

Colleague Connections

One of the most important functions of any conference is networking with other professionals in your field to discuss issues and share new ideas. Of course, this happens in the context of scheduled presentations (and the conversations surrounding them). In 2017, MIDTESOL offered one more venue for this important interaction: *Crossroads for Colleague Connections*. Due to its popularity, MIDTESOL has decided to continue to provide a networking space called *Colleague Connections* at the MIDTESOL 2019 Conference. Designed as a sort of “unconference” that runs parallel to the traditional schedule of presentations, it provides the opportunity for conference attendees to meet and informally discuss a set of topics of importance to them.

A call for proposals for *Colleague Connections* went out to the MIDTESOL membership, and topics received by the end of July have been included in the conference program book. You can find information about these sessions highlighted in beige on the “Conference At-A-Glance” as well as listed with descriptions among the Concurrent Sessions. You are heartily invited to attend one or more of these discussion times!

If you have a topic which you would like to see discussed—and you are willing to serve as a moderator—see the MIDTESOL Registration/Information desk to sign up for a time slot that is open. The MIDTESOL 2019 Conference Committee will make sure that your topic is advertised on SCHED (Our conference event website & mobile application).

Colleague Connections At-A-Glance

Friday Colleague Connection Sessions

4:00-4:45 WINNABAGO 3rd Floor	Experiences of Adult ESL Teachers of Color Fatma Bachelani
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Saturday Colleague Connection Sessions

8:00 to 8:45 CLARK 3rd Floor	Classroom Assessment for Language Teaching (CALT) Introduction Humaidan Abdulsamad
3:30-4:15 LEWIS 3rd Floor	Preparing International STEM Majors for University Success Emily Herrick
3:30-4:15 FORD 19th Floor	Meeting needs of Students with Limited Interrupted Formal Education (SLIFE) Zoe Kinney, Emma Jones, Carolyn Duff, & Mary Beth Seese