

International Projects College of Education

International Inbound Short Course

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School Leadership



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COURSE SUMMARY

This is a full time 4 week course focusing on the issues of school leadership and the training of leadership skills. Training is workshop and classroom based (including participatory and experiential sessions) with observation visits to school

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE

- *To gain new perspectives on the leadership role of the Head-teacher.
- *To deepen understanding of the factors involved in creating an effective school (where learning is the central goal).
- *To develop a sound understanding of contemporary theories relating to learning and an awareness of practices and procedures that can guide the management of teaching and learning for improved student achievement.
- *To introduce systematic methods for supervising, supporting and professionally developing teaching staff.
- *To develop skills for motivating teachers to change traditional practices of classroom management and interactions with students and colleagues.
- *To explore inclusive education strategies at the school and classroom level that create effective learning opportunities for disadvantaged students.

EXPECTED OUTCOMES

- *Head-teachers who see themselves as leaders of learning in the school and give priority to the supervision of the professional work and development of their staff.
- * Trainers of Head-teachers with knowledge of leadership practices that improve the quality of teaching and student achievement in schools and with the skills to develop and implement training courses that improve Head-teacher performance.
- *Educational leaders who are well informed about effective leadership strategies and practices that can improve the quality of teaching and student achievement in schools; and with the skills to effectively monitor and support SMT, Head-teachers and teachers to improve their performance.

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TEACHING STAFF

Delivery of the programme will be made by highly qualified and experienced specialist staff from the University of Canterbury, as well as experts from practice (including school principals), and relevant government bodies.

The College of Education has national and international research leaders in multiple domains of educational study. We have a commitment to world-class research, teaching, and professional development in Education and Human Development.

ACCOMMODATION DURING THE COURSE

The University of Canterbury will organize accommodation for the duration of the course. This can be either full board Homestays with local families or self catering accommodation in Halls of Residence on the University campus. The University will also organize transfers to and from Christchurch International Airport.

TESTIMONIALS

"It is an excellent training programme. As a Headmaster I learnt so many things, especially about curriculum, school management and leadership. I strongly believe these experiences will help me to be more efficient and effective."

"As a Headmaster this course is very helpful to me...the course changed my ideas about leadership."

-Participants in the August/September 2010 programme for the Bangladesh Ministry of Education

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