



# HTLC Newsletter

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## ORATE Conference

On March 10th, three aspiring educators and a committee member traveled to Portland, OR to present at the Oregon Association of Teacher Educators (ORATE) Conference. Tayah Sager, Julissa Taitano, Mindy Welsh, and Sean Corrigan showcased a poster board presentation titled, *Using Holistic Practices to Build Community & Relationships in Teacher Education*.

These student committee members were able to testify about the power of deep, meaningful relationships at Southern Oregon University's School of Education. Our Center for Holistic Education has laid the foundation for aspiring educators to build authentic relationships not only with other aspiring educators, but faculty, staff, and our wider holistic community. With a recognition of

core qualities and character strengths, our students are granted permission to lead the future of educators by modeling soul-enriching community building.

Presenters:



Tayah Sager



Mindy Welsh



Julissa Taitano

## OEA Winter Retreat

On February 18th, a group of eight aspiring educators from the Holistic Teaching & Learning Club were able to join together for a fun weekend of learning and networking in Newport,

OR for the Oregon Education Association's annual Winter Retreat. Members were able connect with aspiring educators from other Oregon chapters.



Our members found value in learning from facilitators during breakout presentations that focused on different relevant subject matter. They were given tools to become more engaged members in our Union.

Scan this QR code to view our Club's TikTok:



# Monthly Features

## SEL Microcredential Workshops



### Registration Now Open

The Center for Holistic Education is offering a new pathway to the SEL Microcredential consisting of a series of workshops for current Southern Oregon University students and also HTLC community members.

Workshop #1, SEL Strategies for the K-12 Classroom, is a two-part introductory workshop series exploring methods for integrating Social Emotional Learning (SEL) practices into the K-12 classroom. There will be ample time given for class discussion, breakout groups, and practical exercises. These events will be hosted by Nick Oredson, Kim Harphem, and Dr. William Greene, who will present all things SEL--holistically.

- Session 1: Saturday, April 29th, 2023 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
- Session 2: Saturday, May 6th, 2023 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

For students, register for ED 399: SEL Strategies for the K-12 Classroom.

For community members, email Nick Oredson at [oredsonn@sou.edu](mailto:oredsonn@sou.edu) to register and earn up to 8 Professional Development Units (PDUs) or credits.

## Holistic Education Discussion

Andrea Laubstein has invited you to join her bi-monthly Holistic Education Discussion. These discussions are free and open to anyone interested in holistic education and expanding our understanding of holistic living and learning. Each gathering has been facilitated by a guest who has shared specific topics and then held the space as they moved into a discussion. These discussions are meant to be a space for us to learn and grow together. There is a spirit of inquiry in which we aren't seeking a single answer, but looking together with curiosity and openness.

### Most Recent Discussions:

- Nick Oredson, *Social Emotional Learning as a Way of Life*
- Thea Canby & Nicole Gustafson, *Our Resilient Community*
- Michael Carberry, *Striving for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Our Learning Communities*
- Paul Feather and Terra Currie, *Stewards of Land and Learning*

If you are interested in watching or listening to any of the recordings of any of the past discussions, you can email Andrea at [andrealaubstein@gmail.com](mailto:andrealaubstein@gmail.com)

## Study Abroad

Our Center for Holistic Education is excited to announce that we will host the Dingle Global Education study abroad trip this Summer in Dingle, Ireland, from July 8th - 22nd, 2023.

Experience the cultural richness of Irish culture and history while learning about holistic education in the spectacular setting of County Kerry. This course features the works of one of Ireland's greatest philosophers, John Moriarty.



[Dingle Global Education Youtube Channel](#)

For more information, email Dr. William Greene at [greenew@sou.edu](mailto:greenew@sou.edu)



## Announcement!

### 2024 Holistic Teaching & Learning Conference

Our Center for Holistic Education has confirmed we will be hosting the 2024 Holistic Teaching & Learning Conference in-person in Ashland, OR on April 18th - 21st, 2024.



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