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Challenges and Future Directions for Home Economics Education

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The purpose of this presentation is to provide an historical foundation for the following presentations on home economics education curriculum development in specific countries and to suggest a future direction for home economics education curriculum based on a philosophical orientation. I am humbled by this invitation to address such a broad and important topic. Although I’ve tried to include a few insights about the international/global development of home economics curriculum, my understanding is primarily from an U.S. perspective for which I apologize. Although, I suspect that the U.S. experience may not be unique, I look forward to hearing what my esteemed colleagues have to say.

History of Challenges and Changes in Directions for Home Economics Education Curriculum

It is widely accepted that by understanding our past, we can better understand our present, and more effectively influence the future. Because we are a mission-oriented field and discipline, we integrate knowledge from our own disciplinary research with that of multiple other disciplines (e.g. physical and social sciences) and interpretive fields (e.g. arts and humanities) to take action through our practice to address today’s needs and problems of our students and society to ultimately improve life in the future.

While preparing for this presentation, I reread a 1987 article I authored on a history secondary home economics curriculum1 around the time of the Lake Placid Conferences on Home Economics (1899-1908), which changed the U.S. home economics movement into a profession. Among the attendees there was much debate about conceptualizations of school curriculum. What struck me was the similarity between contextual influences on home economics school curriculum then and now. Influences included industrialization’s impact on income disparity as big industry grew and small businesses failed; exploitation of laborers required to work long hours for low pay in unhealthy conditions; pollution from industry and from new technologies, e.g. gas lighting that required improved ventilation; migration for jobs from rural areas and many countries, contributing to urban overcrowding; housing, public health, safety, and sanitation issues; the population’s poor health; and the impact of Social Darwinism that justified blaming those struggling as being a drag on societal progress. The early home economics leaders recognized that these conditions were negatively affecting families and shifting responsibility for children more to schools, police and boards of health.

Beginning in the mid-nineteenth century, Catherine Beecher created girls’ schooling to help students develop critical thinking and moral leadership they would need in their own homes as wives and mothers and in the wider community. By the twentieth century, the notion that all girls needed training was a pedagogical given (Apple, 1997, p. 80). The Lake Placid attendees agreed that home economics had an important role to play in the schools, but, like today, they didn’t agree on a curriculum that would elevate and enlarge women’s roles in the home and in society. Several conceptualizations were presented—science and art applied to “right living,” manual training for home and possibly paid employment, and a broader preparation for home, community and civic life (Vincenti, 1987, p. 42-43). Home economics was being introduced into numerous schools, despite many educators’ skepticism about

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1) “Home economics” was not the term used throughout our history, but I will use it consistently for simplicity’s sake.

Biography

Virginia Vincenti is Professor of Human Development and Family Sciences (HDFS) at the University of Wyoming from 1992 to today. Previously she was Program Director of Home Economics Education, University of Massachusetts-Amherst, 1988-1992 and was invited to teach home economics education graduate courses at The Pennsylvania State University and Iowa State University. Because of her involvement in the U.S. critical science movement, she has used practical reasoning, critical thinking, and ethical reasoning in teacher education, HDFS graduate and undergraduate courses, and journal articles and book chapters. She earned her B.S., Mansfield University, Pennsylvania and M.S. and Ph.D., The Pennsylvania State University, all in Home Economics Education. She also earned an undergraduate minor in Chemistry and graduate minor in Individual and Family Studies.

Her research has focused on the history and philosophy of home economics/family and consumer sciences and currently on financial exploitation by family members responsible for managing the affairs of elderly relatives, a growing problem globally. All her research has sought to strengthen professional practice and improve life for individuals, families and society.

Her publications include her dissertation: A History of the Philosophy of Home Economics and co-edited book: Rethinking Home Economics: Women and the history of a Profession, both translated into Japanese, and numerous refereed articles also focused on the history and philosophy and on issues, all related to strengthening the profession. She has also given keynote and numerous research presentations at national and international conferences.

Influenced by the work of Brown and Paolucci’s (1979) reconceptualization of home economics, she has used a critical science approach, including practical problems, practical reasoning, critical thinking and ethical reasoning in her teaching and scholarship. She has served as president of the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences and her state affiliate, and served in various leadership capacities. She also co-chaired numerous consumer conferences.
The transformation of American school curricula from preparation for college to education for the masses was based on the belief in the efficacy of education to improve social problems and prepare workers for the increasing number of jobs requiring high school education. All this prompted discussion leading to the federal legislation that would fund skills-oriented courses stressing teaching of information and technique rather than thinking and judgment. This trend, already present and encouraged by middle-class male school administrators who saw women's place in the home providing for the family, was contrary to the most prominent social vision of earlier home economists who to some extent envisioned home economics as important education for both boys and girls. Because this bill (not mentioned yet) focused on technical training, home economists generally and the American Home Economics Association in particular did not get involved in its development, even though some home economists supported home economics education as both the general and the vocational preparation. Despite the fact that it didn't fund home economics at first, the Smith-Hughes Act of 1917 eventually established a relationship of home economics education with the federal government that continues to influence curriculum today. It did expanded home economics education into elementary and secondary schools nationally, but it undermined the broader scientific and social reform conceptualized by earlier home economists and strengthened an administrative structure supporting pedagogical goals of the legislation and industry interests. There are positives and negatives of these different curricular approaches. A negative was that the 1917 Act required long lab periods in secondary schools that prevented students in other learning paths such as college preparation from taking home economics classes, thus encouraging the belief that home economics was only for students incapable of going to college (Vincenti, 1987). The debate about whether home economics education is or should be vocational education or general education for all youth continues today. As the social sciences developed, child development, parent education and family relations were added to the curriculum in the 1920s. However, even though the state and city objectives for school home economics programs emphasized “worthy home membership, health, right living and consumer information”, more than half the courses focused on foods, food preparation, clothing and sewing (Good, 1927 in Vincenti, 1980). Throughout this century, there has been growing recognition of the importance of including boys and a broader perspective including problem solving by textbook authors, but home economics educators were slower to realize that they needed to be involved in construction of legislation that influences the curriculum (Apple, 1997, p. 92). After the 1963 Vocational Education Act eliminated a specific amount of funding for home economics education, they realized the necessity and became more active in educating/lobbying Congress for more funding support. Home economists from three different professional organizations responded, but not with a united voice. This experience prompted them to establish a coalition to work with legislators toward agreement within political realities and social concerns. Rather than reacting to Congressional proposals, leaders from the three organizations designed sample legislation before bills were even drafted to educate legislators and increase their influence in shaping the home economics curriculum in public schools (Apple, 1997, pp. 93-94). Now home economics is for both boys and girls with a broader curriculum including consumer issues, environmental education, family relations and problem solving. The Coalition continues to lobby for a more comprehensive view of home economics education. We are not all united about what home economics and home economics education should be and what should be included and what should not and why, but we now know we need to collaborate in order to fulfill our dreams too often limited by legislative deliberations, gender stereotypes, patriarchal attitudes, curricular reforms concerned with economic and political issues, and bureaucratic maneuvers perceived as outside our control. The Family and Consumer Sciences Alliance of FCS-related 24 organizations to advocate for the profession is another example. There is so much more that could be said about the history of home economics secondary curriculum, but time...
Challenges of Home Economics Curricula in Schools

The ten megatrends enumerated by Pendergast, McGregor, and Turki (2012) include some continuing contextual forces from our early beginnings as a profession and as a school subject, while others have emerged since those early debates about school curriculum: aging population worldwide, globalization, technological development, increasing prosperity for more people globally (and continuing severe poverty for others), individualization, commercialization, health and environment, acceleration, network organizing, and urbanization. I don’t have time to discuss these, but I recommend their 2012 book, Creating home economics futures. The next 100 years. I will keep this section of my presentation relatively short so I can spend more time on directions for the future.

Although there are many contextual challenges that we have little control over, we need to take them into account in such a way as to maintain our purpose and integrity. Other challenges are within our locus on control, our circle of influence. This preconference, as I envision it, focuses on developing home economics curriculum with clarity, intellectual and ethical integrity, and on increasing our circle of influence so that we can increase our effectiveness.

Challenges to home economics education curriculum include the following:

- Public perceptions of home economics (Deagon, in Pendergast et al, 2012).
- Funding—federal, state, and local variations—and demands it places on curriculum
- Emphasis on vocational education, preparation for work/careers rather than education for life
- Interdependence of secondary and higher education
- Shortage of students in teacher education programs
- Need for male and female teachers to strengthen families and encourage more boys to prepare for family roles, not just careers
- Elective status of some secondary programs which may or may not apply in other countries
- Inconsistency between what we think home economics curriculum should be versus what will attract students to elective courses and gain acceptance by the school systems.
- Specialization without integration fragments knowledge and inhibits complex problem solving and weakens our effectiveness in improving the lives of individuals, families, and communities.
- Need for more critical thinking and ethical reasoning in teaching home economics content
- Need more research to determine effectiveness of programs to address and prevent problems

Directions of Home Economics Curricula in Schools

I am hoping that this preconference will not only provide a sharing of ideas, but also stimulate further discussion to ultimately create an approach that unifies us with a well-reasoned and ethically justified rationale for home economics education globally. Additionally, I recognize that external policies and realities vary around the world that need to be considered as well, but that very diversity can challenge our taken-for-granted assumptions and shake up our paradigms so that we create options we could not have generated alone. This is what a critical science approach can do.

When I was in college, I was taught with a technical, knowledge-and-skills-based approach to home economics curriculum for schools with little emphasis (as I remember) on a philosophically foundation to guide teaching. I’m grateful for the education I got, but am also immensely grateful for the historical and philosophical education that does not permit so I will fast forward to the 1970s, when a new conceptualization of home economics was developing not only in the U.S., but also in Japan (and probably elsewhere) as well. First, I want to discuss some challenges to our curriculum.

I got during my graduate work in Home Economics Education at Penn State. It was perfect timing as I mentioned earlier, to have been there when the critical science approach we were being introduced threw the work of Marjorie Brown and the landmark publication by Brown and Paolucci (1979).

I was excited 25 years later to read Fusa Sekiguchi’s 1977 edited book (published in English in 2004), A philosophy of home economics: Establishing home economics as a discipline for human protection. After home economics was first incorporated into university education in Japan after World War II, Sekiguchi became disillusioned with the conceptualization of home economics as a academic discipline increasingly aligned with the methods of the natural sciences and focused on practical skills of home management. She raise philosophical questions such as ‘What is home economics?’ and searched for a philosophical foundation for a more justified conceptualization (Vincenti, 2009).

This book, one of her many books on home economics philosophy, described home economics in many ways similar to that of Brown’s earlier, A Conceptual Scheme and decision-rules for the selection and organization of home economics curriculum content, and Brown and Paolucci’s 1979 treatise, Home Economics: A Definition. Sekiguchi and her colleagues were heavily influenced over a ten year period by German philosopher and educator, Otto Bollnow, Marjorie Brown and Beatrice Paolucci drew heavily from the philosophy of another German philosopher, Jürgen Habermas.

Bollnow was influential in the human science movement in German education, partly because of his book, Human Space, one of the most comprehensive studies of space, dwelling on the home as the primary world of human existence and the center of security and protection from the larger world (Vincenti, 2009). His work is said to lie within and between existentialism and phenomenology.

Habermas synthesized previous theories to expand critical theory. His focus has been on societal reconstruction motivated by his examination of German lack of resistance to Hitler’s ideas which allowed him to rise to power. He has dedicated his work to preventing this unreflective acceptance of abuse of power to recur.

Critical theory stresses the importance of reflective assessment and critique of society and culture by applying knowledge from the social sciences and the humanities. Developed at the Frankfurt School, also known as the Institute of Social Research in Frankfurt, Germany, critical theory is a social and political philosophical movement of thought designed to expose inherent incongruities related to social situations.

Brown and Paolucci (1979) first to introduced Habermas’ ideas (along with those of many other scholars) into their conceptualization of our field as a family-focused profession. They advocated that curriculum be organized not by specialized subject matter, but by use of what they termed practical perennial problems. Critical science is an interdisciplinary approach to addressing complex problems, so common in our highly interdependent world. It uses practical reasoning, a dialogue-based process of choosing and implementing the best rationally and ethically justifiable course of action to address ‘what-should-we-do’ questions all families must address at some point. It involves self-reflection and dialogue and dialectical reasoning about opposing views using open, honest, and respectful dialogue to identify relevant facts surrounding a situation. It also encourages critique of values, interpretations, social structures, and assumptions as well as injustices within our families and society at different levels.

Problems are distinguished from their mere symptoms and framed as underlying practical perennial problems that families must address regardless of where and when they live. The process includes development of an ethically justifiable vision of a guiding outcome (not an alternative) for addressing a particular underlying problem. Practical reasoning also involves a diligent search to identify a wider range of alternatives well beyond what might be typically recognized, followed by rational and ethical evaluation of the option most likely to create the agreed-upon guiding vision (Brown & Paolucci, 1979). Its main goal is improvement of families for the benefit of all family...
members, others affected, and society. Rehm (1999) defines many of the key concepts needed to understand critical science. Critical science is very appropriate as an orientation for developing home economics curriculum because it teaches critical thinking, ethical reasoning, situation analysis, problem identification and framing in a way that is opens up dialogue, helpful in meeting family challenges throughout the lifespan. Because it is dialogue-based, it helps students learn to use critical conversations, empathy, cultural critique, self-reflection, research from different disciplines focused on problem resolution, creation of justifiable visioning of desired outcomes, creative generation of alternatives, critical evaluation of alternatives, and judgement. All these intellectual skills as well as some practical skills are needed to live an integrated, satisfying and responsible life as individuals and families that contribute to the improvement of society. Students have difficulty connecting and transferring knowledge to various problems when they are taught fragmented information and predefined problems. Critical science goes well beyond that. I was happy to see Dr. Yoo's interest in a critical science orientation to home economics education. We are both graduates of The Pennsylvania State University in Home Economics Education, although she came after me so I did not know her then. We were both exposed to the work on Marjorie Brown. Because I was there during the introduction of Brown and Paolucci's new conceptualization of the profession, I was part of a cadre of graduate students and practicing teacher educators who struggled together to understand this new conceptualization.

We, mostly teacher educators, worked for perhaps a decade or more to explore applications to that philosophy to professional practice, especially home economics education. Interest seems to have faded over time, but I never lost enthusiasm. Although my university has not had home economics education since the mid-1990s, I have continued to incorporate a critical science perspective into my courses, especially family decision making and resource management. Now I'm working on a collaborative program with Colorado State University to renew the opportunity for University of Wyoming students to become well qualified home economics teachers. We all have to work within our own environments to negotiate what we believe is the best curriculum, but this is not an easy task, but it is extremely important that teaching be engaged in and committed to a larger philosophy so they don't lose sight of the ultimate aim while working with the many perspectives. Teachers are the primary developers of curriculum and certainly the implementers in classrooms. We can learn from each other new insights and teaching methods and support each other in being change agents. An example of a negotiated document between different curricular perspectives is the 2004 U.S. National Standards for Teachers of Family and Consumer Sciences that culminated from 2 years of discussion among educators with diverse perspectives. Those discussions yielded a set of ten integrated standards: 4 focusing on content and 6 on professional practice (Fox, Stewart, and Erickson, 2010, p. 7). I will only mention the language of the 5th Curriculum Development and the 8th Professionalism that are most consistent with a critical science approach, not because they are perfect, but to indicate that some progress is being made:

Standard #5. Curriculum Development

• Develop, justify, and implement curricula that address perennial and evolving family, career, and community issues. Exhibit the integrative nature of family and consumer sciences, and integrate core academic areas.

• Implement curricula that address recurring concerns and evolving family, consumer, career, and community issues.

Standard #8. Professionalism

• Engage in ethical professional practice based on the history and philosophy of family and consumer sciences and career and technical education through civic engagement, advocacy, and ongoing professional development.

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The curriculum development standard was explained by Montgomery (2008) and in the professionalism standard was described by Rehm, Jensen, and Rowley (2009), both using a critical science approach. Despite these standards, given the policies and funding emphasis on vocational education, critical science is actually not widely used. We cannot stop here. Critical science teaches us not to accept “what is” happening as if it were therefore “what should be” happening and not to adopt a powerless position in accepting the dominant paradigm if it is not rationally and ethically justifiable. Brown and Paolucci (1979), make this point clearly for professionals and families in their mission statement for the profession:

The mission of home economics is to enable families, both as individual units and generally as a social institution, to build and maintain systems of actions which lead (1) to maturing in individual self-formation and (2) to enlightened, cooperative participation in the critique and formulation of social goals and means for accomplishing them (p. 23).

Yes, using a critical science approach is challenging to learn at first because it is so different from the technical approach, but once you make that paradigm shift, you are changed personally and your work is transformed and I strongly believe our profession will be transformed not only in our eyes, but in the eyes of those outside the field who have held stereotypical views of our profession. Those views are not entirely unjustified since some school curricula still focuses mostly on cooking and sewing from a skills perspective. Our lack of firm commitment to this loftier vision and purpose hurts us all, hurts our students and families struggling with the many influences in today’s world that render them passive recipients of commercial and political messages that serve others’ interests to their detriment and the detriment of the greater good. We can choose to be change agents or to be reinforcers of those dominant forces that would have us as home economics educators serve their narrow interests.

I want to congratulate home economics educators in S. Korea. You can be proud of having adopted the practical reasoning process and three systems of actions in the 2015 national curriculum. There are others who will share their successes as well. Respectful, open, self-reflective, and deep dialogue is always needed to be able to learn from divergent and even opposing ideas so that new and better understandings and approaches can emerge to address questions of what we should teach, why we should teach it, and how we should teach it? We cannot be afraid to question each other’s ideas to gain deeper understanding, but also to determine their value and to create new ideas that we couldn’t have generated without each other. This kind of reasoning is not only important for us as educators, but it is also important to be teaching our students, especially now that technological communication encourages brief communication and selection of group interactions with people we agree with and “defriending”, avoiding others we do not agree with, ridiculing them, and/or even violently responding to them. Let the discussion begin leading to action that creates the future.
References


Additional Reading


Abstract

According to the UN World Happiness Report 2016, Korea scored 5.8 points out of the perfect score of 10 points, ranking itself 58th among the 157 countries surveyed in happiness index. This score is considerably low given the national power or economic scale of Korea. So what is it that determines happiness of Koreans, who turned out to be not so happy?

The 2013 survey on Korean mindsets and values conducted by the Ministry of Culture, Sports, and Tourism found that "family" was the determinant of happiness for Koreans. The MK Economy, a Korean weekly magazine, carried out a similar survey in 2012, asking respondents, "With whom do you feel the most happiness?", and their answer was "family".

Happiness does not seem to have grown in proportion to economic development, but family is key to happiness for Koreans. This is the reason what gave birth to the family policy in Korea. Family had to face the crisis of care, as it was no longer able to function as the unit of reproduction due to reduction in the family size and increasing women's employment brought about by the industrialization and urbanization. Experience of such crisis formed a social consensus for the need to move away from the previous policy of supporting mainly vulnerable families to the social consensus for the need to move away from the previous policy of supporting mainly vulnerable families to the policy of supporting all families of various types. Furthermore, witnessing the power of family's capability to react to the risk of family dissolution amid the economic crisis in late 1990s, Korea became interested in strengthening family healthiness.

The Act on Healthy Family was born in 2004 based on the three main idea that, first, economic development does not necessarily lead to happiness, second, family is the key to happiness in the Korean society, and third, strengthening the healthiness of family is what can bring more happiness to the Korean people. Family policy in Korea is in pursuit of happiness. The Framework Act on Healthy Families, which came into effect in 2004, also notes that "family" was the determinant of happiness for Koreans. The MK Economy, a Korean weekly magazine, carried out a similar survey in 2012, asking respondents, "With whom do you feel the most happiness?", and their answer was "family".

Economy, housing, and employment are main requirements for happiness, but there is more than that. Family policy aims at strengthening family healthiness and making a society where both men and women can balance work and family is an investment to and an endeavor after hope and happiness.

Biography

Dr. Hee Young Paik is a Professor Emeritus of the Department of Foods and Nutrition, Seoul National University, Seoul, Korea, and the Director of the Center for Gendered Innovations for Science and Technology Researches (GISTeR), Korea Federation of Women's Science and Technology Associations (KOFWST). Dr. Paik received higher education in USA and received Doctor of Science in Nutrition from Harvard School of Public Health. She worked as a faculty member at Seoul National University until February, 2016 and became a professor emeritus in March, 2016.

Dr. Paik’s research area has been focused on evaluation of Korean traditional diet in nutrition and health of modern society. Assessment of Korean typical diet poses special problems due to high consumption of mixed dishes and by the custom of sharing dishes at the dining table. Dr. Paik developed computerized dietary survey system (DES) suitable for Korean diet in diverse settings and population. The system is well recognized and a joint effort to adapt the system for international collaborative research for Asian region is underway. She published more than 150 papers in peer-reviewed journals and several books in nutrition and home economics area. Her achievement was recognized by Excellent Research Awards in Science (2005), National Honor for High Achievements in Science (2008), Asia-Pacific Clinical Nutrition Award (2009) and Blue Medal of National Merit (2012).

Dr. Paik has been active in professional organizations in home economics, nutrition, and gender in science. She served as presidents of the Korean Home Economics Association (KHEA) (2003), the Korean Nutrition Society (2005), and KOFWST (2014-2015). During 2005-2009, Dr. Paik was the Council Member of the International Union of Nutritional Sciences (IUNS). Her leadership is recognized as crucial for development of recent family policies and programs in Korea. With members of KHEA, she led activities to pass the Framework Act on Healthy Families and establishment of NGO, Citizens for Healthy Families. She served as the Minister of Gender Equality and Family, Republic of Korea, 2009-2011.

Recently, Dr. Paik extended her activities to become a leader for women in science and technology in Korea and actively engaged in international team of gendered innovations in science and technology researches. Under her leadership, KOFWST established GISTeR and is leading a research team including diverse areas of science and technology
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Hope: Because We Must

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Abstract

There is a moral imperative as teachers for us to hope. To hope for young people, rather than fear them. To hope for a better world so we might in imagining it, recreate it. To hope that the work we do builds citizens who have belief and faith that the world can be remade. For over thirty years I have worked as a teacher in prisons, psychiatric wards and most recently in earthquake zones. In these places teaching is an act of defiance and hope. In working with sensitive issues including family violence and child abuse with young people I have worked so that pedagogy of hope might be realised in everyday classrooms. Hope needs to be reconsidered as an educational basic, as important as literacy and numeracy for surviving the trauma of twenty first century living.

Biography

Professor O’Connor is an internationally recognised expert in applied theatre. His research has focused primarily on using applied theatre as a public education medium to address major social issues including public health, gender equity in schools and the development of inclusive, empathetic and critical school cultures. Recent applied theatre research includes national programmes on preventing family violence and child abuse and parenting programmes in Youth Justice Facilities.

His work in Christchurch following the February earthquake has lead to UNESCO funded research and programme development. In 2012 he was named the Griffith University School of Education and Professional Studies Alumnus of the Year. He is currently engaged in the ongoing debates about charter schools and the nature of quality public development. In 2012 he was named the Griffith University School of Education and Professional Studies Alumnus of the Year. He is currently engaged in the ongoing debates about charter schools and the nature of quality public development. In 2012 he was named the Griffith University School of Education and Professional Studies Alumnus of the Year. He is currently engaged in the ongoing debates about charter schools and the nature of quality public development. In 2012 he was named the Griffith University School of Education and Professional Studies Alumnus of the Year. 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Neoliberalism's core tenets of free market ideology, unfettered individualism, and choice translated into the education sector sees the development of global metadiscourses or what Stonach (2010,112) describes as “hypnarratives which constitute the first global language of education and allows politicians the world over to talk nonsense about educational outcomes, while singing from the same hymn sheet.” The common narrative is of market force determinism, privatisation, deregulation, high stake testing, and a narrow focus on literacy and numeracy that collapses and destroys a broad and progressive curriculum. Reforms are called for on the back of one of market force determinism, privatisation, deregulation, high stake testing, and a narrow focus on literacy and numeracy that collapses and destroys a broad and progressive curriculum. Reformers are led on to believe that the only way to solve the student achievement gap is through high stake testing, and outside factors impacting on student success are largely ignored or trivialised.

In New Zealand GERM policies including national standards, the devastation of the advisory services in curriculum areas, and the publication of national standards data have increased pressure on state schools to reduce their curriculum to the testing of literacy and numeracy. This pressure has already resulted in a narrowing of the curriculum and the collapse of the arts as viable subjects and as pedagogic tools (Thrupp, 2013). The growing absence of the arts and the incessant focus on functional literacy and numeracy in state schools in New Zealand suggests a complicity in international corporate capitalism's desire to train a workforce to serve its needs but not challenge them. GERM policies geared to making compliant and silent populations without the skills to think and act critically and creatively constitutes a threat to democracy.

Garth Boomer said in 1973:

In a time of growing complexity in society I crave simplicity in schools. Simplicity that values conversations between teachers and children… simplicity that allows time to talk about the way the world wags. Simplicity that spurns the enticing laboratory and exercise books, preferring the humble wisdom of the teacher and the real materials of life.

GERM policies deny the role and power of the imagination in education. Narrowly functionalist they have deliberately chipped away at progressive education, the bedrock of New Zealand schooling for generations, built on the pioneering thinking of John Dewey. Dewey (1916) wrote extensively on the cultivation of the imagination through music and drama. He suggested that education in the arts is not about training children simply in aesthetic appreciation or understanding, but is about creating citizens who hold a belief in the potential of the imagination. Paolo Freire (1972) shared Dewey’s conviction that education provides an opportunity to reimagine one’s world. For Freire, agency was to be achieved through a process of conscientisation, a process of critically reading the world and then transforming or re-writing the world “by means of conscious practical work” (Freire and Macedo 1987, 35). Building on Freire's model, Peter McLaren (2000) argues that increasingly schools are reduced to preparing students as part of the capitalist machine that dehumanises and disempowers young people across the world. Like Freire, he offers critical pedagogy as an antidote to the GERM education system that “replicates social inequity and creates an unthinking consumer class” (2000,123).

A truly democratic society requires people who are fully conscious, or fully awake in the world, and Greene argues it is arts-making which brings the individual intoakeness (Greene, 1997). Nussbaum (2010) argues the moral imperatives sitting beneath a democratic society are based on the creation of empathetic citizens. She argues that empathetic imagination has been systematically ignored, and severely repressed, by neo-liberal models of education. The empathetic impulse of walking in someone else’s shoes sits at the heart of drama education and so the marginalisation and diminution of drama education as deliberate GERM policy should be seen as a direct threat to democracy.

The true measure of public education is not in individual achievement, but in the success of participatory democracy. What we risk with the current educational reforms is creating classes of people disconnected from a sense that they are able to be active participants in their own lives. Alongside the yawning chasm that separates the rich and the poor, young poor people are being taught that their role in life is to obey, to conform, and to fit into the world rather than attempt to change it.

After nearly thirty five years of teaching and as I think back on these teaching moments I am reminded of Richard Flanagan who wrote so beautifully:

Then you reach an age, and you realise that moment, or if you are lucky, a handful of those moments was your life. That those moments are all and that they are everything.

And as I look back on those moments which define my teaching the warning from Flanagan is clear:

We should live for moments, yet we are so fraught with pursuing everything else, with the future, with the anchors that pull us down, so busy that we sometimes don’t even see the moments for what they are. (2009)

The Possibility of Beauty

At times, when I confess, I’m startled by beauty, by sudden insight, by a glimpse of my soul. Everything comes together and apart in one brilliant, elusive flash. I sense the wonderment of feeling human (Lee, 2006).

And the beauty created by children in schools, whether through dance or movement or images displayed on the walls, reminds children of the possibility for beauty in their lives and worlds. For children, as for adults, the pursuit of aesthetic beauty through arts making has an important purpose. It reminds us that life is not purely-functional and utilitarian; it is not merely about personal achievement. There is more to the world than economy. In this sense, drama acts as an antidote to the neo liberal agenda where schools are merely places where children are prepared for adult work. Perhaps, rather than focusing endlessly on the functional we might seek moments of beauty, moments that might startle us to realise that life can be bigger and more meaningful than mere consumption, for as William Wordsworth suggested,
The world is too much with us;  
late and soon,  
Getting and spending, we lay waste our powers:  
Little we see in Nature that is ours;  
We have given our hearts away (1806).

Moments of beauty are moments of great hope. As drama teachers we realize that our job is to create theatre that not merely describes the world, but points to ways in which it might be different. The hope of these moments stand as resistance to and as direct challenges to the Global Education Reform Movement. They are not just powerful instances of pedagogical intensity. They are also moments of political resistance that remind us that teaching is a political act, that teaching can still be a subversive process that might bring history and hope together. They challenge the neo-liberal assault on public education that deliberately creates communities without hope.

Freire recognized that critical hope confronts “the fatalism that pushes us to compromise with the surrounding reality instead of attempting to transform such reality. This is hope that challenges the seeming fixity of the future” (Freire: 2005,198). In the mad drive for functional literacy and numeracy at the expense of everything else, we risk losing hope, which as Norman Denzin suggests, gives meaning to the struggles to change the world. Hope is grounded in concrete performative practices, in struggles and interventions that espouse the sacred values of love, care, community, trust, and well-being. Hope, as a form of pedagogy, confronts and interrogates cynicism, the belief that change is not possible or is too costly. It articulates a progressive politics that rejects ‘conservative, neo-liberal postmodernity’ (Denzin: 2003:174).

The global hyper-narrative of education policy is deliberately constructed to close down critical imaginative responses by the poor to the problems they face. Schools cannot be allowed to continue being places bereft of the beauty of young people tussling with matters of significance, of making sense of the world as it is in the now. We risk the possibility of creating a society being asleep to what is happening to it. The great Indian philosopher Tagore (cited in Nussbaum) suggests we might end up with ‘nations of technically trained people who do not know how to criticise authority, useful profit makers with obtuse imaginations ... a suicide of the soul’ (2010: 142).

The great joy and the great beauty we recognize as teachers however is our audacious hope. Hope and belief not based on the evidence, but despite the evidence, hope which is the greatest challenge to social injustice that threatens its own tidal wave. For as Seamus Heaney reminds us:

So hope for a great sea-change  
On the far side of revenge.  
Believe that further shore  
Is reachable from here.  
Believe in miracle  
And cures and healing wells  
Call the miracle self-healing.  
The utter self-revealing  
Double-take of feeling  
If there’s fire on the mountain
Humility results from knowing that no single country or region of the world has a monopoly on consumer well-being. Rather, innovative public policies aimed at improving consumer well-being have originated in many countries. This presentation will review the diverse national sources of these policies.

Hope can be derived by recognizing the speed with which successful consumer policies spread among countries, typically becoming stronger and more effective in the process. Examples include auto safety, tobacco control, regulation of marketing directed at young children, and environmental protection. Hope is reinforced by examining the progression of international consumer protection standards, especially those articulated by the United Nations.

**Biography**

Dr. Robert N. Mayer is a professor in the Department of Family and Consumer Studies at the University of Utah. He earned his PhD in sociology from the University of California at Berkeley. Dr. Mayer’s research has exposed consumer problems, evaluated consumer policy interventions, and examined the U.S. and global consumer movements. In 2013, Dr. Mayer published (with Larry Kirsch) *Financial Justice: The People’s Campaign to End Lender Abuse* (Praeger, 2013) – an analysis of how the landmark Consumer Financial Protection Bureau was established in the U.S. More recently, he was co-editor (with Stephen Brobeck) of *Watchdogs and Whistleblowers*, a research guide to consumer activism worldwide. Dr. Mayer has won a number of teaching awards at the University of Utah, the most recent of which was the Honors College Professorship (2013-14). Dr. Mayer has been a board member of several consumer organizations, including the Consumer Federation of America, the American Council on Consumer Interests, and National Consumers League. The IFHE World Congress will mark Dr. Mayer’s second visit to South Korea. In 2005, he delivered an address at the 40th anniversary celebration of the College of Human Ecology at Yonsei University.
1. Consumers around the world increasingly experience many of the same problems.

2. As individual countries enact policies to solve these problems, they create learning opportunities ("laboratories") for other countries. **Humility**

3. Some consumer problems can be best addressed via international cooperation, and international policy mechanisms are evolving to do so. **Hope**
Consumer Convergence

More competition, Lower prices, More choices

Shared Consumer Problems
National Policy Innovators
International Cooperation
Automobile Safety

Earliest “Car” Policy:
Mid-19th Century England
“Locomotive Acts”
More Recent Policy Innovators

• Mandatory Seat Belts Laws
  –Australia and New Zealand in 1972

• Income-Based Traffic Fines
  –Finland

FACT

• 1.25 million annual fatalities (leading cause of death among people aged 15-29)
• 90% of fatalities occur in low- and middle-income countries (despite only 50% of world’s vehicles)
• Half of fatalities are “vulnerable road users” (pedestrians, cyclists, motorcyclists)

http://www.who.int/mediacentre/factsheets/fs358/en/
Two billion vehicles projected to be on roads by 2035

About 2 billion vehicles are estimated to be on the roads by 2035, according to a report from Navigant Research. Currently, there are about 1.3 billion vehicles on the road.

By John Voelcker, GreenCarReports | July 28, 2014


Car Ownership

Car Accidents

Hi-Tech Solutions?


Low-Tech Solutions?

International Policy Cooperation

- Global Activist Pressure
- Collective Goal Setting
- Collective Progress Monitoring

Driverless cars could reduce traffic fatalities by up to 90%, says report

They're set to have one of the biggest impacts on public health ever.

2015

Reduce road traffic fatalities by 50% by 2020

WHO Priority **Driver** Policies

- Limit speed
- Reduce driving when drinking
- Wear motorcycle helmets
- Wear seat belts
- Use child restraints
(Also: safer vehicles and roads)

International Cooperation:

*Harmonized Data Collection ➔ Peer Pressure*

Global Status Report on Road Safety 2015

Number of Countries with Best Practice Policies

(new in 2011-2014)

Rating Policy Enforcement

EXAMPLES

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#2 Tobacco

Many Anti-Tobacco Policies

• Bans/Restrictions
Policy Innovators:
Bans and Restrictions

- **Complete** (Bhutan 2010)
- **Age Restrictions** (Great Britain 1908)
- **Media Restrictions** (USA TV and Radio 1970)
- **Work and Public Place Restrictions** (Ireland 2004)
- **In Cars with Children** (Bahrain, South Africa 2009)

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Anti-Tobacco Policies—Cont.

- **Education**
  - Anti-Smoking TV PSAs (1967-70)
- **Package Information**
  - Warnings

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Policy Pioneers: Warnings

- **USA**: 1965 Side-of-Package Side Warning (WEAK BY TODAY’S STANDARDS!)
  - “Caution: Cigarette smoking may be hazardous to your health.”

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Beijing public smoking ban begins
Policy Pioneers: Warnings

- **Australia**: 1973 (Inconspicuous) *Front-of-Package Warning*
- **Sweden**: 1977 *Rotating Front-of-Package Warnings*
- **Iceland**: 1985 *Simple Graphic Warnings*
- **Canada**: 2000 *Dramatic Graphic Warnings*

[Website Link](http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3725195/)

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**#1: Canada 2000**
16 Graphic Cigarette Warnings

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**#2: Brazil 2002**
Challenges Remain

• Tobacco kills about 6 million people each year, including 600,000 from second-hand smoke
• Nearly 80% of the world’s 1 billion smokers live in low- and middle-income countries

Industry Resistance

US cigarette makers sue over graphic warning labels
© 17 August 2011 | US & Canada

Philip Morris Sues Uruguay Over Anti-Smoking Campaign
by Leon Kaye on Monday, Apr 13th, 2015

Tobacco giant sues Australia

Tobacco Giants Sue Britain Over Rules on Plain Packaging
by David Joye | Nov 22, 2015

International Policy Cooperation

• Global Activist Pressure
• Policy Consensus/Treaty
• Collective Progress Monitoring

Global Activist Pressure

QUIT NOW
WORLD NO TOBACCO DAY
31 MAY

• 2005: Entered into force
• 2015: Signed by 180 countries
• Promotes national anti-smoking policy, especially marketing restrictions
• Helps countries resist tobacco company lawsuits
• Addresses smuggling through international tracking system and other cooperative measures
• Strengthens international anti-smoking advocacy
Collective Monitoring

- Stimulates action via measurement agreement, praise, and shame
Overweight/Obese Children

• The number of overweight or obese infants and young children (aged 0 to 5 years) increased from 32 million globally in 1990 to 42 million in 2013.

World Health Organization

• The majority of overweight or obese children live in LDCs, where the rate of increase is 30% higher than in MDCs.

As Obesity Rises, Chinese Kids Are Almost as Fat as Americans

The Wall Street Journal.

May 29, 2014 5:45 pm HKT
Mexico Obesity Rate Higher Than U.S., Says U.N. Report

Posted: 07/09/2013 4:32 pm EDT | Updated: 07/09/2013 4:51 pm EDT

Policy Innovators: Advertising

- 1991: Sweden – Ad ban under 12

GREECE: 44% of boys and 38% of girls are overweight or obese, making Greek kids the fattest in the world.

According to the OECD, one reason is austerity measures that have led to tightened household budgets and the substitution of inexpensive processed and prepackaged foods for fresh fruits and vegetables.

http://www.takespart.com/photos/these-10-countries-lead-world-childhood-obesity-cope-us-aint-no-1-greece

Policy Innovators: Advertising

- 1991: Netherlands – Stylized toothbrush
Policy Innovators: Advertising

• 2008: U.K. – Ad ban for HFSS foods aimed at kids under 16

Policy Innovators: “Junk Food” Taxes

• 2011: Denmark – Tax on high-fat foods (repealed)
• 2011: Finland -- Tax on high-sugar foods
• 2011: Hungary -- Tax on high-sugar and other foods
• 2012: France -- Tax on high-sugar drinks (and with artificial sweeteners)

International Policy Cooperation

• Global Activist Pressure
• Collective Policy Framework
Activist Pressure

- World Obesity Federation

World Obesity Federation represents professional members of the scientific, medical and research communities from over 50 regional and national obesity associations. Through our membership we create a global community of organisations dedicated to solving the problems of obesity.

Our mission is to lead and drive global efforts to reduce, prevent and treat obesity.

Activist Pressure

- Consumers International WCRD

WCRD 2015: HEALTHY DIETS

Collective Policy Framework

- WHO Commission on Ending Childhood Obesity
Many Other Consumer Problems Require International Policy Solutions

Additional Problems

• Counterfeiting
• Cybercrime and Identity Theft
• Climate Change

Reasons for Optimism

International Policy Cooperation

• Collective Goal Setting
• Collective Policy Frameworks
• Collective Progress Monitoring
Thursday August 4, 10:30-11:15

Hope and Happiness in Mothering and Fathering: What Can “Positive” Approaches in Home Economics Education Do?

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Abstract

Mothering and fathering practices in many contemporary societies have been influenced partly by the sociodemographic changes such as the delay in first marriage, a decline in fertility rate, a decrease in three-generational households, and an increase in women’s labor force participation. With these changes, for example, fathers who used to play only a peripheral role in the family are now expected to be more active participants in child care and housework. Paternal involvement has also been increasingly encouraged not only by their spouses but also by the governments such as Japan and South Korea that are concerned with the lowering of the birthrates.

In my presentation, I will first describe how the demographic and socioeconomic changes affected mothering and fathering practices in contemporary societies. Further, I will explain how unique cultural values and practices are influencing parental sharing in some countries such as Japan, China, Korea, the U.S. and Sweden. Second, using “positive” sociological approach and showing various international data, I will describe how contemporary mothers and fathers share their parental responsibilities as well as their hope and happiness associated with the parental roles. Third, “positive” approaches in home economics education related to mothering and fathering will be discussed in light of how they can contribute to increase the awareness and practice of the equal parental sharing of child care and housework.

Biography

Masako Ishii-Kuntz, Ph.D. is Professor of Social Sciences and Family Studies at Ochanomizu University, Tokyo, Japan. Prior to her appointment at Ochanomizu, she taught sociology courses at the University of California, Riverside for 20 years. She is an author of many books and articles on parental involvement in child care and housework in Japan and the U.S. Her most recent solo-authored book, Sociology of Child Caring Men: In Search of Realizing Fathers’ Involvement in Child Rearing (Minerva Publications), is the first-ever academic book that proposes “positive” sociological approach to study fathers’ participation in child rearing. She served as a special editor of the two volumes of Journal of Family Issues. More than 120 of her articles and reports appeared in such journals as Journal of Marriage and Family, Family Relations, Journal of Family Issues, and Sex Roles, among others. Her most recent research project funded by the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science examines the use of internet technologies and social media services in fathering, mothering and grandparenting practices in Japan, Korea, U.S. and Sweden. Since her return to Japan, she has been actively involved in advising the governmental committees to facilitate work-life balance among employed women and men.

She served on the boards of the Japan Sociological Society, Japan Society of Family Sociology and Council on Family Relations of Japan Society of Home Economics. Ishii-Kuntz is also an associate member of the Japan Science Council. At the international level, she was a keynote speaker at the United Nations 2004 commemoration of the 10th anniversary of the International Year of the Family. She was also invited to participate in the 2008 United Nation’s Expert Group Meeting that produced policy suggestions on the topic of equal sharing of responsibilities between women and men worldwide. In recognition of her contribution to the international research and teaching of family sociology, she received the 2012 Jan Trost Award of the National Council on Family Relations in Phoenix, Arizona.
From Problem-Oriented to Positive Approaches in Social Sciences

- Problem-Oriented approach → Focus on social and psychological “problems” (Sociology and Psychology) → Why and how things do NOT work out. (Head and tail of a coin are not always opposite.)
- Positive approach → Without ignoring or replacing the conventional approach and scientific knowledge, it focuses on positive sides of human nature, and why and how things work out. → Effective intervention

Examples

- Pathological problems
  - Happiness and life satisfaction (personal growth)
  - Positive Psychology
- Domestic violence
  - “Survivors” of violence
- Jobless youths
  Hope and the society
  Economics (Not on how young people today remain jobless but rather on how young people can have a “hope” to look for jobs.)

Positive Approaches in Studying Parenting and Children

- Maternal employment
  - Negative effects on child development
  - Positive effects on child development
- Fathers’ child care
  - Lack of involvement (e.g., long work hours)
  - How and why they can be involved → Positive Sociology
- Children’s Internet use
  - Negative effects (lack of personal interaction, addiction)
  - Positive effects (academic learning, interaction with parents and others)

Demographic and Socioeconomic Changes

(1) Changes affecting mothering and fathering

(2) Parenting in South Korea, Japan, and China (compare with the U.S. and other countries, whenever possible)
Demographic and Socioeconomic Changes

- In the latter half of the 20th century, many Asian countries have undergone significant demographic and socioeconomic changes that have influenced families (Quah, 2009).

Demographic and socioeconomic changes affecting parenting

1. **Rise in women’s educational attainment and labor force participation**
2. **Delay** in marriage
3. **Decline in fertility**
4. **Decrease in average size of households**
Delay in first marriage in Japan
(Women's expectations)

- **3H's**: Height, High education, High income
- **3L's**: Low risk, Low dependence, Low attitude (Vegetable eating men)
- **3-Hands**: Giving Hands, Holding Hands, Exchanging Hands
Decrease in Household Size

Extended household → Nuclear household

(1) Korea: 29.27% (1960) → 13.95% (1990)

(2) Japan: 12.2% (1970) → 7.5% (2000)

In Other Asian Countries

- Women’s average years of schooling increased from the mid-1990 to 2000 in other Asian countries such as Malaysia (4.59 to 6.20 years) and the Philippines (6.73 to 8.18 years).
- Female labor force participation rate increased between 1990 and 2012 in other Asian countries such as the Philippines (48 to 51%), and Malaysia (43 to 44%).
- Women’s higher educational attainment, through greater career aspirations and higher marketability, may account for the increase in female labor force participation, which, in turn, has been negatively linked to the fertility rate (Bloom et al., 2007).
- A decline in fertility has been recorded in countries where both women’s educational level and labor force participation increased.

Sociodemographic Backgrounds

- Similarities → Demographic changes and cultural values of family loyalty and filial piety
- Differences
  1. History
  2. Family cultures (e.g., socialization of children)
  3. Emphasis on education
  4. Global Gender Gap Report (China 87th, Japan 104th, Korea 117th)

Family Cultures: Socialization of Children

What do parents expect most of their children? (National Women’s Education Center, NWEC 2004-2005)

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  – Women’s Educational Attainment
  – Women’s Labor Force Participation
  – Delayed Marriage
  – Fertility and Household Size

Parental Sharing of Child Care and Positive Outcomes

• Hope and Happiness
  – Child’s Social and Emotional Development (+)
  – Maternal Stress/Axiety and Parenting Attitudes (-)
  – Mothers’ careers (+)
  – Marital Quality (+)
  – Father’s Growth (+)

Why Parental Sharing?

To increase fertility rate, governments in various Asian countries began to identify the factors affecting couples’ fertility decisions.

• Japan (Abe, 2001)
  1. Financial cost of raising children
  2. Shortage of child care facilities

• South Korea (Kim, 2014)
  1. High cost for children’s education
  2. Difficulties that employed mothers experience in balancing work and family
  3. It is suggested that an increase in Korean fathers taking child care leave to support their wives is sorely needed.
Japanese Ministry of Health and Welfare’s 1999 and 2003 Campaigns

“A man who doesn’t raise his children can’t be called a father.”

“I was a coward father who did not participate in child care.”

“Ikumen” Phenomenon

- “Ikumen” (男らしく) → Men who actively participate in the care of their children. (Phonetic resemblance to “Ikemen” [handsome men] also gives an impression that fathering is a “good-looking” activity.)
- The image of “child caring men = good-looking and cool” → A radical departure from the image of child caring fathers in the 1980s and 1990s.
- Reasons for the rise of “Ikumen”:
  1. New policies and revision of laws to promote fathers’ participation → Father-friendly child care leave law and “Ikumen” Project
  2. “Fathering Japan”
  3. Prior men’s “movement”

Fathering Research

- Asian fathers’ involvement in child care is still relatively low → An increasing trend for younger men to be more involved than their own fathers’ generations (Yeung, 2010).
- Little is known about fatherhood in Asian contexts, especially compared to the voluminous research in U.S., Sweden, Norway, and other Western countries.
  1. U.S. fathers’ participation in child care has increased but the level of their physical care of children is still much less than that of mothers (Pleck, 1997).
  2. Positive effects of paternal involvement on children → Higher emotional stability, more positive relationships with others, less troubles in the neighborhood than those children with uninvolved fathers (e.g., Harris and Marmer, 1996).

Historical and Cultural Contexts of Fatherhood in Asia

1. Father’s role has been influenced by the powerful teachings of Confucianism. → Within these traditions, family remains a strong socioeconomic unit in which each member is expected to perform distinctive roles such as fathers’ breadwinning role and mothers’ care giving role.
2. A dominant family ideology in many Asian societies is still patriarchy despite an improvement in Asian women’s social status.
Other Characteristics affecting Asian Families

1. Migration within and across countries.
   (e.g.) A large number of men in the Philippines and China migrate to other regions and countries, leaving behind their children under the care of the mother, grandparents, or other relatives.

2. Family policies
   (e.g.) The one-child policy in China has impacted the way Chinese men view fatherhood.

Some findings about western fatherhood may NOT be directly applicable in Asian contexts.

Japanese Fathers: Recent Trends

There are several demographic changes that have necessitated more active paternal involvement.

1. Increase in women’s labor force participation, especially among women of childbearing years.

2. Increase in the number of double-earner families
   Traditional division of household labor where a man is the sole financial provider for the family is no longer the dominant pattern in many Japanese families.

3. Lower fertility (especially, from the Government’s view)

Korean Fathers: Recent Trends

1. Mothers’ work-related demands
2. An increase in nuclear families
3. Emergence of new social expectations regarding nurturing fathers has led Korean fathers to participate in parenting more than before (Chae and Lee, 2011).
4. Korean government’s concern with the decline in birth rates.

(1) Promotion of men’s active participation in child care
(2) Child care leave law in 1987 → A rise only since 2001 when employment insurance began to provide wage replacement at a flat rate.
(3) The number of workers who took the child care leave increased from 3,763 in 2002 to 58,137 in 2011 (Statistics Korea, 2012). However, only about 2% of child care leave takers were fathers in 2011.

Chinese Fathers: Recent Trends

• Younger Chinese known as “bǎo línghòu” (the first cohort of children born after the adoption of one-child policy in 1979.)
  → Fathers of the post-1980 generation show much affection and, in some cases, indulge them with material resources to the point of spoiling them as “Little Emperor” (Wu, 2012).

  → The children of the post-1980s are now in the midst of childbearing ages.

  • Need to be aware that this pattern may vary considerably across ethnic groups (Wu, 1996).

  → An urban-rural diversity in fathering (migration) (Jyo, 2012).

  → Fathers living in urban areas are much more likely to be directly involved in caring for their children compared to migratory workers who are unable to see their families on a regular basis.
Chinese Fathers: Recent Trends

- Chinese fathers’ increased involvement is particularly evident in areas of education.
  - 55% of the parents reported their only children’s good school achievement as the source of happiness, and more than half of the parents would punish if the child failed an exam. (Zhu, 1992)
  - Parents of only children spent much more time than parents with two or more children to help their children’s homework.
  - 76% and 51% of Beijing mothers and fathers of only children, respectively, spent more than half of their leisure time with their children. (Chen, 1986)

Hope and Happiness in Parenting: A Recent Study

- Parenting Happiness Gap: Having children makes people significantly less happy compared to people who are child-free.
- Glass et al. (2016) studied social policies, parenthood and happiness in 22 European and English-speaking countries:
  1. “Parental happiness penalty” is NOT universal. (In Norway and Hungary, parents are happier than non-parents.)
  2. U.S. has the largest happiness gap.
  3. Presence or absence of social policies allowing parents to better combine paid work with family obligations (true for both mothers and fathers.) was a strong factor.
  4. Money was less of an factor than giving parents the tools to combine employment with parenting.

Summary

1. An increase of fathers’ involvement in child care over the past few decades.
2. Despite the increase in fathering practices, Korean, Japanese, and Chinese men’s participation in child care are still much lower than those of their wives.
3. Importance for mothers and fathers to be able to balance between work and family demands.

Obstacles to Fathers’ Child Care Involvement

- Hegemonic corporate structures and environment
  - Lack of role (parts) models and mentors
  - Lack of understanding (bosses and coworkers)
- Traditional gender ideology
  - Men's ambivalence toward parental roles
  - Women's territorial concerns
Suggestions

- Research
  1. Comparative research (Cultures and structures)
  2. Longitudinal research
- Policies
  1. Child Care Leave
  2. Work-Life Balance
- Education
  1. Family Life Education
  2. **Home Economics Education**

Positive approaches to facilitate equal sharing of responsibilities between women and men

- Facilitate changes in gender roles
- Teaching of shared parental responsibility in child care
- Provide role (parts) models
- Home Economics Education is absolutely essential!

Positive approaches in home economics education on mothering and fathering

What Can “Positive” Approaches in Home Economics Education Do?

Home Economics Education in pursuit of Hope and Happiness in Shared Parenting

- Lessons about equal sharing of housework and child care
  - Lesson plans that focus on equal sharing between women and men
  - Women's pursuit for careers, Men's child care
- Practical teaching contents
  - Role play
  - Use of technology (computerized baby)
- Interactive approach with the local community
  - Direct interaction with babies and parents
  - Fathering homestay (collaboration with NPO)
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Why GRIT is Important Especially for Children, Students and Parents?

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Abstract

GRIT is mental muscles, or non-cognitive capabilities. GRIT stands for “Growing through Relatedness, Intrinsic Motivation, and Tenacity” which represent interpersonal capacity, self-motivation capacity, and self-regulation capacity, respectively. Numerous studies have shown that stronger GRIT results in better performances in the areas of, but not limited to, academy, education, sports, music, and emotion regulations. At the core of GRIT, lies self-respect, which mainly comes from the sense of self-worth, or belief in oneself’s value and worthiness.

Love and care that one can get during childhood, usually from parents, childcare givers, siblings, and family, are the most important sources of the sense of self-worth, and thus, of mental muscles and GRIT.

Biography

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He also authored national best-sellers such as Resilience and GRIT.

- GRIT for Hope & Happiness -

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GRIT stands for....

Growth through

Relatedness (= relational capacity),
Intrinsic motivation (= motivation & passion),
Tenacity (= Self-regulation)
What is GRIT?

- GRIT is the essence of the non-cognitive capacity, or the basis of motivation, tenacity, resilience, and relational competence.

- For students, the Grit Training System (GTS), will help with raising their grades and getting higher academic achievement.

- For adults, GTS will help with gaining higher task achievement, lowering stress levels, and strengthening mental muscles.

- GRIT, known to be “mental muscles,” can be developed and enhanced through regular and systematic trainings and “mental exercises.”

- The fundamental basis of GRIT is “communication competence.”

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**Achievement Competence Personality**

- 회복탄력성과 그릿, 그리고 소통 능력

- GRIT
  - 어려운 상황에 처한 사람들이 더 나은 성취와 자아 심판을 통해 나아가는 힘

- Communication Competence

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**The Two Sources of Human Capabilities: Cognitive & Non-Cognitive**

- **Cognitive Capabilities**
  - Logic
  - IQ
  - Memory

- **Non-Cognitive (GRIT)**
  - Tendancy
  - Sociality
  - Motivation

- **Human Capabilities**
  - Resilience
  - Passion

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**Frontal Lobe**

전두엽: 이상 ( kortingshcer)

Amygdala

편도체: 감정 (부정정서)
Differences are in the brain!


Fig. 2. Brain activation derived from fMRI during the rest of the pre-decision tasks — control task was a no response and the requested goal in each case: the goal shown represents the one whose reward brain activity was shown in the group mean. The color codes give the F-values for the F-test of those voxels significantly different above the noise and control tasks, and is r-f1.1.13 mg (b) r-f1.1.13 mg (F). The F-test of those voxels significantly different above the noise and control tasks, and is r-f1.1.13 mg (b) r-f1.1.13 mg (F).

Self-Regulation: I <-> Self
Capacity of dealing with oneself
Emotional Regulation
Perseverance
Positivity
Relational Capacity: I ↔ Others
Capacity of dealing with others
Empathy
Sociality
Self-Expression

Motivation: I ↔ Work
Capacity of dealing with work
Intrinsic motivation
Autonomy
Competence

GRIT and related concepts and components

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Resilience
Mental muscles that provide power through which one may transform adversities, setbacks, and failures into a springboard for success.
Figure 1 - Concept of resilience

DeVILOpMENT

SHOCK or STRESS

RESILIENCE

COU NTERS

CO L LAPSE

TI ME

The two kinds of balls

Emmy Werner's Findings

1. Emotional supports
   They were loved when they were young!

2. Healthy interpersonal relationships
   Capacity to love and respect
   Sense of self-worth → Self-respect
James Heckman's Findings

We need to foster "soft skills" for children

1. perseverance → self-control capability
2. social skills → relational capability

⇒ Capacity toward oneself & others

Two Components of Resilience

1. Self-Control Capability
   = Emotional Regulation + Perseverance + Positivity
2. Relational Capability
   = Empathy + Relatedness + Communication Competence

Sense of Self-Worth

→ Self-Respect
→ Self-Regulation
Works on GRIT and Non-Cognitive Capabilities

GRIT (2013)
The Best Seller by Professor Jooho Kim

Resilience (2011)
Another Best Seller by Jooho Kim

Promoting Grit, Tenacity, and Perseverance (2013)
An Extensive Report on GRIT and Non-Cognitive Capabilities by U.S. Department of Education

Self-Affirmation Theory
Talk to yourself the right thing
I respect myself
I respect people around me
I respect what I do

Respect is the Key!
Respect for self --> self regulation
Respect for others --> relational capacity
Respect for work --> motivation and passion
We live in a health society. Health is created in the context of our everyday lives: where we live, love, work, play, travel, shop and google. Health is also ever more important in the political, the economic and the social sphere. But health and well-being cannot be produced by one sector - it requires the whole of government to be committed to health.

Yet even that is not enough - the whole of society (individuals, communities, families, business, associations) needs to contribute to make our environments and our lifestyles more supportive of health. Especially business is challenged to ensure and promote healthy workplaces, environments and products. Health is determined by the resources we have at our disposal - the greatest threat to health are inequalities. Globalization, urbanization and commercialization significantly influence the choices we (can) make for health as does our level of health literacy. What does it take to make the healthier choice the easier choice for citizens - and health the political choice for decision makers? How does our local health link to global health? How can we jointly create a healthier planet?

These issues will be raised and discussed - also with reference to the global agenda of the sustainable development goals SDGs.

Biography

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Combined impacts

- Many of the risks we deal with in the 21st century are related to both unintended and neglected consequences of progress and change, a chain of secondary effects on which we are now required to act. This means dealing with "the combined impacts of rapid demographic, environmental, social, technological and other changes in our ways-of-living".

6 Challenges for health at global and local level

1. New landscapes of inequality

poor people living in wealthy countries account for most of the world’s poverty-related illness.

2. Global health – planetary health

- the health of people can no longer be seen separate from the health of the planet and wealth measured along with parameters of growth will no longer ensure health.
3. Challenges of Health Security

- Ebola
- ZIKA
- AMR
- FLU
- Yellow fever

4. NCDs and Obesity

Leading risk factors for disease burden in the world in 2010

- Heart disease
- Stroke
- Diabetic retinopathy
- Diabetic nephropathy
- Chronic respiratory disease
- Chronic kidney disease
- Physical injury
- Mental health problems
- Nebular neoplasms
- Liver cirrhosis
- Cirrhosis of liver
- Diabetic neuropathy
- Intestinal obstruction
- Malnutrition
- Diabetic retinopathy
- Diabetic nephropathy
- Cardiovascular disease
- Chronic lung disease
- Disability

5. Movement of people

- Almost 216 million people, or 3.15% of the world population, live outside their countries

6. Global Care Chains

Global care chains: Toward a rights-based global care regime?
People

- But we have not only failed the planet –
- we have also failed the most vulnerable: populations in fragile states, victims of war, refugees, asylum seekers, trafficked populations, people in forced labour, slaves and global migrant workers.
- The number of people affected by crises around the world has almost doubled over the past decade: **60-80 million people**

The way forward.....

"The only way to build a shared living space deliberately is through politics". (Purdy 2015)

2015 Year of global problem solving

- the **Third International Conference on Financing for Development** in July 2015 adopted the "Addis Ababa Action Agenda".
- the **United Nations Summit in September 2015** adopted the post-2015 development agenda and agreed on seventeen **Sustainable Development Goals** (SDGs).
- the **2015 United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP21)** adopted the **Paris agreement**, the first-ever universal, legally binding global climate deal and
- the **World Trade Organization Ministerial Conference**, also in December 2015, adopted the **Nairobi Package** with a focus on agriculture, with the aim to support the least-developed countries.

UN - Transformative agenda

- ".. global risks open up a complex moral and political space of responsibility in which the others are present and absent, near and far, and in which actions are neither good nor evil, only more or less risky. The meanings of proximity, reciprocity, dignity, justice and trust are transformed within this horizon of expectation of global risks" (Ulrich Beck 2009)
The Sustainable Development Goals

1. NO POVERTY
2. Zero hunger
3. Good health and well-being
4. Quality education
5. Gender equality
6. Clean water and sanitation
7. Affordable and clean energy
8. Decent work and economic growth
9. Industry innovation and infrastructure
10. Reduced inequalities
11. Sustainable cities and communities
12. Responsible consumption and production
13. Climate action
14. Life below water
15. Life on land
16. Peace and justice
17. Partnerships for the goals

What creates health?

- Health Determinants:
  - Political
  - Economic
  - Social
  - Commercial
  - Environmental
  - Behavioural

Increasing focus on Governance

- Governance is the process through which governments and other social organizations interact, relate to citizens and take decisions in an increasingly complex world.

- It differs across political systems, with many ways in which “individuals and institutions, public and private, manage their common affairs.” (Commission on Global Governance 1995)
“Safeguarding both human health and the natural systems that underpin it”.

Health – wealth interface

- Health no longer automatically follows wealth because:
- much of the progress in health "has so far been achieved at the price of increased CO2 emission that drives the imminent climate crisis”.
- Economic growth presently linked with rise in NCDs
- Increase of health inequalities - the concentration of wealth and power in fewer hands

Health – Climate Interface

Impact of Climate Change on Human Health

How we organize our societies....
The local - global interface

- Health is created in the context of everyday life, where people live, love, work, and play – travel, shop, and google...

The global food system

WHO leadership

- The challenge for the WHO is to reinterpret its constitutional role "to act as the directing and coordinating authority on international health work".

Until recently, this was seen mainly as coordinating health actors at different levels of governance - today this must be understood as positioning health in the global political landscape where decisions are taken by heads of government and in other sectors.
Role of heads of state –
G7 presidency response 2015 and 2016

G7 GERMANY
2015 | Schloss Elmau

Politics of health at the United Nations

- Security Council HIV AIDS 2000
- Millennium Development Goals 2000
- UNGASS HIV AIDS 2001
- UN General Assembly: Global Health and Foreign Policy 2009 ff
- UN General Assembly: Non Communicable Diseases 2010
- Post2015 MDGs / SDGs starting 2013 UNGASS
- SDGs 2015
- Security Council Ebola 2015 – High level panel
- UNGA Ebola AMR 2016

Role of business

The role of cities
The present global health crisis is not primarily one of disease but of governance – and we all contribute at all levels: global, regional, national and local.
Which comes first, work or family life? Many Korean working women are plagued by this question. It is not easy to do both well. Many women start working to use what they studied in school and build their career but suffer from mental stress.

According to a recent (April 2015) survey conducted by Statistics Korea, the number of married women aged 15 – 54 who have experienced interrupted careers stood at 2.05 million, i.e., 21.8% of all married women (9.42 million). Their reasons for stopping working included marriage (36.9%), child care (29.9%), pregnancy/childbirth (24.4%), and family care (4.9%).

Many of the women who have gone through interrupted careers work as irregular workers to make a living, and their jobs are generally inferior to their previous jobs. It means that their potential is not fully utilized, which results in the drop of national competitiveness. Thus, it is necessary to come up with a step designed to make work and family life compatible by preventing interrupted careers experienced by women and encouraging them to take part in economic activities more positively. The government needs to promote a family policy focusing on compatibility of work and family life through efforts made to improve corporate culture and the view adopted by the general public.

For said goal, the government has adopted policies encouraging family-friendly management, husbands’ temporary retirement for childcare, working couples, and provision of reliable childcare services. Public agencies need to set examples in adopting measures like these. The government has made it compulsory for all public agencies to undergo family-friendly certification since 2017.

Through such efforts, the workplace atmosphere is expected to be created in a way that is welcomed by employees' families, which in turn will help enhance the country’s national competitiveness, with public agencies playing a leading role.

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