



Thematic Seminar

Guidance and Counselling for the Gifted

Course Code	Date and Time	Target Group
SR/AE/011516	16 January 2016 (Saturday) 09:30 am– 12:30 pm (3 hours)	Teachers, guidance teachers, social workers, educational psychologists in primary and secondary schools
Medium of Instruction	Cantonese (with bilingual materials)	

Venue : Room 303, The Hong Kong Academy for Gifted Education
Sha Kok Estate, Shatin, New Territories, Hong Kong.

Speaker : **Dr Eva Sum**
Doctor of Education, University of Bristol
Registered Educational Psychologist

Course Description : An exceptional approach is needed to counsel the gifted. First, it is crucial to make a precise distinction of the aetiology of the student's problem. Counsellors should have strong theoretical knowledge of the characteristics of giftedness and creativity in devising counselling approaches. It is also common that gifted students demonstrate deviant behaviours or may even have inborn deficits such as Autism, Attention Deficit or learning difficulties. Thus it is necessary to enhance their self-understanding and equip them with strategies to overcome their difficulties and / or deficits in order to bring out the gift.

Course Objectives : Upon completion of this workshop, participants will be able to:

1. Understand the characteristics of the gifted
2. Learn creative counselling approaches
3. Build strategies to overcome deviant behaviours or other inborn deficits

Course Outline : The contents of the workshop will include:

1. Unique counselling approaches for gifted clients
2. Delinquency / mental health and twice-exceptionality of the gifted population

Certificate/ CPD Hours : Certificate of Participation and 3 CPD hours will be awarded to all participants after completion of the workshop.

Course Fee : Free of Charge (funded by the Hong Kong Academy for Gifted Education)



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Registration Information

: Please apply online from the website of The Hong Kong Academy for Gifted Education at <https://hkage.org.hk/en/teacher/Registration/course/courseApp.php?courseID=SRAE011516>

Each registrant is required to obtain approval from his/her principal or supervisor of the school/organisation to attend this course by submitting a signed “**Nomination Form**” to the HKAGE through fax or email in order to complete the registration process.

The “Nomination Form” will pop-up after the registrant has submitted the online registration form. The same form will also be sent to the registrant via email as a reminder.

Deadline for Registration

: **16 December, 2015 (Wednesday) 5:00p.m.**

Note: Acceptance is on a first-come-first-served basis.

Registrants will be notified of the outcome by 18 December, 2015 (Friday) through email. If school nominees do not receive our notification, please contact us at 3940 0104.

Contact Person

: Mr. Wong Tel: 3940 0104 or Email: ae@hkage.org.hk

Remarks

- : 1. ALL online applications should be nominated and approved by the school authority. Prior application is required and walk-ins will NOT be entertained.
2. Applicants should check the enrolment results via their email accounts registered with The Hong Kong Academy for Gifted Education.
3. This thematic learning event is designed primarily for frontline school practitioners and their cost is met from the public purse, we have decided that enrolment priority will be given to in-service principals, teachers and professional personnel (social workers and educational psychologists) in registered schools. However, we also welcome applications from pre-service teachers, educational psychologist trainees and social worker trainees when seats are available. Tertiary institution faculty, full-time undergraduates and postgraduates, as well as gifted education programme designers, coordinators, administrators of non-profit making organizations are also welcome to apply as a limited number of places will be reserved. However, personnel from non-registered schools and profit-making organisations are not eligible to join our programmes.
4. The course organiser reserves the right to reject applications with incomplete information.
5. The course organiser (the HKAGE) will take photos and videos during the programme. The photos and/or videos may be reproduced in electronic forms and/or printed publications for educational, research and marketing purposes upon the participants’ consensus in registration.
6. Car park arrangement: No parking spaces are available. Please park at nearby car parks.



Biography of speaker

Dr Eva Sum

Registered Educational Psychologist

Mrs. Eva Sum is an experienced Educational Psychologist with extensive experience working with schools, especially on helping teachers and parents understand the characteristics and needs of gifted students.

Eva had been working as an Educational Psychologist at the Education Bureau for 15 years. She headed the working team at the Education Psychology Service Section and helped twice exceptional students. She had also worked as a Teaching Consultant training Educational Psychology trainees in the Psychology Department at the University of Hong Kong from 2006-2010. She is now the Director of a psycho-educational service centre which provides assessment, consultation and supportive services to help children realise their potentials and overcome any learning or emotional / behavioral difficulties.

Eva has delivered talks, conducted workshops and provided consultation services for teachers and parents to help them understand the social and emotional needs of gifted students and how teachers can employ effective strategies in the classroom to enhance students' motivation and stretch their innate potentials. Eva has been invited by the Education Bureau and our Academy for several years to deliver professional development programmes on giftedness and related issues.