



CONFERENCE ON LANGUAGE, LEARNING AND CULTURE

INTRODUCING CLLC 2015! "NEXT-GENERATION ASSESSMENT"

THE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AT VIRGINIA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY WILL BE HOSTING THE **CONFERENCE ON LANGUAGE, LEARNING, AND CULTURE (CLLC)** ON **APRIL 10-11, 2015**, WITH THE GOAL OF SHARING BEST PRACTICES AND EMERGING TRENDS IN ASSESSMENT.

"Everyone is a genius. But if you judge a fish on its ability to climb a tree, it will live its whole life believing that it is stupid."

-ALBERT EINSTEIN

"If you don't know where you are headed, you'll probably end up someplace else."

-DOUGLAS J. EDER

"If we always do what we've always done, we will get what we've always got."

-ADAM URBANKSI

The 2015 conference intends to reframe assessment in terms of its ability to meet the needs and achieve the goals of all stakeholders: contributing to students' learning and empowering them with awareness of their strengths and areas for development; giving educators additional diagnostic information and tools to adapt their instruction; and providing administrators, testing organizations, policy makers, and community members with rigorous data on outcomes that can be used to improve educational programs.

The goal is to begin a solutions-oriented dialogue on the next generation of innovations in assessment, acknowledging the interplay among a variety of factors related to language, learning, and culture.