

# Building on the Strengths of Multilingual Learners: Insights from WIDA



9:30am

**DIEP NGUYEN, PH.D.**

## Serving Immigrant and Refugee Students: Considerations Beyond Language and Academic Learning

HENZLIK HALL: 32

**IMMIGRANT AND REFUGEE STUDENTS ENCOUNTER** many challenges when entering our schools. While we aim at helping these students develop their languages and succeed academically, their socio-cultural transition and emotional health impact the degree to which students can attend to leaning and be successful. Dr. Nguyen will compare the experiences of immigrants and refugees and discuss their challenges in transitioning to the new schooling context. Possible ways of supporting the social transition of immigrant and refugee students will be explored.



3:00pm

**TIMOTHY BOALS, PH.D.**

## Ensuring Success for Multilingual Learners

TEACHERS COLLEGE: 139

**WHAT KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND DISPOSITIONS ARE** required of educators to ensure the success of multilingual learners? We are tasked, not merely with teaching English, but with providing meaningful opportunity to learn in our schools. Dr. Boals will review issues, research, and practices schools need. He will also talk about what WIDA is doing and consider possibilities for a WIDA UNL research/ outreach partnership.

**JOIN US FOR AN INFORMAL DIALOGUE** with our WIDA guests, Dr. Diep Nguyen and Dr. Timothy Boals. Bring questions and ideas for discussion, and learn about the future of ICMEE and WIDA collaboration.

4:00pm

## Fireside Chat: Actualizing Research Through Meaningful Practice

THE HENZLIK HUB

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