

Introduction to Community Engaged Parent Education: Learning to Be a Citizen Professional

(Registration #55676)
1 Credit

Instructor:
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Course Location:
48 Peik Hall
Minneapolis Campus

Course Schedule:
Sat 09/15/2007 9am-4:30pm
Sat 09/22/2007 9am-4:30pm



Beth Cutting received her M.A. at the University of MN in 1987. She has written several parent education curricula and has been a practicing parent educator for 30 years. She was a co-founder of the Community Engaged Parent Education program, which has received funding from the McKnight Foundation to mentor ECFE parent educators in the skills for developing parents' capacity for citizen deliberation and civic action related to children's well-being.

Course Description:

Students (practicing parent educators) will critically examine the philosophy of community engaged parent education and the concept of citizen professional. Parent educators will acquire and practice skills for developing parents' capacity for citizen deliberation on public issues related to children's well-being. Teaching strategies will be introduced which explore the complexities, diversity, and opposing viewpoints on parenting topics through inquiry, critique, and reflection. The course will include small group work, large group discussion, guest speakers, cooperative learning, and a website for state-wide connections around community engaged parenting issues.

Course Objectives:

Students will . . .

- Comprehend the philosophy and theories that form the foundations of community engaged parent education
- Apply teaching strategies and group facilitation techniques to include citizen conversations in parent education discussions
- Develop a plan for application of community engaged parent education teaching methods in the context of their own professional practice

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