## Pierre-Olivier Weiss PROSPECTS FOR COMPARATIVE RESEARCH IN CARIBBEAN STATES







# OUR COLLEGE OF EDUCATION: BIRTH OF A RESEARCH PROJECT

#### College of Education

- ▶ 1/ Educating and training future teachers and counselors.
- ▶ 2/ Social and Human Sciences research with the objective of completing a written Masters' thesis.

#### Research project

- Innovating comparative research project financed by the Territorial Committee of Martinique (CTM).
- ▶ 2 weeks in St. Lucia (October 2017) with 12 students.
- ▶ Methodology: observation, interviews and data collection.



## **RESEARCH THEMES**

- Interactions and acquisitions in language classes.
- Autobiographies in middle school.
- Linguistic diversity and autonomy in kindergarten.
- ▶ Punishment at school.





- Student's motivation.
- Effects of parents' involvement on their child's learning.
- ► Teacher training and school inclusion.
- ► Effects of games on eating behaviors.
- ► Etc.

### WHAT'S NEXT?

- This first exchange is an initial stepping stone into a collaborative project between different educational bodies in St. Lucia and in Martinique.
- June 2018: Comparative results presentation in St. Lucia.
- <u>2019</u>: Publication in our College of Education Journal (English and French).
- ▶ And preparation of future exchanges and reception of teachers from St. Lucia into our institutions (research & French courses).
- ► And development of this type of exchange and research in other Eastern Caribbean States.



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