5th INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE
CHILD PEDAGOGY
CHILDHOOD AND EDUCATION IN THE AGE OF GLOBALIZATION
November 19–20, 2026

Organizer
Institute of Pedagogy
University of Applied Sciences in Leszno
in cooperation with the Section of Elementary Education of the Committee on Pedagogical Sciences

Announcement No. 1

The aim of the conference is to foster discussion on theories and practices, traditions and challenges in the education of preschool and early school-age children in Poland and worldwide. Contemporary times, due to increasing changes in various areas of human life, give rise to numerous dilemmas in children's education. Problems resulting from globalization, faced by modern educators, require continuous reconstruction of previous experiences, consideration of diverse perspectives and contexts, as well as responses to emerging challenges.

The conference, as a meeting of various communities, provides an excellent opportunity for social exchange of viewpoints, ideas, and innovative solutions.

The conference is addressed to:

1. representatives of academic communities (researchers, theorists),
2. representatives of educational institutions (teacher educators and professional development staff for teachers, educators, and child caregivers),
3. practitioners and innovative teachers,
4. directors of educational institutions,
5. founders of schools, kindergartens, and other educational institutions, as well as authors of educational programs and original classes,
6. educational policymakers, members of educational associations, and representatives of innovative pedagogical movements.

This year’s conference will focus on discussions concerning inspiring and supporting child development from historical and contemporary perspectives, including global, technological, multicultural, and alternative educational theories and practices—both Polish and international—highlighting current trends and directions of change.

We also aim to emphasize the essence, meaning, and role of the child in theoretical explorations, as well as in proposed solutions and practices. During the two-day conference, we will reflect on child pedagogy in Poland and beyond. We will critically examine ongoing changes, reforms, innovations, and their social reception.

To ensure proper preparation for this debate, all updates regarding program changes, as well as the structure and schedule of sessions, will be published on Facebook and on the official website of the University of Applied Sciences in Leszno.

Thematic Panels

1. Sources and origins of child pedagogy
2. Tradition and modernity in child pedagogy in the context of increasing globalization, technologization, and multiculturalism
3. Childhood in the age of globalization
4. Didactic areas of child pedagogy in the age of globalization
5. Educational environments supporting child development in the age of globalization
6. Diagnosis and development of children's abilities and creativity
7. Learning and behavioral difficulties
8. Early childhood education teachers – education, professional development, competencies, and professionalization
9. The digital environment as a source of inspiration and support for children's development
10. Children from culturally diverse environments
11. Global and Polish trends in child pedagogy

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Conference scope: International
Conference languages: Polish, English

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Participants will receive the certificates of attendance.

Detailed and updated information will be provided in Announcement No. 2.

IMPORTANT DATES

19.10.2026 – submission of participation forms, presentation topics, and short abstracts
10.11.2026 – conference fee payment deadline
16.11.2026 – distribution of the preliminary conference program
15.01.2027 - deadline for paper submission

Applications should be submitted electronically via the form available at:

Registration form for the 5th International Scientific Conference Child Pedagogy, 19-20.11.2026 – fill in the form

For matters related to the conference, please contact us at the following email address: pedagogika-dziecka@ansleszno.pl