

DIT Higher Education Policy Seminar Series

Internationalizing a Campus: A Case Study of the College of William and Mary



Internationalization efforts on college campuses are on the increase. Fulbright awards provide one venue in which faculty are able to immerse themselves into an international context, develop their teaching and research, and create and maintain connections for partnerships. The research presented in this seminar involved a study conducted in Ireland with both U.S. and Irish Fulbright scholars. A qualitative methodology was applied using a phenomenology design that included 10 scholars; four of these were Irish scholars who had Fulbright awards in the U.S.; and six were U.S. scholars with Fulbright awards in Ireland. The questions guiding the study sought to understand faculty learning in an international context. Ultimately, transformational learning occurred due to critical reflection by faculty members on their experiences. Implications for practice include bridging the faculty experience abroad with opportunities to enhance student learning, providing faculty development opportunities in advance of faculty leaving the country - to allow for enhanced learning, and building theory regarding the integration of learning for faculty members.

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Kim Brush & Leslie Bohon

Kim Brush and Leslie Bohon are PhD students at the College of William and Mary.

Date: Wednesday 20th June

Time: 4 - 5pm.

Venue: The Boardroom, 3rd Floor, DIT Cathal Brugha St, Dublin 1.
Tea, coffee and biscuits will be available. .

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