



Research Laboratory on Literature, Culture, Language, and Communication

Organizes the 1st International Conference on Current Issues in Higher Education

Under the Theme:

“Towards Quality Tertiary Education in the 21st Century: Challenges and Prospects”

May 18th – 19th, 2022

Venue: School of Arts and Humanities, Béni Mellal, Morocco

[Call for Papers](#)

During the second term of the year 2020, as the COVID-19 pandemic spread across the globe, the vast majority of countries declared a temporary closure of schools and universities, affecting students and teachers worldwide. Universities were obliged to move their teaching from face-to-face to online learning or blended learning. This abrupt change has brought about challenges for both teachers and learners. Therefore, this state of affairs must have impacted the quality of education students received in different universities around the world, including the Moroccan ones.

Higher education faculty try their best to improve the quality of education offered to students in different universities all over the globe. However, the results have not been up to the expectations of all the stakeholders. Successful education has long lasting effects on the learners as it predisposes them to deal with present and future challenges. It also opens up doors to many rewarding careers. Therefore, considerable efforts need to be invested in discovering and elaborating more effective teaching practices, assessment, learning strategies,

learner empowerment, etc., that promote learning. Within this framework, this conference will highlight new advances, trends and research results in the field of higher education.

At the core of any discussion on ‘quality tertiary education’ is the assessment provided by researchers, education experts and policymakers; they contribute greatly to the discussion by providing input from various relevant perspectives. This conference, therefore, aims to bring experts in the education field to discuss new dynamics in 21st century, especially in the face of the many challenges the COVID-19 pandemic throws in our way. Applicants are encouraged to submit their proposals on a broad range of topics, including, but not limited to:

- ✚ Educational innovation
- ✚ Distance learning
- ✚ Teaching experiences, pedagogy, practice & praxis
- ✚ Assessment theories & methodologies
- ✚ Curriculum design & development
- ✚ Teaching strategies and styles
- ✚ Classroom techniques
- ✚ Lifelong learning
- ✚ Autonomous learning
- ✚ Learning for sustainability
- ✚ ICT and education
- ✚ Teaching the four skills
- ✚ Effective teaching practices
- ✚ Individual learner differences
- ✚ Gender issues in language teaching
- ✚ Educational leadership

Guidelines

Submissions are solicited for theme session presentations which should last for 20 minutes with 5-10 minutes for questions (a maximum of 30 minutes in total), and they should be in line with the following guidelines:

- ✓ Abstracts should be no more than 250 words and should NOT include the authors' names and should be submitted in English.
- ✓ The bio should not exceed 100 words.
- ✓ **Submissions** should be made online at: forms.gle/w7VjXGjteZsmfghN8
- ✓ Applicants selected for participation will be contacted in due time.
- ✓ Selected papers will be peer reviewed by the scientific committee and **published**.

Working Language:

- ✓ The working language of the conference is English

Registration fees:

- ❖ Faculty and independent researchers: 400 Dh
- ❖ Students: 200 Dh

Conference venue: School of Arts and Humanities, Avenue Ibn Khaldoun, B.P: 524, Beni Mellal, Morocco

Accommodation: Information about suitable hotels will be made available in due time.

Contact: Conference Email: iche2020bm@gmail.com

Important Dates

Abstract submission deadline: **March 1st, 2022**

Notification of acceptance: **March 31st, 2022**

Full paper submission: **April 30st, 2022**

Conference date: **May 18th – 19th, 2022**

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N.B: The conference will switch entirely online in case any confinement is imposed by the government.