Announcing the Final Examination of Ms. Susan B. Jordan for the degree of Doctor of Education

Date: October 31, 2013

Time: 10:00 a.m. Room: ED 328

Dissertation title: Application of Multicultural Concepts in Early Elementary Classrooms

This study investigated the educational process from knowledge acquisition of multicultural and global concepts to implementation of that knowledge by senior interns in elementary school classrooms. The first part of the study analyzed 54 responses to the researcher-designed questionnaire; the second part analyzed field data from six interns and their classrooms.

The questionnaire covered relationships between interns' perceived competencies in multicultural and global education and level of knowledge, strength of beliefs, amount of crosscultural experience, ethnicity of the classroom and perceived external factors in the school. Findings showed that there was no relationship between perceived competencies and the other variables. A positive relationship was found between application and the amount of executive control. A negative relationship was found between application and perceived competencies.

Recommendations were made for modification and future applications of the instruments used in the study and for continued research in the various stages of the student-to-teacher educational process.

Outline of Studies:

Major: Curriculum and Instruction

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The public is welcome to attend.

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