



Dr. Rachel Krantz presents

Developing Intercultural Competence through Perspective Taking

Tuesday, March 28, 3-4 p.m.

W.H. Shipley Recital Hall, Frank Arts Center

Instruction in modern languages is not just about developing communicative competence; it is also about fostering the global understanding and cultural respect that will help our students thrive in an increasingly interconnected world. But how can these attitudes be cultivated in the classroom? This presentation explores several possibilities, focusing on the technique known as perspective taking.

Free and open to the public.

About Dr. Krantz

Dr. Rachel Krantz joined the faculty of Shepherd's Department of English and Modern Languages in 2004 after teaching French and German for several years in the St. Louis area. Dr. Krantz received her M.A. from the University of Munich in 1993, where she studied French, German, and Spanish. After returning to the U.S., Dr. Krantz pursued doctoral studies in French at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, writing her dissertation on Marguerite Duras. Dr. Krantz's areas of specialization include 19th- and 20th-century French literature, French and Francophone culture, and film studies. After writing several articles about French female directors, she shifted her focus to pedagogy and best practices in the classroom. She is currently working on an interactive, multimedia supplement that encourages language learning through cultural exploration.