham Trent University, UK) who discussed the questions, 'Is everything you know about psychology wrong? How do myths become accepted in psychology and become central to many curricula, and how can we dispel those myths?'. Other highlights were some excellent presentations by Icelandic high school students reflecting on their individual journey in psychology. At the conference I led a symposium on 'Sharing Activities from Pre-tertiary and Higher Education to Promote Psychological Literacy in Psychology Students' with Dr Julie Hulme and Helen Kitching on behalf of the BPS Division of Academics, Researchers & Teachers in Psychology. It was great to connect with representatives of teaching bodies throughout Europe and we look forward to the next conference in 2020 in Slovenia! The proceedings and talks can be found here: http://www.efpta.org/home/conference-events.asp

Did any of you attend these conference? ...please send us a review!

May 24–27 APS Convention San Francisco, California

June 6–7 Division of Academics, Researchers and Teachers in Psychology, Birmingham, UK July 9–13 Biennial International Seminar on the Teaching of Psychological Science, Paris, France August 9–12 Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association, San Francisco, USA

CONFERENCES OF INTEREST TO PSYCHOLOGY EDUCATORS

2018

September 27-30 Australian Psychological Society Congress http://www.apscongress.com.au/

October 19 - 20

Society for the Teaching of Psychology (STP) 17th Annual Conference on Teaching Phoenix, Arizona https://teachpsych.org/conferences/act.php

2019

January (TBC)
National Institute on the Teaching of Psychology (NITOP)

St Pete Beach, Florida https://www.nitop.org/

July (TBC)

Vancouver International Conference on the Teaching of Psychology (VICToP)

August 8 - 11

127th Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association Chicago, Illinois, USA www.apa.org/convention

September (TBC) AusPLAT, Melbourne

September 25-27 2019

ESPLAT (European Society for Psychology Learning and Teaching) Utrecht, The Netherlands https://esplatorg.weebly.com/conferences.html

A Reminder of ICOPE Membership Benefits

- Opportunities for INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATIONS on research and education
- Opportunities to PUBLISH in edited books as part of an ongoing contract with Cambridge Scholars Publishing, and in special issues of psychology education journals
- Discounted registration for conferences specifically organised by ICOPE
- Invitations to join proposed symposium sessions at future ICP conferences
- Specific communication e.g. through the select ICOPE Inc. email listing
- General communication e.g. through the broader PSYCHGLOBAL list-serve
- Opportunities to become an ICOPE Inc. Committee member, and to contribute to conference/symposium organisation and publication editing

Membership is \$20AUS per year for renewing members (\$30AUS for new members). Please email us for Paypal details.