

# 2024 STAR Global Conference

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Online Program Details

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## International Transformative Educational Research Network (ITERN)

## Online Conference Program

### General Program Framework

#### Sunday, 8 December 2024 (Time GMT +5:45, NST Time)

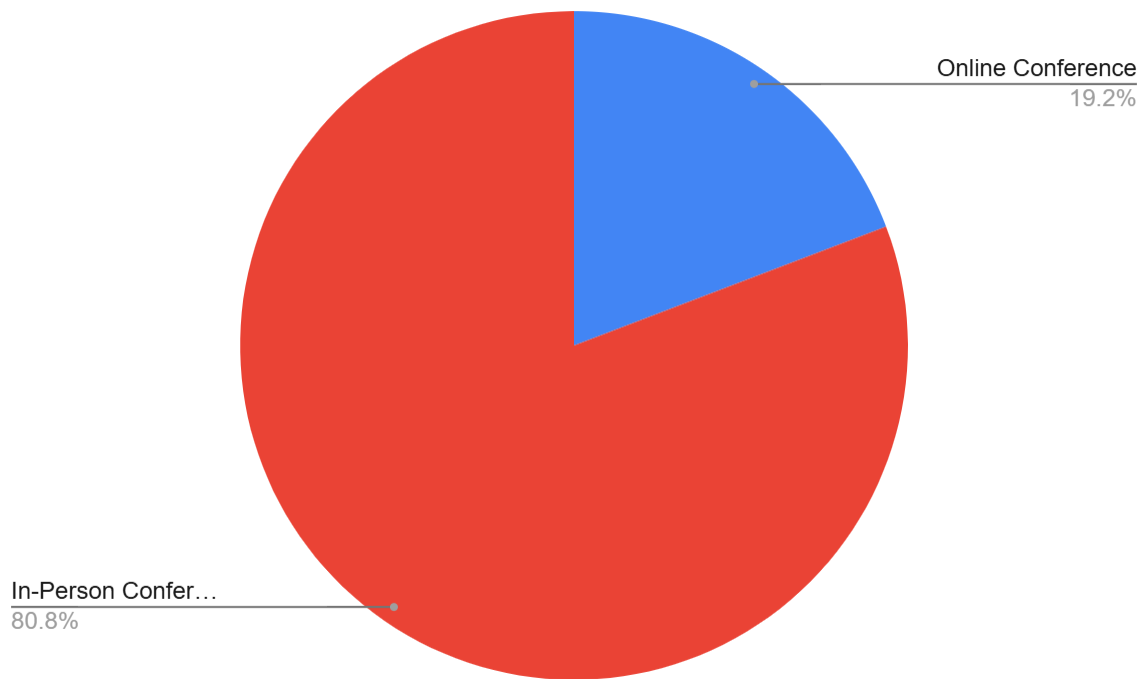
16:50-17:00	Conference Main Room Open with Nepali Music
17:00-17:30	Opening Ceremony (Main Room)
17:30-18:10	Keynotes Address (Parallel Sessions)
18:10-18:35	Distinguished Speakers Addressal (Parallel Sessions)
18:35-18:45	Moving Break
18:45-19:30	Workshop (Parallel Sessions)
19:30-21:00	Paper Presentation (Parallel Sessions)

#### Monday, 9 December 2024 (Time GMT +5:45, NST Time)

17:25-17:35	Conference Main Room Open with Nepali Music
17:35-18:15	Keynote
18:15-18:40	Arts-based Performance
18:40-18:50	Moving Break
18:50-19:05	Book Talk (Parallel Sessions)
19:05-20:35	Paper Presentation (Parallel Sessions)
20:35-20:45	Moving Break
20:45-21:25	Closing Keynote
21:25-21:35	Closing

<b>Highlights of the 2024 STARGC Online Conference Program</b>	
Countries	13
Keynotes	9
Distinguished Speakers	5
Paper Presentations (Different themes and sub-themes)	62
Book Talks	4
Workshop	3

Participating countries: **USA, Nepal, South Africa, Pakistan, Argentina, Greece, Jamaica, India, Japan, Nigeria, Australia, Mauritius, and Spain**



**Google Meet Rooms Info (The Google Meeting Room is available to those who have received invitations.)**

**Room 1**

<https://meet.google.com/qgb-oyno-ixk>

**Room 2**

<https://meet.google.com/qjr-qxup-pmv>

**Room 3**

<https://meet.google.com/zai-hxqt-jyd>

**Room 4**

<https://meet.google.com/njg-gqps-fyf>

**Note:** All scheduled times are in GMT +5:45 (Nepal Standard Time). The conference sessions are in the evening time of Nepal Standard Time. The blue text in the document is hyperlinked to the specific locations and virtual rooms of the conference.

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## Detailed Program

**Sunday, 8 December 2024 (Time GMT +5:45, NST Time) (Day 1)**

16:50-17:00	Conference Main Room Open with Nepali Music			
17:00-17:30	<b>Opening Ceremony (Room 1)</b>			
	MC—Sarita Khadka KU Anthem –2 min audio (Bibek Bhandari) STAR— Krishna Bista (10 min) KU—Bal Chandra Luitel (10 min) Program Overview (Niroj Dahal) (5 min)			
	<b>Keynotes Address (Parallel Sessions)</b>			
	Room 1 Session Moderator: Bharat Prasad Neupane	Room 2 Session Moderator: Siddhartha Dhungana	Room 3 Session Moderator: Tikaram Poudel	Room 4 Session Moderator: Hira Lal Kapar
17:30-18:10	Engaging Students: Student Stories on What Works and Why  # Dr. Christine Harrington  Video Link-- <a href="https://youtu.be/K04FPGSrs84">https://youtu.be/K04FPGSrs84</a>	Redefining Global Citizenship Education: A South Asian Perspective  # Mousumi Mukherjee	Educating Communities, Leaders, and Practitioners on Inner Transformation Skills in a Rapidly Changing Environment Amidst Growing Disasters and Disorienting Dilemmas # Prof. Bishal K Sitaula	Navigating cultural differences in academic contexts for students, faculty, and staff  # Prof. Elena de Prada Creo
	<b>Distinguished Speakers Addressal (Parallel Sessions)</b>			
	Room 1 Session Moderator: Indra Mani Shrestha	Room 2 Session Moderator: Indra Mani Rai	Room 3 Session Moderator: Mahendra Thapa	Room 4 Session Moderator: Roshani Rajbanshi
18:10-18:35	Enhancing STEAM Education Through Media Arts: A Multidisciplinary Approach  # Dr. Sahar Aghasafari	Emerging Challenges in International Politics and Need for a new Social Contract Within Liberal Democracies  # Prof. Dr. Amna Mahmood	Project-Based Learning: A Catalyst for Transformative and Sustainable Education in the 21st Century  # Dr. Meghna Mehndroo	Outcomes of transformative research and education: Finding a Balance between Hedonia and Eudaimonia  # Dr. Viraiyan Teeroovengadum

18:35-18:45	Moving Break			
18:45-19:30	Workshop (Parallel Sessions)			
	Room 1 Session Moderator: Sarita Khadka	Room 2 Session Moderator: Noor Jung Shah	Room 3 Session Moderator: Laxman Luitel	Room 4 <b>(Distinguished Speaker Addressal—25 min)</b> Session Moderator: Shree Krishan Wagley
	SCC & Achieving the Dream: Strategic Planning for Student Success # John Harper	Divergent Minds, Strategies That Binds # Marcela Cecilia Danowski	Writing for Publications in Journals and Books: Tips and Tricks for Teacher-Scholars, Practitioners, and Graduate Students from the STAR Scholars Press # Dr. Roy Y. Chan	Cultivating Resilience: Emotional Labor and Psychological Well-being in Higher Education #Dr. Tahira Bibi
19:30-21:00	Paper Presentation (Parallel Sessions)			
	Room 1 Session Moderator: Hira Lal Kapar	Room 2 Session Moderator: Sarita Khadka	Room 3 Session Moderator: Pratiba Rai	Room 4 Session Moderator: Bibek Bhandari
	Using Training Knowledge and Skills in the Classroom: Public School Teachers' Perspectives # Prem Shintan	Developing Culturally Sensitive Communicators: Addressing Challenges in Greek Higher Education Language Curricula # Ourania Katsara	Unfolding An Educational Dimension in Interior Design on Spatial Advancement: A Narrative Study # Samiksha Agrawal	Epistemicide in Mathematics Education in Nepal: An Auto/ethnographic Exploration # Basanta Raj Lamichhane
	A Retrospective Look After 10 Years: Exploring Leadership Development Through Short-Term Study Abroad Experiences # Marcia Sun	English-Specialized University Teachers' Lived Experiences of Using ICT for Professional Development # Rajan Kumar Kandel	Bhutanese Refugee Crisis in Nepal; a Cause of the Political Identity Jealousy of Ngalongs and the Ruling Elites: A Narrative	Navigating Teachers' Perspectives and Strategies for Nurturing Workplace Wellbeing #Chet Nath Panta

		Education Rights vs. Foreign Employment Policies: A Balancing Act in Nepal # Santosh Mahato	Inquiry On-Being Non-National, Statelessness and Third Country Resettlement # Bishnu Magar	Integrating STEAM Approaches in Early Childhood Development # Durga Rajya Laxmi Pradhan
	Architectural Strategies for Enhancing Taman Baca Masyarakat: Designing Inclusive Spaces for Lifelong Learning and Community Engagement # Dian Awaliyah	Design and Fabrication of Electric Lawn Mower # Pawan Neupane	Enhancing Learning through School-Family-Community Collaboration # Medin Bahadur Lamichhane	Gender Inequality in Nepal's School Education Leadership: Addressing the Disparity # Manita Oli
	The Challenges of Designing an ESP Course: Perceptions of Argentinean EFL Trainee Teachers # Marina Falasca	A Harmonized Framework of Standards and Practices for Teacher Education Curriculum Quality Assurance # Riomar G. Obliopas	Teachers' Perceptions and Experiences of Integrating Critical Thinking into Language Education: A Systematic Review # Daya Ram Gaudel	A systematic review on Socio-emotional connectedness of school students and other associated factors. # Sarbani Mitra
	Exploring Multilingual English Language Teaching in Rural North India: Implications of NEP 2020 #Parvesh Sharma	Implementing a Hybrid CHAT-Inspired Model to Enhance International Student Success in Canadian Higher Education # Irene Torres-Arends	Enhancing Computer Science Engagement Through STEAM-Based Learning # Kedar Bhandari	Exploring Formative Assessment Practices and Challenges Faced by Social Studies Teachers in Grade 4-8 in Nepal #Chinta Mani Basnet
	Assessment of the reservation policy in Nepal Civil Service in relation to education # Rita Lamsal	Impact of Integrating Art-Based Pedagogy in Science Classroom for Motivating Students' Learning: Participatory Action Research # Nimisha Ghimire	Designing and implementing pedagogical approach for progressive learning in education for management students: A Participatory	Enhancing Learning Outcomes to Foster Student Engagement in Institutional Growth and Global Context Requires Innovative Pedagogies that Addresses Homefront Factors #Antony Kinyua

	Academic Integrity in the Age of ChatGPT: Voices from the Field #Shu Wan	The Intersection of Critical Race Theory and Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Initiatives in Community Colleges: A Framework for Advancing Racial Equity in Higher Education # Bria Sykes	Action Research # Yashodha Basnet	Role of Principal's Leadership in Teacher Retention in Private Schools in Nepal # Mukunda Kumar Giri
	Holistic Education for Learners in Teaching Learning Practices # Laxmi Siwakoti		Exploring ChatGPT Adoption and Impact in American Higher Education # Karla Bailey	Developing Reading Culture Through Booktube #Raj Chaudhary

### Monday, 9 December 2024 (Time GMT +5:45, NST Time) (Day 2)

17:25-17:35	Conference Rooms Open with Nepali Music			
	Keynotes Address (Parallel Sessions)			
17:35-18:15	Room 1 Session Moderator: Laxman Luitel	Room 2 Session Moderator: Indra Mani Shrestha	Room 3 Session Moderator: Nimesh Shrestha	Room 4 Session Moderator: Bibek Bhandari
	Ableism, Intellectual Disabilities, and Higher Education in India # Prof. Dr. Banibrata Mahanta	Making a community a living laboratory (LakbayLapis2019): A Rural Agri-Education Advocacy towards Climate Action and Ecopedagogical Literacies the Philippine Context # Arlyne C. Marasigan	Exploring the Obstacles, Drivers and Lubricants of the PhD Pursuits of English Professionals in Nepali Universities # Prof. Laxman Gnawali	Leadership during times of Uncertainty, Change, and Crisis: Requirements and Expectations # Dr. Edward J. Valeau
18:15-18:25	Moving Break			
	Book Talk (Parallel Sessions)			
18:25-18:45	Room 1 Session Moderator: Laxman Luitel	Room 2 Session Moderator: Roshani Rajbanshi	Room 3 Session Moderator: Nimesh Shrestha	Room 4 Session Moderator: Siddhartha Dhungana
	"Current Perspectives on Intercultural and Global Competence": Insights from the	"The Man Who Knew Infinity: A life of the Genius Ramanujan" by Robert Kanigel # Bhanu Bhakta	Current Trends in Global Education: Bridging K-12 and Higher Education for an	Uncommon Wisdom for Common Time # Narayan Prasad Paudel



	World Council on Intercultural and Global Competence Community # Mizuho Tatebayashi	<a href="#">Khadka</a>	Interconnected World # Marina Falasca and Karina J. Baum	
	Paper Presentation (Parallel Sessions)			
	Room 1 Session Moderator: Laxman Luitel	Room 2 Session Moderator: Bibek Bhandari/Samiksha Hada	Room 3 Session Moderator: Nimesh Shrestha	Room 4 Session Moderator: Shree Krishna Wagle
18:45-20:35	Flipped Mathematics Classroom: Transforming Traditional Practices and Outcomes #Dr. Deependra Budhathoki	Supporting Teachers to Adopt Art-Based Pedagogy in Grade 10 Science Teaching: An Action Research Study # Rabina Maharjan	Elevated Cardiovascular Risk Among Postmenopausal Women in Nepal # Sujata Sharma	Transforming Research to Advance its Social Purposes # Prof. Shyam Sharma
	Navigation in the Dynamic Internationalization Landscape of Post-Covid-19 Higher Education to Improve Institutional Reputation in Service Delivery #Lizl Steynberg	Reflections on Recent Pedagogical Innovations in the field of law in India: An analysis # Garima Singh	Women Teachers' Voice on Quitting Jobs from School in Nepal # Bibha Jha	Artificial Intelligence in Nepali Classrooms: Teacher Perspectives and Challenges in Secondary Education # Kabita Baral
	Community Engagement and Lifelong Learning in Higher Education # Dr. Johnson N	Sustainability and Legal Education: A Study of Select Law Schools from India # Navjeet Sidhu Kundal	Research on Exploring the Professional Stories of Female English Language Teachers Teaching in Higher Education Level in Nepal # Nilam Banjade	Examining Foreign Language Classroom Anxiety of Saudi International Students Attending Colleges in the United States of America # Shahinaz Alkhaldi
	Global South Academic Research Genre and Narratives: Afro-Asia and Australia Lived Experiences # Iliyasu Bui	Developing Reading Culture through Booktube # Raj Chaudhary	Policy Framework for Renewable Education in Mixed Classrooms: A Study of Community Schools in Nepal Krishna Prasad Bhattarai Assistant	Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) Competencies for better student performance # Mahendra Thapa

	<p>Gender Mainstreaming in Legal Language # Garima Singh</p> <p>Exploring Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA): A Case Study in Policy Development and Impact # Marcia Sun</p> <p>Interspirituality in Higher Education: A Foundational Construct for Sustainable Peace in the World # Hari Chandra Kamali</p>	<p>Developing Eco-centric Consciousness among Bangladeshi English Language Learners: Encouraging Environmental Sustainability via Green Contents # Sonia Sharmin</p> <p>Architectural Strategies for Enhancing Taman Baca Masyarakat: Designing Inclusive Spaces for Lifelong Learning and Community Engagement # Dian Awaliyah</p> <p>Navigating Dreams Abroad: Education Mobility Aspirations of Nepali Youths in Japan #Sanjaya Karki</p>	<p>Lecturer Butwal Multiple Campus # Krishna Bhattarai</p> <p>Navigating the Numbers: Understanding and Alleviating Math Anxiety Among College Students #Rajendra Bista</p> <p>Exploring Secondary Level Teachers' Performance and Transformation in Mathematics Lab: A Narrative Inquiry # Bhupendra Chaulagain</p> <p>Engaging Communities, Leaders, and Practitioners: Advancing Transformative Research and Education # Narayan Shrestha</p>	<p>Empowering Parents' Role Towards Digital Wellbeing of Preschoolers; An Action Research # Rubina Bishunke</p> <p>Hearing Students' Voices: Access, Use Pattern and Attitudes towards Generative AI Technologies among Chinese Students # Angela Xia</p> <p>Revitalizing Social Literacy Practices in Nepal # Jagdish Paudel</p>
20:35-20:45	Moving Break			
20:45-21:25	<p>Closing Keynote (Register at <a href="https://morganstate.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJcldcChrToqEtAO1okeLRJs5rsmsiJAPPW3#/registration">https://morganstate.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJcldcChrToqEtAO1okeLRJs5rsmsiJAPPW3#/registration</a>)</p> <p>Resisting the Far Right and Neoliberal Agenda in Education # Prof. Henry Giroux</p> <p><b>Introducing keynote speakers by Krishna Bista</b></p>			
21:25-21:35	<p>Closing Thanking Note</p> <p>Krishna Bista (4 min)</p> <p>Hem Raj Kafle (4 min)</p>			