

Children Learning with Nature Institute

July 14 - July 16, 2016

University of California, Santa Cruz

2016 Draft Program

Workshops for the Children Learning with Nature Training Institute focus on teaching methodologies and practices that place children at the center of learning. Filled with experiential activities, many of them outdoors, the workshops will allow you to participate, experience, and see through the eyes of children. Over and over again our participants have said this was the best conference they have ever attended!

Wednesday, July 13, 2016

3:30 am – 5:30 pm: Check-in begins at UCSC's College 8
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm: Dinner options in Santa Cruz

Dinner on campus is included for those staying on campus. We will also have sign-ups for those wanting to eat down in Santa Cruz

Unless noted otherwise:

Most morning experiential outdoor workshops will be held at the UCSC arboretum. There will be five to six workshop options during each session.

Afternoon sessions will be held at Porter College (A mix of indoor and outdoor sessions). There will be 3 - 4 workshop options during each session.

Thursday, July 14, 2016

7:30 – 9:30 am : Check-in begins at College 8
8:00 am – 8:45 am : Breakfast at College 8 (Included for those staying overnight on Wednesday).
We will have a continental breakfast outside for everyone else.
9:15 am - 10:00 am : Gathering & Welcome, Paul Roberts & Claire Warden
10:00 am - 10:30 am: Walk or take bus to Arboretum
10:30 am - Noon: Session 1, Experiential Workshop, Arboretum
Noon - 1:00 pm: Lunch at Arboretum
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm: Session 2, Experiential Workshop, Arboretum
2:30 pm - 3:00 pm Walk or take bus to Porter College,
3:00 pm - 3:30 pm Afternoon Break & Refreshments
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm : Keynote, Claire Warden, Porter Dining Hall
5:00 pm – 6:00 pm : Free Time
6:00 pm – 6:45 pm : Dinner, College 8
7:00 pm – 8:30 pm : Bookstore open, College 8 Dining Hall
7:00 pm – 8:30 pm : Dessert Reception, College 8 Dining Hall



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Friday, July 15, 2016

- 7:15 am – 8:00 am : Mindfulness Session, College 8
- 8:00 am – 8:45 am : Breakfast at College 8
- 9:15 am – 10:45 am : Session 5, Experiential Workshop, Arboretum
- 11:00 am – 12:30 pm : Session 6, Experiential Workshop, Arboretum
- 12:45 pm– 1:30 pm : Lunch
- 1:30 pm – 5:30 pm : Bookstore Open, Porter College
- 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm : Keynote, Porter College
- 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm : Session 7, Porter Workshops
- 6:15 pm – 7:00 pm : Dinner, College 8
- 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm : Bookstore Open, Porter College
- 7:15 pm – 8:30 pm : Sharing Presentations from Attendees, Porter College

Saturday, July 16, 2016

- 7:00 am – 8:00 am : Mindfulness Session, College 8
- 8:00 am – 8:45 am : Breakfast, College 8
- 9:15 am – 10:45 am : Session 8, Experiential Workshop, Arboretum
- 11:00 am – 12:30 pm : Session 9, Experiential Workshop, Arboretum
- 12:45 pm– 1:30 pm : Lunch
- 1:30 pm – 5:30 pm : Bookstore open, Porter College
- 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm : Session 10, Porter Workshops
- 3:15 pm – 5:45 pm : Keynote & Closing,
- 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm : BBQ Dinner, Porter College (Optional Event)

Sunday, July 17, 2016

Optional Consulting with Children Workshop

This workshop is open to anyone. Attendance at CLN is not required

- 8:15 am – 9:00 am : Registration & Check-In
- 9:00 am to 10:30 am : Understanding the Human Brain in the Learning Process
- 10:45 am to 12:15 pm : Inclusive Practices for Programming
- 1:15 pm to 2:45 pm : Creating Links in Learning Inside, Outside & Beyond
- 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm : Self Evaluation and Assessment with Children



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Evening of Sharing, Friday, July 15, 2016

On Friday we will have a special evening of sharing in the Multipurpose Room. We are inviting registrants to provide and present short PowerPoints 8-10 minutes each with from 12-20 slides about their schools, centers, innovations and great activities. It's a great way to let others in on the remarkable things that you are doing with your children. To present, email with your proposal, no later than May 15, 2016. After approval you will be required to bring your presentations on a USB drive to submit during registration. We have a limited amount of time and will only be able to have 7-10 presenters. We will let you know by June 15, 2016 who will be presenting. This session was one of the highlights of last year's training institute and is sure to be an informative and impacting time of collaboration with your colleagues.

Campus BBQ Dinner: Saturday, July 16, 2016

\$30/person

This will be a wonderful & relaxing wrap-up to the institute and will be an excellent final networking opportunity for you and your peers. The Dinner includes tasty BBQ with all the fixing (including vegetarian options), soft drinks, wine & beer.

Consulting with Children Workshop: Sunday, July 17, 2016

\$145 single or \$135 group

About the Workshop:

This inspirational training course examines the place of consultation in the early years and primary sector and how it can impact upon the planning process and educationalists' practice. It is designed to look at the way we involve our children from the age of 0 to 12 years in planning their learning linked to the curriculum. The course will include the motivational strategies developed by Claire Warden, International Educational Consultant, to promote effective communication and the recording through Talking and Thinking Floorbooks™, Talking Tubs™ and 3-dimensional Mind-Mapping which are being acknowledged by users around the globe are incredibly effective recording and evidencing tools for young children's learning and experiences.

Aims

- To encourage children to participate in the planning process, share knowledge and communicate their ideas with due consideration to the implications of brain-based learning and emotional intelligence.
- To discuss the adult role in the consultation process through exploring the practical methodologies for recording children's ideas and voices.

Learning outcomes/objectives:

You will be able to:

- Identify action points to increase the participation of children in planning
- Introduce a range of consultation techniques which promote the use of children's ideas in developing a planning framework linked to the curriculum

