

Early Childhood Studies Degrees Network Research Conference
Contemporary Issues in Early Childhood Research:
Critical Perspectives in Early Childhood Education and Care



Day Three – Friday 23rd April 2021
9.30 – 13.25

Time	Session	Title	Presenter(s)
9.30 – 9.45	Welcome	Intro & Purpose of Conference	ECSDN Co-Chairs: Philippa Thompson & Alex Sabine
9.45 – 10.25	Keynote	Formalised Curiosity: Poking and Prying with Purpose	Chair: Aaron Bradbury Dr Valerie Daniel
10.25 – 10.30	Comfort Break		
10.30 – 11.50	Block 1 Presentations		Chair: Dr Jackie Musgrave
<i>Duration of each presentation: 15 minutes followed by 5 minutes Q & A session</i>			
	Presentation 1	Surveillance of Modern Motherhood: Experiences of Universal Parenting Courses	Dr Helen Simmons, University of Derby
	Presentation 2	Stories from the Sandpit - Telling the narratives of Early Years Teachers experiences in employment.	Amanda Tayler, Staffordshire University
	Presentation 3	Just a T.A	Marie Bradwell, Plymouth Marjon University
	Presentation 4	LGBTQIA+ Representation in the Early Years	Aaron Bradbury, Nottingham Trent University

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11.50 – 12.00	Comfort Break		
12.00 – 12.40	Block 2 Presentations		Chair: Dr Helen Perkins
	Introduction	Why Fund Research?	Pamela Calder
<i>Duration of each presentation: 15 minutes followed by 5 minutes Q & A session</i>			
	Presentation 5	Exploring practitioner, academics and student perspectives of Early Childhood Studies Degrees Graduate Practitioner Competencies (Pilot) in building professional identities and relationships	Dr Tanya Richardson, University of Northampton Sigrid Brogaard Clausen, University of Roehampton and Su Wall, University of Derby
	Presentation 6:	The Early Childhood education and care sector's perspective on the Early Childhood Studies graduate and the Graduate Practitioner Competencies – update on research	Dr Nikki Fairchild, Alex Sabine & Sarah Barton, University of Portsmouth and Eva Mikuska, University of Chichester
12.40 – 12.45	Comfort Break		
12.45 – 12.55	<p>Opportunities for ECS students and others in Germany.</p> <p>How members of the Network can engage with Linda and her team and an opportunity to hear about her practice.</p>	<p>Linda Mentner https://mein.familienservice.de/detail-page/-/pme/omr0sbHWJX8n/content/ueber-uns/20143</p> <p>About the employer https://www.familienservice.de/web/kleine-wolkensturmer/our-centre</p> <p>Website of the day-care centre in Bonn https://mein.familienservice.de/detail-page/-/pme/omr0sbHWJX8n/content/02-leitbild/20143</p> <p>Mission statement</p>	<p>Chair: Dr Helen Perkins</p>

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12.55 – 13.15	Plenary	<p>What are the messages from our presentations for the child/families/practice/pedagogy/policy government and policy in settings</p> <p>Asking the ‘so what?’ question, from the presentations this morning, what are the implications for practice?</p>	<p>Chair: Dr Jackie Musgrave & Dr Helen Perkins</p>
13.15 – 13.30	Final Comments	<p>The Way Forward Review of Conference Series Thanks to All</p>	<p>Philippa Thompson Dr Jackie Musgrave Dr Helen Perkins</p>
13.30	Close of Conference		