An Introduction to Collaborative Online International Education (COIL) and 100K Partnerships

Tools and Tips for Virtual Education Programs:

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The 100,000 Strong in the Americas Innovation Fund invites you to join us for this special webinar to learn about cutting edge practices in virtual/online program development and delivery.

Collaborative Online International Learning (COIL), which was developed at the State University of New York (SUNY), is an approach that brings students and professors together across cultures to learn, discuss and collaborate as part of their class. Professors partner to design the experience and students partner to complete the activities designed. COIL becomes part of the class, enabling all students to have a significant intercultural experience within their course of study.

Panelists will include 100K program leaders from various higher education institutions to share lessons learned and best practices in developing virtual learning and exchange experiences for students in the Americas.

This webinar will be hosted by the Innovation Fund team at Partners of the Americas, the U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs, and the State University of New York (SUNY) Collaborative Online International Learning (COIL) Center.

JAN McCAULEY
Assistant Director, State University of New York (SUNY) Center for Collaborative Online International Learning (COIL)

Ms. McCauley joined the COIL Center in August 2016 after working closely with COIL for several years as a faculty member, campus coordinator, and professional development facilitator. In addition to day-to-day operations, her work with the COIL Center has involved management of the SUNY and Global Partner networks, facilitation of professional development courses, oversight of the grant funded Stevens Initiative COIL Project, and visioning for the future role of the COIL Center in the growing field of virtual exchange.
JONATHON LITTLE

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Jonathan Little teaches courses in Geography and Geospatial Technology, coordinates the Geospatial Information Science & Technology (GIST) Program, and is a SUNY Online Teaching Ambassador. He is the Principal Investigator of a SUNY Innovative Instructional Technology Grant that developed remote workforce opportunities across New York State, Colombia, Costa Rica, Mexico, and Kazakhstan. He led implementation of a 100,000 Strong in the Americas grant with Fundación Universitaria Tecnológico Comfenalco in Colombia: “Monitoring Coastline Water Quality in Cartagena, Colombia Using GIS Technology and Spanish Consultants” (2018-19).

DR. NATESHA SMITH

RS103 Director, United States Military Academy, West Point NY

Dr. Smith is a senior higher education professional with experience working in Middle Eastern, East Asian, Caribbean, and North American higher education settings. Her research interests include the internationalization of higher education, the influence of organizational culture on student and faculty development, and the scholarship of teaching and learning. Her primary areas of teaching include student development, student cultures, organizational culture, academic advising, and global leadership. She will present about her COIL project involving partners in Venezuela.

DR. SOLANGE ISSA

Professor and Dean of Professional Studies, Simón Bolívar University

Dr. Issa is a Venezuelan biologist with a PhD in Entomology and a full professorship at Simón Bolívar University, where she has taught subjects such as urban entomology and pest management for more than 25 years. She works directly with social insects, specifically in behavior, ecology and diversity of termites.

MARIA-LUISA LÓPEZ

Professor
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Dr. López teaches graduate and undergraduate courses in Sustainability, Environmental and Industrial Engineering. Her current research concerns the design, automation and modeling of a solar dryer for a rural community, fostering civic engagement, civic professionalism and service learning. She has COILED several semesters with Professor Laura Penman (MCC-SUNY) and together they were awarded a 100,000 Strong the Americas Innovation Fund Grant in 2018.

LAURA N. PENMAN

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Laura Pennman has been teaching biology for Monroe Community College in Rochester, NY for twelve years. Laura frequently teaches courses in human biology, sustainability, and greenhouse management. She often incorporates global themes into her courses and has used interdisciplinary and cross-cultural collaborations to identify and analyze solutions to sustainability problems. Over the past five years, she has taught several COIL classes with Dr. María Luisa Lopez Segura at Tecnológico Nacional de México-Instituto Tecnológico de la Laguna. This partnership evolved into the delivery of intensive civic professionalism experiences for students that was supported by a 100,000 Strong in the Americas Innovation Fund grant.