The Interdisciplinary Centre for Sports Science and Development (ICESSD) will again offer its Postgraduate Diploma in Sport, Development and Peace as a block course in Cape Town, South Africa at the University of the Western Cape’s Interdisciplinary Centre for Sport Science and Development (ICESSD).

ICESSD is the only Research Centre in Africa focusing on Sport, Development and Peace offering this postgraduate qualification. It offers participants the opportunity to challenge and further develop their individual professional vision, to acquire more intimate knowledge about the use of sport and recreation as a tool for development and peace, ranging from Olympic education to sport and recreation management to institutional and leadership issues and to know networks and key decision makers and key personalities from various backgrounds.

Purpose

This Postgraduate Diploma programme offer students and professionals in the field of sport, recreation, development and peace building a unique opportunity to acquire an in-depth training while retaining their current position.

With a strong developmental and cross-cultural emphasis, the programme addresses most relevant issues in the field from a practice-orientated perspective and at the same time critically examines the potential role and use of sport and recreation as a local and global tool for youth and community development, conflict prevention, social transformation, and peace building. The Course offers practitioner oriented approaches and tools, such as in policy development, implementation (planning, programme and project management), as well as monitoring and evaluation. The Course also offers a research methodology component that is linked to the future aspirations of participants. The course aims at promoting an educational process, including Olympic education, to generate greater awareness and understanding of the complexities of using sport and recreation as a vehicle for such developmental efforts. The Course also supports and ethical and value-based and human-based rights approaches to the development management and governance of sport and recreation.

Admission Requirements

- BA/BSc Degree or equivalent (at the discretion of the University).
- All candidates should demonstrate a basic knowledge of the field of sport and recreation, development and transformation.
- Work or study experience in a community and multicultural context and/ or in a sport and recreation related environment is an added advantage.
The course targets representatives from government, academia and civil society as well as practising trainers, teachers, community and social workers and facilitators from diverse backgrounds. The course is designed for leaders, managers, sport and development practitioners, coaches, government departments, civil society, schools, the corporate sector, those working in research and evaluation, the field and other like-minded individuals who work in the field of sport, recreation and development and peace.

**Course Beginning and Format:** The course will run for the 2018 academic year as follows:

The course will be offered in the form of face to face contact time, self-study and interaction via e-learning.

Classes will be offered in 2 blocks of 3 weeks each:
Block 1: 5 March 2018 to 23 March 2018 (3 modules) and
Block 2: 13 August 2018 to 31 August 2018 (3 modules).

Class times will be 9.00 - 16.00 every day for both blocks.

**Modules and Credit Distribution:**

Credit Distribution: Core (60) credits and Electives (60) credits

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Exit level Outcomes:
The programme is aimed at developing the following competences:
  • A comprehensive and integrated knowledge of practises of sport, development and peace
  • A coherent and critical understanding of the principles, scope and theories of global and local trends in the field
  • Practical understanding and ability to practically apply and use policy, implementation and evaluation tools in practise, including policy assessment, planning, programme and project management as well as M&E, including indicator development
  • An understanding of research management and research methodology and the ability to develop a research proposal or research article and the ability to select appropriate research instruments to collect data from the field and to use this as research findings.
  • The ability to identify, analyse, synthesise and undertake independent evaluation of current Southern African, African and international issues and initiatives including projects around sport, development and peace, Olympic education and sport and recreation as a tool for social change.

Teaching and Class format:
This course will be taught with equal reference to theoretical content and practical applications drawn from local, national and international contexts and from participants own experiences. Class format will include modern-day teaching and learning methodologies, including interactive facilitation, the use of case studies, lectures, individual and group tasks, assignments, class discussions, information searches, self-study as well as group projects. The teaching method will be highly participatory and actual practitioners with practical experience are used to offer the course. Students will also be exposed to interaction via e-learning and experiential exercises which can form part of their own sport, development, conflict transformation and peace building tool box.

Moderation and Assessment
The programme and student performance will be subject to all university requirements and will be internally and externally moderated.

A Postgraduate Diploma of the University of the Western Cape will be issued to those participants who successfully meet the assessment criteria.

Please complete your online application for the Post Graduate Sport and Development Diploma. You may access it via the following link: http://student.uwc.ac.za/default.aspx?screen=APO10

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