

## DR. JIM GIESER

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### EDUCATION

<b>Ed.D.</b>	Higher Education and Student Affairs <i>Indiana University</i> Dissertation topic: International academic partnerships	2013
<b>M.Phil.</b>	Higher Education Studies <i>University of Cape Town</i> Dissertation topic: How American students navigate the study abroad journey	2009
<b>M.A.</b>	Biblical Studies <i>Wheaton College Graduate School</i>	2007
<b>B.A.</b>	Interdisciplinary Studies <i>Wheaton College</i>	2001

### WORK EXPERIENCE

<b>Assistant Director, Study Abroad</b> <b>Western Carolina University</b>	2016 – 2018
Directed all aspects of WCU's summer, semester and yearlong study abroad programs. Improved effectiveness of the program, resulting in a 40% increase of study abroad participants. Intentionally facilitated leadership and growth experiences to administrative staff and graduate student assistants.	
<b>Director / Associate Director, Master of Arts in Organizational Leadership Programs</b> <b>Development Associates International</b>	2013 – 2015
Led a 7-person, cross-continental, cross-cultural staff in the execution of DAI's Master of Arts in Organizational Leadership program. At the time, the 3-year, part-time degree program enrolled more than 800 Christian leaders across 17 academic institutions throughout Africa and Asia. I taught the following courses in the program:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Servant Leadership: Kampala, Uganda</li><li>• Strategic Planning: Mumbai, India</li><li>• Research Methods: Kathmandu, Nepal</li><li>• Research Methods: Yangon, Myanmar</li></ul>	
<b>Research Associate</b> <b>Indiana University Center for Postsecondary Research</b>	2009 – 2012
Managed communications and participation with scores of U.S. universities participating in the National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE), an annual national survey that helps higher education institutions deliberately develop institutional structures and behaviors that deepen student engagement.	
<b>Short-term International Programs Officer</b> <b>University of Cape Town, South Africa</b>	2007 – 2008
Arranged short-term programs for cohorts from American universities. Developed strong working relationships with university personnel and off-campus contacts such as NGOs, government offices, and cultural sites.	
<b>Admissions Counselor</b> <b>Wheaton College</b>	2005 – 2007

Managed all aspects of the admissions process for my applicant pool, including interviews, application review, admission decisions, and recruitment travel. Presented persuasively about the Wheaton experience to groups from 2 to 100 people.

**Teacher and Administrator, Black Forest Academy  
Kandern, Germany**

2002 – 2004

Served a diverse population of globally-experienced high school students in various roles, including Acting Athletic Director, PE instructor, yearbook teacher, substitute dorm parent, sports coach and assistant to the Chaplain.

## OTHER TRAINING

**Coaching Mastery Certificate Program**

2019

**Creative Results Management, Seattle, WA**

Completed 73 hours of coach-specific training as part of the ACSTH Professional Coach Certificate Program approved by the International Coach Federation, including 10 hours of mentor-coaching.

**Growth in Prayer and Reflective Living through Ignatian Spirituality**

2020 – 2021

**Drumalis, County Antrim, Northern Ireland**

Completed this one-year experiential training program (75 hours) based on spiritual practices established by Ignatius of Loyola.

## ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS

Beechler Dissertation Award, School of Education, Indiana University

2012

Raleigh W. Holmstedt Dissertation Year Fellowship, School of Education, Indiana University

2012-2013

## ACADEMIC ARTICLES

- Gieser, J. D. (2016). An International Academic Partnership Through a Policy Implementation Lens: Top-Down, Bottom-Up or Somewhere In Between? *FIRE: Forum for International Research in Education*, 2(3). doi: <http://dx.doi.org/10.18275/fire201602031094>
- Gieser, J. (2015). A Sociocultural Investigation of Identity: How Students Navigate the Study Abroad Experience. *Journal of College Student Development*, 56:6 (pp. 637-643).
- Gieser, J. D. (2010). The College Literary Society: The Athenian Society of Indiana University During the Nineteenth Century. *Journal of the Indiana University Student Personnel Association (2010 ed.)* (pp. 5-16). Bloomington, IN: Indiana University.

## MAGAZINE AND WEB ARTICLES

- Gieser, J. (2015). *International Academic Partnerships as an Effective Internationalization Strategy*. IDEAS blog, Association for Christians in Student Development. 24 April 2015. Url: <http://www.acsd.org/article/international-academic-partnerships-as-an-effective-internationalization-strategy/>
- Gieser, J. (2012). Financial Aid Through a Bourdieu-ian Lens: Inequality Perpetuated or an Opportunity for Change? *Journal of College Admission. Summer, Issue 216* (pp. 9-14).
- Gieser, J. (2012). *Journal Spotlight: Financial Aid Through a Bourdieu-ian Lens: Inequality Perpetuated or an Opportunity for Change?* National Association for College Admission Counseling website. Posted July 23, 2012. Location: [www.nacanet.org/learning/communities/Admitted/default.aspx](http://www.nacanet.org/learning/communities/Admitted/default.aspx)
- BrckaLorenz, A. & Gieser, J. (2011). Diversity and Global Awareness. Selected results featured in *National Survey of Student Engagement: Fostering Student Engagement Campuswide – Annual Results 2011* (p. 18). Bloomington, IN: Indiana University Center for Postsecondary Research.

## ACADEMIC CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- Gieser, J. (2013). *International Academic Partnerships: Lessons From the Field*. Presentation at the North Carolina Association of International Educators, Greensboro, NC.
- Haeger, H., Lambert, A., Kinzie, J., & Gieser, J. (2012). *Using Cognitive Interviews to Improve Survey Instruments*. Presentation at the Association for Institutional Research Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA.
- BrckaLorenz, A. & Gieser, J. (2011). *Global Awareness and Student Engagement*. Presentation at the Association for the Study of Higher Education Annual Conference, Charlotte, NC.
- Sarra, S., Gonyea, R. M., Gieser, J., & Brooks, J. (2011). *Updating NSSE: What's Been Done and Where are We Heading?* Presentation at the Assessment Institute, Indianapolis, IN.

## FAMILY

Married to Julianna (Hawkins) Gieser in 2001.

We have five children :

- Gemma (deceased in 2013, age 3)
- Timo, age 9
- Mattias, age 7
- Hawkins, age 4 ½
- Ruth, age 2