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MORRIS, Minnesota (January 26, 2017)—The University of Minnesota, Morris will host the Innovate! Teaching with Technology Conference June 13–14. This two-day conference will bring together K–12 and college educators as well as technology leaders to discuss important issues and innovations related to technology in the classroom.

Session presentations will showcase effective and innovative uses of technology and provide valuable information participants can utilize at their schools. Information provided will support collaboration and will be applicable to a broad variety of education levels. To submit a session proposal, fill out the form at morris.umn.edu/innovate2017 by Monday, February 6. Presenters of accepted proposals will be notified of selection in late February.

Helen Mongan-Rallis, associate professor in the education department at the University of Minnesota Duluth (UMD) and a University of Minnesota Distinguished Teaching Professor, will be the conference keynote speaker. Originally from South Africa, Mongan-Rallis developed a lifelong passion for seeking ways in which education could empower and help all students learn as a result of her experiences in education under the apartheid system. She has become increasingly engaged both in intercultural pedagogy and educational technology, seeing each field as central to teaching our increasingly diverse student population. From the start of her teaching career Mongan-Rallis has been an early adopter of emerging technologies and has led the way in her department and on the UMD campus in piloting new technology initiatives. She teaches courses to undergraduate and graduate students on topics related to teaching with technology and online, hybrid, and flipped teaching. She also is engaged in research, faculty development, and a variety of service work in the areas of educational technology, intercultural pedagogy, and intercultural leadership development.

Registration for the conference (full registration $150, presenter registration $125, campus affiliates/students $80) will open in April. To learn more, visit morris.umn.edu/innovate2017.

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