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GREETINGS FROM THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Dear ISfTE Members,

Warm greetings from the Kingdom of Bhutan. I wish to begin by expressing my heartfelt gratitude for the trust you have placed in me by electing me as the next Secretary General of ISfTE. It is both an honour and a responsibility, and I look forward to serving our vibrant community with dedication and humility. I would also like to extend my sincere thanks to the convenors of the 2026 Adelaide Seminar, Associate Professor Greg Vass and Professor Edward Palmer of the School of Education, Adelaide University. Their commitment and hospitality created a rich environment for dialogue, collaboration, and the strengthening of our international bonds.

Looking ahead, I am delighted to share that preparations are already underway for the 2027 ISfTE Seminar, to be hosted by Bulacan State University in the City of Malolos, Philippines. This promises to be another exciting opportunity to deepen our networks, engage in meaningful scholarship, and continue bridging perspectives across continents.

Together, we will carry forward the spirit of collaboration and service that defines ISfTE, ensuring that our society remains alive, thriving, and relevant in the years to come.

With warm regards,
Kezang Sherab
Secretary General, ISfTE



REPORT ON THE ADELAIDE, AUSTRALIA 2026 ANNUAL SEMINAR

BY GREG, EDWARD, NERITA AND MEG

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Earlier this year, Adelaide University was delighted to host the 44th annual ISfTE Seminar, welcoming educators, researchers and higher degree research students from around the world to Adelaide. Thank you to those who travelled far and wide! Centred on the theme *Culture, Language and Learning: Teacher Education for a Flourishing Life*, the seminar created space for delegates to share ideas, discuss emerging challenges and opportunities in teacher education, and learn from diverse perspectives and experiences.

The week was filled with engaging presentations from Professor Marie Brennan, Associate Professor Mel Baak and Mikayla King, as well as opportunities to build new international connections through table discussions and paper readings. Alongside the academic program, delegates enjoyed experiencing Adelaide through cultural tours and lively dinners, helping to strengthen the sense of community and collegiality that makes ISfTE so special. A special thank you to the ISfTE Executive Committee for their leadership and support, and to all presenters who generously shared their research, expertise and insights throughout the week. We are so proud to host such a welcoming and inspiring event and look forward to seeing the conversations and collaborations continue well beyond the 'Land Down Under'!

Greg, Edward, Nerita and Meg

BY JOSELINE SANTOS

The global community of teacher educators will converge in the Philippines as Bulacan State University (BulSU) hosts **the 45th Annual Seminar of the International Society for Teacher Education (ISfTE)** from 21-25 June, 2027. The event marks a historic milestone for the University and the Philippine higher education sector as it brings one of the world's longest-standing international organizations dedicated to teacher education to the country.

The University was officially selected as the next host institution during the 44th ISfTE Annual Seminar in Adelaide, Australia, signifying the confidence of the international community in BulSU's capability to organize a world-class academic event.

The seminar is expected to welcome delegates from universities and educational institutions across Asia, Europe, North America, Africa, and Oceania. Throughout the five-day event, participants will engage in keynote lectures, plenary sessions, research paper presentations, panel discussions, and collaborative forums that explore contemporary challenges and opportunities in teacher education. These scholarly exchanges are envisioned to foster new partnerships, strengthen existing international networks, and inspire innovative approaches that respond to the evolving needs of education worldwide.



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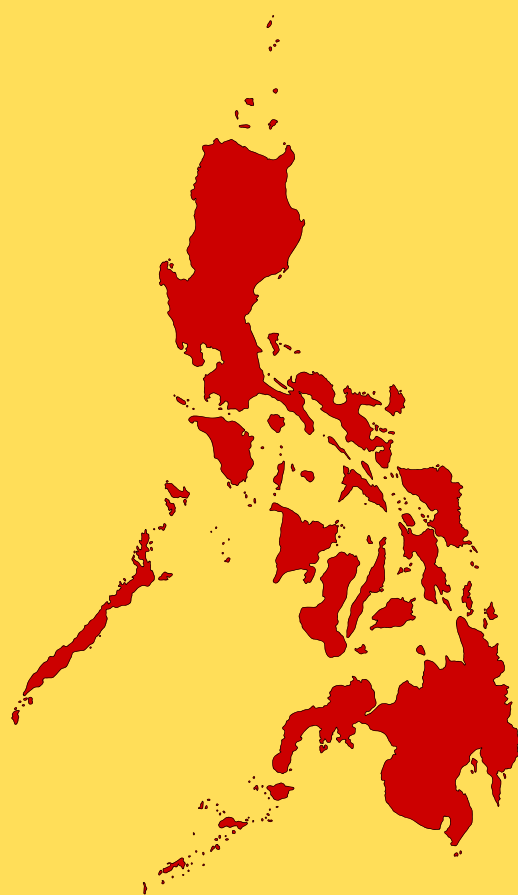
Beyond the academic sessions, ISfTE 2027 will also provide participants with opportunities to experience the rich culture, history, and hospitality of the Philippines. Through cultural activities and educational visits, international delegates will gain a deeper appreciation of Filipino heritage while building meaningful professional and personal connections with colleagues from around the globe.

For Bulacan State University, hosting ISfTE 2027 is more than an institutional achievement—it is a testament to the University's commitment to academic excellence, internationalization, and the advancement of teacher education. The seminar also aligns with BulSU's vision of becoming a globally recognized institution that contributes to educational transformation through research, innovation, and collaborative engagement.

As preparations continue, the University looks forward to welcoming the international teacher education community to Bulacan in June 2027. ISfTE 2027 promises to be a meaningful gathering that celebrates global collaboration, scholarly excellence, and the shared mission of preparing future generations of educators equipped to address the challenges of an increasingly interconnected world.

More information at:

<https://isfte.bulsu.edu.ph/>



BY LEANNE TAYLOR, EDITOR



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About JISTE

The *Journal of the International Society for Teacher Education (JISTE)* is the peer-reviewed, double-blind publication of ISfTE. JISTE embodies the Society's mission to foster collaboration, exchange, and the advancement of teacher education across diverse global contexts.

On **April 15, 2026**, JISTE published our first special issue, Volume 29, Issue 2, titled *Global Perspectives on Teacher Education: Innovations and Challenges in International Contexts*, which explored the evolving dynamics of teacher education across diverse global contexts. Articles addressed historical and national contexts, current challenges and opportunities, innovative practices, and visions for the future. We hope these contributions will provide comparative insights that enrich international dialogue and knowledge exchange in teacher education.

Issue 30.1 – Teacher Education: Life Skills and inclusion

Our forthcoming issue, Volume 30, Issue 1, titled *Teacher Education: Life Skills and Inclusion*, includes papers presented at the 2025 ISfTE Seminar in Norway, together with additional papers submitted to the journal. The issue will be published the first week of August.

Call for Papers: JISTE 30.2

We are now inviting submissions for Volume 30, Issue 2 (30.2). This issue will be open to general submissions.

JISTE provides an international forum for dialogue about teacher education, and all submissions should clearly reflect this global perspective. We welcome:

- Theoretical and empirical papers (qualitative and/or quantitative)
- Case studies (occasionally accepted)
- Book reviews
- Critical reflective commentaries

Submissions are welcome from educators, academics, teachers, and practitioners working in all regions of the world.

- Submission deadline: August 15, 2026
- Publication date: December 2026
- For submission guidelines and details, visit: [JISTE Website](#)

Call for Reviewers

As JISTE continues to grow, we warmly invite ISfTE members to join our community of reviewers. Peer review is essential to maintaining the quality and credibility of the journal and provides an opportunity to mentor emerging scholars. If you are interested in serving as a reviewer, please contact the Journal Manager at jistejournalmanager@gmail.com.

Membership Update

To prepare us for membership with the Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE), we would like to request that you please review the site and register/update your information, preferably with institutional email address. Registration and updates can be completed at: <https://journals.library.brocku.ca/index.php/jiste>

Funding and Development

JISTE was awarded a Canadian Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Scholarly Aid to Journals grant, providing three years of funding to support ongoing operations and development of the journal.

We are pleased to have begun preparations for our application to COPE as the first step in our accreditation. We are currently updating the website, and drafting policies to enhance transparency for all stakeholders.

Editorial Team Updates

We are grateful for the dedicated volunteer work of our Associate Editors, Jessie Nixon (Weber State University, USA) and Caitlin Byrne (Florida Southern College, USA), who continue to strengthen our review processes and enhance mentorship for authors.

We would also like to welcome Kathryn Crooks as our Journal Manager. In this role, Kathryn will streamline and oversee the administrative and operational workflows of the journal by supporting our editorial team, and ensuring a smooth, efficient peer-review process for our authors and reviewers.

We are also pleased to welcome our new copyeditor, Amanda Goldrick-Jones of Arrow Editing Services, who is already providing invaluable support to the editorial team to prepare issues for publication.

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BY KATARINA
ANDERSON

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Katarina Anderson
Communication Manager

For you to vote in any upcoming elections or publish in JISTE, you will need to have your membership fees paid. If you attended the ISfTE 2025 Seminar in Norway, you are considered a current paid member of ISfTE, as membership fees were included with the 2025 registration. All other people need to submit their fees to maintain their membership.

1. Click on “Become A Member” in the left column or follow this link: **<https://isfte.org/index.php/become-a-current-member/>**
2. There is a link to a QR code in the middle of this webpage, which you can use to complete your payment. You will either need to scan the QR code or click on it to go to the PayPal page where you can pay with a credit card.
3. **Annual Membership in ISfTE is USD \$100.00.**

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