

2-day hybrid symposium and 6. TEFL day at the Julius-Maximilians-Universität Würzburg 26-27/11/2021

MENTAL HEALTH IN FOREIGN LANGUAGE EDUCATION

Call for papers

MENTAL HEALTH MATTERS!

However, mental health can mean many different things as there are various types of, causes for, and ways of supporting as well as dealing with mental health issues. In foreign language education, there are numerous topics which can help to address issues of mental health and raise students' mental health awareness. These include, among others, traumata (resulting, for instance, from refuge, physical and mental abuse, bullying, or racism), mental or physical illnesses and disorders, and gender differences. In addition, some mental health issues are more specifically related to English language education - particularly, student and teacher well-being, student resilience, and stigma around mental health.

This symposium aims to explore mental health from various theoretical and practice-oriented perspectives.

Therefore, we are inviting proposals from (trainee) teachers, scholars, and Master students that address mental health either in a presentation, teacher workshop, or poster format. The symposium is planned in a hybrid form and, therefore, we especially also welcome international speakers to attend the conference.

We are delighted to announce the following plenary speakers:

Dr. Daniel Becker: Global, Competent and healthy? Dimensions of mental health education in English language teaching

Prof. Dr. Sarah Mercer: Teacher mental health matters: Understanding the ecology of teacher wellbeing

Prof. Dr. Michaela Sambanis: Down at the end of lonely street: social isolation, loneliness, stress and boredom – a neuroDidactic view

How to contribute

Please send your

- title (10 words max.),
- abstract (200 words max.), and
- bio (50 words max.)

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Contributions are welcome in English or German. The deadline for abstracts is 15/05/2021 and presenters will be notified in June 2021.



