



## ***The 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of The Iranian Curriculum Studies Association (ICSA)***

***The University of Mazandaran- Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences - October 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> 2008***

*Iranian Curriculum Studies Association (ICSA) invites you to participate in its eighth annual conference and contribute to its scientific programs. The theme of this conference is " Globalization and Localization in Curriculum: Challenges and Opportunities ".*

*Globalization is among the most important characteristics of the present era. This phenomenon has multiple dimensions- political, social, economic, and cultural- which affect curriculum. Studying these effects would result in a better decision making regarding this field. The Iranian Curriculum Studies, Association (ICSA) has chosen " Globalization and Localization in Curriculum: Challenges and Opportunities " for its eighth Annual Conference theme and hopes to provide support in defining appropriate educational policies , knowledge and insight which will result from participation of scholars, and would guarantee the outcomes of this conference.*

### **Aims**

- 1-To explain and analyze the perspectives and theories related to curriculum and globalization.*
- 2- To Critique and evaluate the educational systems's experiences related to the phenomena of globalization and localization in curriculum.*
- 3- To speculate challenges and opportunities that confronts curriculum in the era of globalization.*
- 4-To learn the economic, social, political and cultural dimensions of globalization and studying their consequences for curriculum.*

## **The conference Theme:**

### **The Globalization Theories and Curriculum:**

- *The philosophical explanation of globalization and curriculum.*
- *The cultural explanation of globalization and curriculum.*
- *The social explanation of globalization and curriculum.*
- *The economical explanation of globalization and curriculum.*
- *The political explanation of globalization and curriculum.*
- *Globalization and the national curriculum.*
- *Globalization, the information society, and curriculum.*
- *Globalization, and the national identity in curriculum.*
- *Globalization, peace, and human rights.*
- *Globalization and teaching life skills in indigenous societies.*
- *Globalization, curriculum, and subcultures*

### **Issues, and the compacts of Globalization on Curriculum**

- *Globalization, Curriculum and the Persian language.*
- *Globalization, Curriculum and the foreign languages.*
- *The world labor market and its impact on curriculum.*
- *Globalization, curriculum, and development and utilization of the information and communication technology.*
- *Globalization and centralization in curriculum planning system.*
- *Globalization and the new curriculum approaches.*

### **The Educational Systems' Experiences in confronting the challenge of Globalization and Localization:**

- *Globalization and curricula in Iran.*
- *Globalization and curricula in the Islamic countries.*
- *Globalization and curricula in the western countries.*
- *Globalization and curricula in the developing countries.*
- *Critique and evaluation of the role of the international institutions and societies in globalization of curricula.*

### **Important Deadlines:**

- *Abstract submission by August 20, 2008*
- *Acceptance notification of abstracts by September 20, 2008.*
- *Full papers submission by October 10, 2008.*
- *Conference on 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> of October 2008.*

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