Integrating GNLEs in the Pre-Service Teacher Classroom and Beyond

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Globalizing Pre-Service Curriculum

- Need for global mindset in students
- Challenges to fit “global” in coursework
- Technology as a way to infuse global

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Global Classroom Initiative (GCI)

- Raise global awareness in pre-service teachers
- Integrate global content into pre-service curriculum
- Connect classrooms across borders using technology
- Encourage professional growth and leadership

Priorities of US Department of Education Title VI

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GCI Project Implementation

Elementary Pre-Service Teacher Education Course (75 students)

Global Education Module
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- In-class discussion
- Online dork (Readings, web searches, postings)
- In-class Skype sessions
- Global teaching materials development
- Professional development in global education
Florida Connected
Future of Education Technology Conference (FETC)
Online Global Education Conference (GEC)
Society for Information Technology and Teacher Education (SITE)
Collaboration for Online International Learning
Skype/Adobe Sessions

- American Cooperative School
  - La Paz, Bolivia

- Sagano Senior High School
  - Kyoto, Japan
Data Collection

• Elementary pre-service teacher feedback (Survey; n=66)
• Instructor interviews (n=2)
• Student artifacts (Global education lesson plans)
Has there been global content in any of the pre-service courses you have taken so far?

Yes: 60%
No: 29%
Not really: 9%
N/a: 2%

n=66

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Have you previously used Skype or other software in a classroom to connect to another country?

N=66
Was the Skype session in this course connecting to another country a useful learning tool?

N=66
Have the content and activities in this course influenced your perceptions of how global content might be integrated in a classroom?

N=66
## How Has the Content Influenced Student Perceptions?

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<td>Broaden student views</td>
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Do you think you will integrate global content into courses once you have your own classroom?

N=66
How Might You Integrate Global Content?

- Digital/virtual field trip
- Blogging
- Global classroom chats
- Skype
- PenPals
- Mapping
Expected Challenges

- Getting admin approval
- Fitting into core curriculum
- Communication issues
- Tech training
- Accurate information/true global perspectives
- Finding appropriate resources
- Students recognizing world differences

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Pre-Service Teacher Implementation/Graduate Student Perspective

Gators Going Global Project

Questions Answered
Here is my video answering the questions posed by Mr. Bell, Ms. Brown, and Ms. McClinton's 3rd grade class!
Next Steps...

- Continue implementing module
- Promote integration in pre-service curriculum
- Design projects connecting classrooms
Thank you!
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