

## **Building an Engaging Virtual-Exchange Curriculum through International Pedagogical Collaboration**

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### **Abstract**

This presentation highlights pedagogical collaboration between two language instructors at DePaul and Tianjin Normal University in a number of Chinese language courses offered in face-to-face, hybrid, and online modalities. It shares collaboration strategies between the instructors and the students from the two universities. It also offers design tips and techniques learned from these courses that used international virtual exchange as a driving force for curriculum design and learner engagement. Audience members will be introduced to an innovative curriculum design model that uses international virtual exchange to foster the Can-Do pedagogy in language acquisition and see its impact on student learning.

### **Bio**

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