

We cordially invite you – in cooperation with AUCEN – to a follow-up workshop of last year's symposium in our series of competence development in University Continuing Education:

WORKSHOP “LEARNING OUTCOMES IN UNIVERSITY CONTINUING EDUCATION”

Monday 22 September 2008 (11.00 – 17.00) – Tuesday 23 September 2008 (9.00 – 17.00)
Universität Graz, Zentrum für Weiterbildung, Harrachgasse 23, 8010 Graz

TARGET GROUPS

This workshop addresses:

Primarily, university staff currently writing learning outcomes for University Continuing Education programmes;

Secondly, multipliers; i.e. colleagues who have a supportive role in implementing learning outcomes in University Continuing Education at their own university.

As workshop places are limited, universities are kindly requested to discuss nominations for the workshops; ideally one colleague from each of the above groups would take part.

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION (Limited number of participants)

Until **Wednesday 17 September 2008**: two places per university are reserved.
After this date, registrations will be accepted on a first come first served basis.

LANGUAGE

English

PRESENTER

Declan Kennedy MSc, MEd, PhD, HDipEd, FICI

Declan Kennedy graduated from University College Cork with a BSc in Chemistry, a Postgraduate Diploma in Education and an MSc in X-ray crystallography. He subsequently studied science education at the University of York, England and graduated with a Masters Degree in Education and a PhD in Education. He spent over 20 years teaching science in Colaiste Muire Secondary School, Cobh, Co Cork. He was appointed lecturer in science education at University College Cork in 1998 and was promoted to senior lecturer in 2006. He is the programme co-ordinator of the Postgraduate Diploma in Education (Science), Masters Degree in Science Education, BSc in Science Education and the Postgraduate Certificate/Diploma in Primary Science at University College Cork. Also, he is a lecturer on the Postgraduate Certificate/Diploma in Teaching and Learning in Higher Education where his specialist topic is the area of Learning Outcomes. He is external examiner for the University of Brunel, London, England. He is the Irish representative on the OECD science committee for the Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) and also serves on the PISA National Committee of Ireland. He has written several science textbooks and numerous journal articles in the field of Education. At present, he is very involved in helping colleagues in various third level institutions in Ireland and other countries prepare for the introduction of learning outcomes. He regularly speaks at conferences in Ireland and abroad and organises many workshops in the area of education.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

At the end of this workshop, participants should be able to:

- describe what is meant by the concept of learning outcomes.
- distinguish between aims, objectives and learning outcomes.
- apply Bloom's Taxonomy to write learning outcomes.
- identify the place of learning outcomes in an international context.
- link learning outcomes to teaching and learning activities and assessment.
- discuss the relationship between learning outcomes and competences.
- plan the introduction of learning outcomes into University Continuing Education.

PROGRAMME

Monday 22 September 2008

- 11.00 Registration and Get together (tea/coffee and sandwiches will be available)
- 12:00 – 12:30: Welcome and overview
- 12.30 – 13.30: *Presentation 1 Learning Outcomes - What are they all about?*
- 13.30 – 14.00: Question and answer session / Discussion
- 14.00 – 14.30: Tea/coffee
- 14.30 – 16.00: Workshop on Writing Learning Outcomes (participants break into small groups)
- 16.00 – 16.45: Plenary Session – Reports from small groups / Discussion
- 16.45 – 17.00: Conclusions
Refreshments

Tuesday 23 September 2008

- 9.00 – 10.00: *Presentation 2 Learning Outcomes at an international level*
- 10.00 – 10.30: Question and answer session / Discussion
- 10.30 – 11.00: Tea/coffee
- 11.00 – 12.00: *Presentation 3 How do I link Learning Outcomes to Teaching and Learning Activities and Assessment?*
- 12.00 – 12.30: Question and answer session / Discussion
- 12.30 – 13.30: Lunch
- 13.30 – 14.30: *Presentation 4 Learning Outcomes and Competences. How are they related?*
- 14.30 – 15.00: Question and answer session / Discussion
- 15.00 – 15.30: Tea/coffee
- 15.30 – 16.30: *Presentation 5 Introducing Learning Outcomes in University Continuing Education in your university. Looking to the future*
- 16.30 – 17.00: Open Forum – Conclusions and Recommendations

WORKSHOP FEE

EUR 250

Reduced fee for **AUCEN members**: EUR 120

The workshop fee includes: workshop pack, refreshments (morning and afternoon) as well as one buffet lunch (Tuesday 23 September 08).

INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION

If you are interested in taking part in the workshop, please contact Dr. Andrea Waxenegger preferably by phone 0316-380-1101 (or e-mail: andrea.waxenegger@uni-graz.at). She will inform you about registration details.

Accommodation: Please book your accommodation yourself after your registration has been accepted. Useful information can be found on <http://www.graztourismus.at>. The Center for Continuing Education will also help you find suitable accommodation.

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