Implementing Curriculum Reform in Scotland

Building skills for learning, life and work

Tuesday 20th May 2014
Venue: Central Edinburgh

Recent reforms to the Curriculum for Excellence (CfE) will see 54,000 Scottish young people in Scotland’s schools complete their studies for the new National qualifications in April this year.

With the curriculum and new qualifications placing greater emphasis on learning and skills, it has become imperative that Scottish schools develop their teaching and assessment strategies to effectively adapt to the changes.

By developing the curriculum, teachers and school leaders will be better placed to deliver coherent, flexible and enriched learning to young people, in line with the ever-evolving CfE.

Through guidance from experts, best practice and practical exercises, delegates on this Implementing Curriculum Reform in Scotland course will develop the tools they need to effectively implement curriculum reforms.

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- Implement strategies to more effectively assess learners’ progress and ensure quality
- Engage pupils and use cross-subject links to deliver interdisciplinary learning
- Design successful achievement pathways through effective learner engagement
- Develop an action plan to effectively implement curriculum reform in your school
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Programme

Chaired by: Frank Crawford

09.15 – 16.15

10.00 – 10.45
Recent Reforms to the Curriculum for Excellence
- What success with the new National qualifications will entail for learners and teachers
- The impetus for qualification reform and its role within the Curriculum for Excellence
- The expanding role of teachers under the new National qualifications
- Participate in a Q&A session

10.45 – 11.30
Teaching and Assessment for the New National Qualifications
As the first students prepare for the completion of their studies under the new qualifications, identify how to develop your teaching and assessment in line with the new qualifications.
- Recognise how to overcome the challenges of preparing students for recent curriculum reform
- Implement effective strategies for assessing learners’ progress
- Identify alternative approaches to improving assessment strategies
- Ensure quality in assessment and moderation of the new qualifications

11.30 – 11.45
Coffee

11.45 – 12.15
Improve Learning through Effective Self-Evaluation
Effective self-evaluation is the cornerstone of Curriculum for Excellence (CfE) and underpins the implementation of effective school improvement.
- Evaluate the quality of your curriculum through effective self-evaluation
- Utilise data to measure and monitor progress and improvement
- Recognise and encourage the involvement of students in effective self-evaluation
- How to use self-evaluation to identify strengths and areas for improvement in CfE

12.15 – 13.00
Design Effective Interdisciplinary Learning
With interdisciplinary learning forming a key element of successful curriculum delivery, it is crucial that schools effectively develop their provision.
- Use links across the school to enhance learning beyond subject boundaries
- Recognise areas to further develop knowledge and skills learning
- Identify how to better tailor learning to meet individual needs within your school
- The role of self-evaluation in developing effective interdisciplinary learning

13.00 – 14.00
Lunch

14.00 – 14.45
Develop Successful Achievement Pathways
Achievement Pathways build on the Broad General Education and enable teachers to raise attainment across the school and promote success and qualifications as learner’s progress through the levels.
- Best practice on how to develop learners’ knowledge and skills through achievement pathways
- Develop partnerships to deliver more effective learner pathways within and across schools
- Work alongside learners to engage them in the development of knowledge and skills for learning and work
- Identify how to develop effective improvement plans and achievement pathways for all learners

14.45 – 15.00
Coffee

15.00 – 16.00
Workshop: Building an Effective Curriculum
Drawing on the learning and best practice from the day, identify and develop the strategies to effectively adapt to recent reforms and teach and assess under Curriculum for Excellence.
- Develop strategies to enable you to more effectively implement Curriculum for Excellence
- How to use self-evaluation to identify strengths and areas for improvement for teachers and learners
- Use creative planning strategies to help build your curriculum
- Identify support available for school leaders in further developing the CfE