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The Career Center Hosts Australian Career Services Professional, Bernadette Gigliotti



TALLAHASSEE, FL – During the week of November 11th, the Florida State University Career Center will host Bernadette Gigliotti, Manager of the Careers and Employment Unit at Swinburne University in Melbourne, Australia. She previously held the role of Executive Manager of Career Education Association of Victoria (CEAV) and currently serves as the President of the Career Industry Council of Australia (CICA). This is the national peak industry body advising the federal government on matters relating to the career development of all Australians.

In 2010, Bernadette developed the Careers Curriculum Framework for the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (DEECD). In 2002, she published *Future Choices*, 'a careers education textbook for students. She has developed numerous resources for the

implementation of work experience and workplace learning programs for secondary schools in Victoria. Bernadette was selected to lead the restructuring of the Swinburne University Careers and Employment Unit as the university implements its 2020 vision for the future development of its students and the wider community. Bernadette has chosen to visit the Florida State University Career Center to gather information to use in redesigning the career services at her university. Another goal is to create future partnerships, as she explained:

"Part of our trip would be to gather information on potential opportunities to build a working partnership between the two universities with potential for research into career development and movement of students in global economies. We are also interested in training staff in your methods, student e-portfolios, and the training of undergraduates in career counselling. If we can set up this dialogue, our intent would also be to have an exchange program between the two universities, first with academics and then with students."

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