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# The Nexus Between Higher Education and Practice

September 9 - 10, 2019

**Clayton State University** 

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Time	Monday 09/09/19	Tuesday 09/10/19
8:00AM -	Breakfast (CE,	Breakfast (CE, Spivey
9:00AM	Spivey Board Room)	Board Room)
9:00AM –	Welcome Remarks	Concurrent Sessions
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12:00PM- 1:30PM	Lunch (CE, Spivey Board Room)	Lunch (CE 101)
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5:00PM	Spivey Board Room)	203)
5:00PM- 6:15PM	Concurrent Sessions C (CE 325, 331)	
6:30PM- 8:30PM	Dinner (SAC, Ballroom A)	

#### **Program Chairs**

Dr. Reza Kheirandish, Clayton State University

Dr. Margaret Thompson, Clayton State University

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This conference aims at exploring ways to connect academicians with practitioners to ensure career-readiness of college graduates and in the rapidly changing global environment.

The challenge is multifaceted. On the one hand, colleges are finding it difficult to ensure that graduates are career-ready with skills demanded by employers today. At the same time, we are faced with trends toward more automation, robotization and digitization across industries, and that is expected to cause significant job disruptions. By some estimates, 75 million current job roles may be displaced by the shift in the division of labor from humans to machines and algorithms. But, almost twice as many new roles may emerge at the same time.

The proficiency in new technologies is only one part of the equation. The "soft skills," needed for success in this emerging environment is different from what is demanded by employers today. Experts suggest that creativity, originality, initiative, persuasion, resilience, emotional intelligence, and the ability to communicate effectively are a few examples of skills that will become more important in the future. If colleges are to stay relevant, educators must partner with practitioners to develop curricula that address these current challenges, while training their students to embrace lifelong learning so that they can thrive in their careers. More specifically, issues related to the broad theme of the conference include, but are not restricted to, the following:

- How can universities and industry practitioners partner in preparing career-ready graduates?
- How can academics partner with practitioners to continuously evolve academic curricula to ensure that graduates stay relevant to industry needs?
- What value propositions can create closer partnerships between educators and practitioners?
- How can academics maintain their currency through practice?
- What changes to the higher education infrastructure would be needed to stay relevant to emerging needs?
- Can traditional higher education institutions continue to stay relevant? If so, what are the imperatives to do so?
- What are effective ways to train students to be lifelong learners?
- What are international models of industry and academy partnerships that can be implemented globally?

#### **Conference Information**

#### Venue

Clayton State University, a unit of the University System of Georgia, is located 15 miles south of downtown Atlanta. The University has an enrollment of over 7,000 students. Conference events will be held in the Harry S. Downs Center and Student Activities Center.

#### Registration

Conference Registration will be held in the Harry S. Downs Center in the 2nd floor Lobby adjacent to Room 201.

#### Helpline / Contact Email

Should you need assistance regarding programming during the conference, please contact Dr. Reza Kheirandish at <u>rezakheirandish@clayton.edu</u> or (540) 230-7013. For logistics issues, please contact Ms. Dolores Cox at <u>dolorescox@clayton.edu</u> or (770) 833-2478.

#### Internet Access

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- Step 1: Connect to CSU Guest
- Step 2: Open a browser and open any non-CSU website. You should be redirected to the registration page.
- Step 3: Read the policy and agree to the acceptable use policy. Provide your name and a valid email for the verification code.
- Step 3b: You can also receive the verification code on your phone. Normal messaging rates may apply.
- Step 4: Enter your verification code.
- Step 5: A brief progress bar will appear.
- Step 6: Congratulations, you have successfully registered to the CSUGuest network!

#### **Conference Information**

#### **Concurrent Sessions and Session Chairs**

Papers are listed for each session with all authors.

The last presenter in each session will chair the session. The chair will monitor presentation length and questions so that all presenters have adequate and equal time to present and interact.

Session time indicators are located on the last two pages of the program. Should the last presenter listed on the program be absent, the preceding presenter will serve as session chair.

#### Breakfast, Lunch, and Coffee Breaks

Monday, September 9:	Breakfast, Lunch, and Coffee Breaks in Harry S. Downs Center Spivey Board Room, CE 201
Tuesday, September 10	Breakfast and Coffee Breaks in Harry S. Downs Center Spivey Board Room, CE 201 Lunch in Harry S. Downs Center Ballroom, CE 101
<b>Dinner</b> Monday, September 9:	Dinner in Student Activities Center Ballroom A

#### Visitor Information

Please feel free to call or visit the Morrow Tourist Center to learn about attractions in metropolitan Atlanta as well as restaurants and sightseeing in the local vicinity. The Center is located 1 ½ miles from Clayton State at 6475 Jonesboro Road (Hwy. 54), and they may be reached by phone at (770) 968-1623 or online: <a href="https://www.cityofmorrow.com/tourism.asp">https://www.cityofmorrow.com/tourism.asp</a>

#### АТМ

An ATM is located on the first floor of the James M. Baker University Center near the Laker Card Center just past the Lakeside Dining Hall.

#### **Smoking and Alcohol Policy**

Clayton State University is a Tobacco Free Campus. Smoking is prohibited everywhere in ALL University buildings and ALL exterior areas of campus, including parking lots. Alcohol consumption is prohibited everywhere on campus.

8:00 – 17:00	<b>Registration</b> Harry S. Downs Center, Lobby
8:00 – 9:00	Breakfast Harry S. Downs Center, Room 201
9:00 – 10:15	<b>Opening Remarks and Welcome</b> Harry S. Downs Center, Room 203
	Dean Jacob Chacko College of Business Clayton State University
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	Dr. K Sundararaman, CEO Sri Krishna Arts & Science College
	Dr. Ganesan Palanisamy School of Business Vellore Institute of Technology
	Dr. Reza Kheirandish Clayton State University
10:15 - 10:45	<b>Coffee Break</b> Harry S. Downs Center, Room 201

10:45 – 12:00 Concurrent Sessions – Session A Harry S. Downs Center Room 331

#### A1 Education in the Global Economy I

Globalization on Indian Education K. Sundararaman (Sri Krishna Arts & Science College) and R. Vijayasamundeswari (Sri Krishna Arts & Science College)

Adapting for surviving host country crises: A case study of Venezuela's multinational subsidiaries Fernando Garcia (Dalton State College), Pedro Duarte (Universidad de Carbobo), Carolina Hammontree (Dalton State College) and Marilyn Helms (Dalton State College)

Corporate Partnerships: A key to success of Business Schools Jacob Chacko (Clayton State University), Margaret Thompson (Clayton State University) and Crystal Butler (Clayton State University)

10:45 – 12:00 Concurrent Sessions – Session A Harry S. Downs Center Room 325

#### A2 Higher Education and Industry I

The Emerging Divide Between International Business Scholarship Patterns and the Need for Pragmatism in The Classroom Suresh George (Coventry University) and Todd Friends (Whitworth University)

On the Same Page? A Comparison of Current Topics of Interest to Academic vs. Practicing Accountants Lou Orchard (Clayton State University), Andrew Sbaraglia (Clayton State University), Khamis Bilbeisi

Sbaraglia (Clayton State University), Khamis Bilbeisi (Clayton State University) and Micah Grant (University of West Florida)

Accreditation is Boon or Bane? Indian Business School Students Perspective Ganesan Palanisamy (Vellore Institute of Technology), Goutam Kumar Kundu (Vellore Institute of Technology) and Syed Khalid Perwez (Vellore Institute of Technology)

12:00 – 13:30 Lunch Harry S. Downs Center Room 201/203

13:30 – 14:45 Panel Discussion Harry S. Downs Center Room 203

Creating Synergy in Corporate-University Partnerships

Facilitator Margaret Thompson

#### Panelists

Greg Campbell Senior Regional Operations Manager FASTENAL COMPANY

Stephenie T. Lane Principal Recruiter, Southeast Region TALENT ACQUISITION

Steven Roembke District Manager FASTENAL COMPANY

Evelyn Ragan Swanson Director, Talent Management CORE & MAIN

14:45 – 15:15Coffee BreakHarry S. Downs Center, Room 201

15:15 – 16:30 Concurrent Sessions – Session B Harry S. Downs Center Room 331

#### **B1** Career Preparedness

Assessing the Academy's Strengths in Providing Career-Ready Graduates Maria L. Bullen (San Jose State University), Gregory S. Kordecki (Clayton State University) and Elizabeth D. Capener (San Jose State University)

Student Participation in Industry Associations Carin Lightner-Laws (Clayton State University), Keith Miller (Clayton State University) and Craig Hill (Clayton State University)

Identifying the critical barriers to implementation of project-based learning in higher education programs Goutam Kumar Kundu (Vellore Institute of Technology), Ganesan Palanisamy (Vellore Institute of Technology) and Syed Khalid Perwez (Vellore Institute of Technology)

15:15 – 16:30 Concurrent Sessions – Session B Harry S. Downs Center Room 325

#### B2 The Curriculum in Higher Education I

A Best Practice Model for Integrating and Deploying an Experimental design to Evaluate Higher Education

Saraswathy S (Sri Krishna Arts & Science College), Hemapriya K E (Sri Krishna Arts & Science College) and Priyadharsini Ranganathan (Sri Krishna Arts & Science College)

Linking Learning to Career Transition through Self-Assessments: Personal, Relationship Building and Social Architect Ray Smith (Dalton State College)

Clubbed efforts of industry-academy association: An analysis of sustainable models Brindha Ganesan (Sri Krishna Arts & Science College), Julian Gnana Dhas C (Sri Krishna Arts & Science College) and Devika Ponnusamy (Sri Krishna Arts & Science College) to be presented by Sharmila

16:30 – 17:00 Coffee Break Harry S. Downs Center Room 201

17:00 – 18:15 Concurrent Sessions – Session C Harry S. Downs Center Room 331

#### C1 The Curriculum in Higher Education II

Challenges of Indian higher education from a student's perspective Rinsey Antony (Sri Krishna Arts & Science College)

Role on Outcome Based Education and Skill Assessment Methodologies in Higher Education Institutions Meena Preethi Balasundaram (Sri Krishna Arts & Science College) and Sunitha C (Sri Krishna Arts & Science College)

All Students Need to Learn Conflict Resolution Skills Judith Ogden (Clayton State University) and Louis Benedict (Bowling Green State University)

17:00 – 18:15 Concurrent Sessions – Session C Harry S. Downs Center Room 325

#### C2 Higher Education and Industry II

Leveraging Professional Associations in Curriculum Development: A Five Step Guide to Ensure Industry Validity Eric Sartell (Whitworth University)

Strengthening the Quality of Higher Education through Research at the Institution and Industry Environment

S. Devaraju (Sri Krishna Arts & Science College), S. Jawahar (Sri Krishna Arts & Science College), U. Ramya (Sri Krishna Arts & Science College)

Skill Enhancement in Higher Education towards bridging gap between Institution and Industry Saravana Prakash D (Sri Krishna Arts & Science College), Dr Logeswari P (Sri Krishna Arts & Science College) and Kowsalya S (Sri Krishna Arts & Science College)

18:30 – 20:30 Dinner Student Activities Center Ballroom A

#### **Schedule for ICHEI 2019**

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#### Tuesday 09/10/19 - Harry S. Downs Center (CE) Building

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- 3:15PM 4:30PM Presentation & Panel (CE 203)
- 4:30PM 5:00PM Closing Remarks (CE 203)

- 8:00 12:00 Registration Harry S. Downs Center, Lobby
- 8:00 9:00 Breakfast Harry S. Downs Center, Room 201
- 9:00 10:15 Concurrent Sessions Session D Harry S. Downs Center Room 331

#### D1 Lifelong Learning and Logistics

Higher order thinking: Online course delivery to achieve long-term knowledge acquisition of business skills Joie Hain (Clayton State University, Wendy Ritz (Florida State at Panama City) and Anita Whiting (Clayton State University)

Competency Assessment and Fortitude for Lifelong Learning - The Study among Graduate Students and Higher Educational Institutions in Coimbatore District Rajan P (Sri Krishna Arts & Science College), Lakshminriva Soundararajan (Sri Krishna Arts &

Lakshmipriya Soundararajan (Sri Krishna Arts & Science College) and S. Sharmila Priya (Sri Krishna Arts & Science College)

Logistics 4.0 and Smart Supply Chain Management in Retail Industry – An Explorative Study Dr. Stephan Thangaiah (Vellore Institute of Technology) and Vasumathi Arumugam (Vellore Institute of Technology)

9:00 – 10:15 Concurrent Sessions – Session D Harry S. Downs Center Room 325

#### D2 The Curriculum in Higher Education III

Industry-university collaborations: Facilitating internships via a multi-disciplinary minor Robert Burgess (Georgia Institute of Technology) and Craig Hill (Clayton State University)

Leaders of Higher Educational Institutions-Transition and Challenges P. Baby Shakila (Sri Krishna Arts & Science College) and S. Sharmila Priya (Sri Krishna Arts & Science College)

Does Market Visioning Competence Mediate or Moderate the Relationship Between Entrepreneurial Orientation and Product Innovativeness? John Stowell (Clayton State University)

**10:15 – 10:45 Coffee Break** Harry S. Downs Center, Room 201

10:45 – 12:00 Concurrent Sessions – Session E Harry S. Downs Center Room 331

#### E1 Education in the Global Economy II

Africa's higher education: Financing, growth and employment Aloysius Amin (Clayton State University)

Developing networking skills in international market selection projects: An institutional theory approach Todd Friends (Whitworth University) and Dawn Keig (Whitworth University)

*Firm Performance and the MNE as a portfolio of country institutional environments* Victor Marshall (Dalton State College)

10:45 – 12:00 Concurrent Sessions – Session E Harry S. Downs Center Room 325

#### E2 Career Readiness and Local Economy

Career Competencies for Collaborative Growth of Universities and Industries Henry Kishore (Sri Krishna Arts & Science College)

Career Readiness: Piloting a Successful Program in a College of Business Margaret A Thompson (Clayton State University) and Crystal Butler (Clayton State University)

Could universities help local governments with their economic development plans? Reza Kheirandish (Clayton State University), Craig Hill (Clayton State University) and Amy Patel (Clayton State University)

12:00 – 13:30 Lunch Harry S. Downs Center Room 101

13:30 – 14:45 Concurrent Sessions – Session F Harry S. Downs Center Room 331

# F1 Critical Thinking, Accreditation, and University Mergers

Does Accreditation affect student enrollment? A study on Indian Business Schools Ganesan Palanisamy (Vellore Institute of Technology) and Sivakumar Alur (Vellore Institute of Technology)

Critical Thinking in Economics: Alternative Assumptions and the Perry Framework Jesse Zinn (Clayton State University)

University Mergers: Do they Make Financial Sense? Analyzing the Georgia Experiment George Nakos (Clayton State University) and Krissa Nakos (Kantar International)

13:30 – 14:45 Concurrent Sessions – Session F Harry S. Downs Center Room 325

#### F2 Educational Psychology, Cultural Competence, and preventive Maintenance Planning

Role of Educational Psychology in Higher Education Institutions and Industry Academia Collaboration: A New Perspective to Enhance Learning and Skills in India

Syed Khalid Perwez (Vellore Institute of Technology), Ganesan P (Vellore Institute of Technology) and Goutam Kumar Kundu (Vellore Institute of Technology)

The need for cultural competence in business education Mario Norman (Clayton State University) and Kenneth Kungu (Clayton State University)

A multi-objective model for integrated production and preventive maintenance planning Kamran Moghaddam (Clayton State University)

#### 13:30 – 14:45 Concurrent Sessions – Session F

#### F3 Other Topics

An analysis on the students' preference towards global universities for higher education Reena R (Sri Krishna Arts & Science College) and Swetha Parthasarathy (PSG College of Arts & Science)

Role of online portals in enhancing higher education – A study with special reference to Coimbatore city Vidya M (Sri Krishna Arts & Science College) and Preethi B (Sri Krishna Arts & Science College)

Stress among students studying in higher education institutes (HEIs) in India Syed Khalid Perwez (Vellore Institute of Technology)

14:45 – 15:15 Coffee Break Harry S. Downs Center, Room 201

15:15 – 16:30 Presentation and Panel Harry S. Downs Center Room 203

Engaging Business and Education to Promote Innovation

#### **Facilitator Q&A**

Margaret Thompson

#### **Panelists**

Minna LeVine, Founder SMART Education Exchange

Tana Torrano, Founder SMART Education Exchange

16:30 – 17:00 Closing Remarks Harry S. Downs Center Room 201

## NOTES

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Sessions	Session 1 CE 331	Session 2 CE 325
Concurrent Sessions A Mon. 10:45- 12:00	Education in the Global Economy I	The Higher Education and Industry I
Concurrent Sessions B Mon. 15:15- 16:30	Career Preparedness	The Curriculum in Higher Education I
Concurrent Sessions C Mon. 17:00- 18:15	The Curriculum in Higher Education II	The Higher Education and Industry II
Concurrent Sessions D Tue. 9:00- 10:15	Lifelong Learning and Logistics	The Curriculum in Higher Education III
Concurrent Sessions E Tue. 10:45- 12:00	Education in the Global Economy II	Career Readiness and Local Economy
Concurrent Sessions F Tue. 13:30- 14:45	Critical Thinking, Accreditation, and University Mergers	Educational Psychology, Cultural Competence, and Preventive Maintenance Planning

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