



The Spectrum Institute for Teaching and Learning Buckeystown, MD

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Call for Literature

The Institute is committed to continuously updating the Spectrum research literature. You are cordially invited to submit your Spectrum research for inclusion on the website. Please use the form on the Literature page to submit your Spectrum research and articles.

We also would like to invite our colleagues to contribute Spectrum news, information or upcoming events for future newsletters. Please send your comments to the address above with "SITL Newsletter" as the subject line.

Email: webmaster@spectrumofteachingstyles.org or
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Website: <http://spectrumofteachingstyles.org>

New Website

Perhaps the most time consuming project this year has been the new website. This Web re-design includes more updates, topics and information as well as a new look. It required the completion of many other projects so they too could be included on our new site. Notice we even have a new web address (spectrumofteachingstyles.org).

The new Web overhaul includes:

- The inclusion of more literature listings and PDF files - we invite you to submit your articles for review to be included in the Spectrum literature collection. If you find corrections or omissions in the existing list, please contact us.
- The preservation of many of the Center on Teaching materials from the pre-computer days - there are many more archival projects yet to be tackled.
- The production of a video tribute to Muska Mosston - we have enough pictures to have a full length movie about Muska!
- An updating of the pictures for the individual styles - we are working to collect more powerful still pictures that depict each style. Please submit any pictures that you may have of the styles.



Research Paper

Michael Goldberger, Sara Ashworth, and Mark Byra collaborated to produce a response (which is currently under review) to a very philosophical and stimulating paper by Sicilia-Camacho, A., & Brown, D. (2008), Revisiting the paradigm shift from the *versus* to the *non-versus* notion of Mosston's Spectrum of teaching styles in physical education pedagogy: A critical pedagogical perspective. *Physical Education and Sport Pedagogy*, 13(1), 85-108. Our paper, The Spectrum of Teaching Styles-Revisited 2009 attempts to address several misconceptions about the inception of the Spectrum, the versus/non-versus issue, and the ultimate use of the Spectrum.

Online Book Edition

The Spectrum Institute is very pleased to make available the **first online edition of Teaching Physical Education** to students and colleagues. The decision to shift the textbook from the publishing company to Sara Ashworth and the Spectrum Institute was difficult; however, the increased difficulty in obtaining the text, the increased cost of the text and the text errors in the previously published edition were issues that we felt needed to be corrected. We trust that readers will adhere to the copyright laws and that each reader who uses our materials will also participate in supporting our Spectrum efforts. We invite you to contribute what you can to help our non-profit organization. Whatever the amount, it will be helpful and appreciated. It is with respect for our previous readers and our future readers that we make available this First Online edition of **Teaching Physical Education**.

Episode Database

Institute staff are producing an episode database with concrete examples of classroom lesson plans for the various styles. Again, if any of you have examples that you would like to submit, please forward them to mgoldberger@spectrumofteachingstyles.org

Spectrum Institute Workshops and Seminars

The most important mission of the Institute is to promote utilization of the Spectrum of Teaching Styles around the world. Toward this end the Institute sponsors a variety of different types of workshops and seminars for a variety of different purposes.

CONFERENCES AT INSTITUTE HEADQUARTERS

The Institute currently has two headquarters, one in Buckeystown Maryland and the other in Jupiter Florida. Both locations are convenient to international airports. Both can provide accommodations for guests for short-term or extended visits and both have ample meeting spaces for seminars and technical support.

THREE TYPES OF EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES ARE AVAILABLE:

1. CONFERENCES IN CONJUNCTION WITH PROFESSIONAL CONVENTIONS

The Institute on occasion sponsors seminars and workshops just prior to or following professional conventions or conferences at the national or international level. The first national Spectrum Institute conference was held in Buckeystown, MD in conjunction with the Baltimore AAHPERD conference, March 2007. In September 2007, under the auspices of FEPSAC and the assistance of Dr. Nikolaos Digelidis from the University of Thessaly, Department of Physical Education and Sport Sciences, the 1st International Spectrum Symposium: A Reunion and a Review was organized at the 12th European Congress of Sport Psychology, in Halkidiki, Greece. An upcoming Spectrum conference is planned at the AAHPERD conference in Tampa at the end of March 2009. Details will be forthcoming.

2. SPECIAL/PRIVATE SEMINARS

The Institute is prepared to entertain your special needs and interests. If a project of your interest also helps to promote the Institute's mission, arrangements can be made for short or long term visits to one of the Institute's headquarters while you work on your short-term or long-term project with Institute staff. Teachers, administrators, graduate students, professors and researchers are welcome to request private or group seminars and accommodations. Please contact our Director, Dr. Sara Ashworth, to discuss your ideas.

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3. ON-LINE OPPORTUNITIES

The Institute is developing a series of on-line seminars, courses, and services. These would be topical and would utilize a variety of technologies. On-line seminars provide participants with the utmost in flexibility in terms of time and location.

Thank You

As this 2008 year closes, it is important to thank those who have worked so hard for so many. I am appreciative and thankful to our support staff, which includes secretaries, Web designers, video production managers, and team members who do so much that they don't have a specific job title, for all the work they have done this year. We have many more future projects that continue to guide us as we expand the study opportunities at the Spectrum Institute. Come join us!

Sara

2009 Upcoming Events

March 2009 Pre-AAHPERD Spectrum conference

The Spectrum Institute is contemplating a conference for Monday, March 30, 2009, in Tampa, Florida, just prior to the start of the AAHPERD national convention. The conference will be held at a hotel near the convention center. Participants will be on their own for housing and most meals. There will be a dinner on Monday evening. The conference fee will be \$50, which includes the all-conference dinner on Monday and conference materials. We will decide on whether or not to schedule this conference based on general interest, so please let us know if you would attend. We will then make a decision and let you know.

July 2009, The 26th ACHPER International Conference, Brisbane, Queensland Australia

Sara has been invited to give a keynote presentation at the ACHPER international conference. The conference theme is Creating Active Futures and Sara's address will focus on: A Teaching Repertoire - The Role and Contributions of Alternative Teaching-Learning Approaches. Creating active futures will require a vision that includes alternatives, invites participation, and creates inclusion while supporting flexibility of programs. The conference will be held at the Kelvin Grove Campus of the Queensland University of Technology.

September 2009, AIESEP Board Meeting

The facilities at the Jupiter Florida Spectrum Institute will be used by the AIESEP board for their pre-conference work sessions before the September 24-26 AIESEP International Future Scientific Meetings to be held at Pensacola, Florida USA.

September 24-26, AIESEP Conference

Several Spectrum colleagues will attend the AIESEP Scientific Meeting conference September 24-26 in Pensacola, FL. The theme of the conference will be "The Physically Active Lifestyle: A Collaboration Among Professions". If other Spectrum colleagues are interested in joining our presentation, please contact us at sashworth@spectrumofteachingstyles.org