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cordially invite you to participate in

THINKING THURSDAYS: IIHed Research Seminar Series

on

**THE ROLE OF INTERNATIONAL FACULTY IN
INDIAN HIGHER EDUCATION**

by



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Abstract

In late 2016, the Ministry of Human Resource Development set about to bring President Mukherjee's declaration of "If we provide enough funds to the 10 to 15 top institutions for the next four to five years, these institutions will certainly storm into the top 100 of global academic rankings within the next few years" into fruition by issuing a series of draft guidelines and regulations (Altbach & Salmi, 2017). Despite this resolve by the Government of India, Indian Higher Educational Institutions have a list of challenges to overcome to achieve their goal. These challenges include underfunding, lack of local support, and a recent focus on globally competitive research-intensive universities.

As Indian institutions continue to grow to meet the nation's goals of achieving global academic rankings, there is an increased demand for highly qualified scholars and instructors and universities have begun international searches for faculty, both from the Indian diaspora and foreign communities.

How do Indian institutes recruit international faculty members? How can Indian institutions retain international faculty members? How many international scholars are currently researching or teaching in India? Who is considered an international scholar in the Indian context? How many international scholars will be needed to help India in its goal of 15-20 world-class universities?

In this talk, Dr. Hannah Marie Morris will highlight the need for research on the trends of international faculty in India and lead a discussion on the Indian Higher education model and its benefits for recruiting and retaining top faculty from across the globe.

Short Bio of Speaker

Hannah Marie Morris, Ph.D. serves as a faculty at Ashoka University. She teaches Critical Writing skills in the Young India Fellows program for the 2016-2017 academic year. Dr. Morris' experience includes teaching students on study abroad, co-leading short term foreign study tours for students, researching international education, developing communications strategies, and advising students applying to undergraduate and graduate institutions across the globe.

As a scholar, Dr. Morris' research focuses on intercultural education and international education administration. Prior to joining Ashoka university, Dr. Morris worked at Babson College (USA), Sichuan University (China), and the University of Florida (USA). Dr. Morris earned her Ph.D. in Higher Education Administration, M.A. in International Business, and B.S. in Business Administration, all from the University of Florida.

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