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2019 EDUCATOR PROGRAMS

Provoking thought to inspire positive change

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Professional Development Programs

Equity is essential for improving student achievement and promoting student and staff well-being.

unlearn's Professional Development Workshops empower educators to develop and implement Culturally Responsive and Relevant Pedagogy (CRRP) by applying an equity lens to important social justice and human rights issues. Our workshops help participants to explore their unconscious biases and examine how they can be reinforced by the media, their experiences and their relationships.

unlearn programs are designed to help schools meet the objectives of Ontario's Equity and Inclusive Education Strategy.

Workshop Focus Areas:

- Unconscious Bias, Stereotypes and Discrimination
- Fostering an Inclusive School Culture
- Power & Privilege: Equity, Inclusion & Diversity
- Intercultural Competence & Inclusive Communication
- 2SLGBTQ+ Awareness: Gender and Sexual Identities
- Indigenous Voices & Reconciliation: Tradition, History and Culture
- Wealth Inequality: Poverty, Health and Wellness
- Our Environment: Climate Change and Sustainability

Pricing:

1-1.5 hours: \$1,200 + HST

Half Day: \$2,000 +HST

Full Day: \$3,500 + HST

* Plus travel

* Up to 50 participants per PD session



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The unlearn Workshop is built on the following framework:

Activate: Experiential Learning Activities - Engage participants through an exploration into their own preconceived biases.

In the front matter of our workshops, we unpack a wide variety of topics using experiential learning activities and media (video, music, art/ design, technology, articles, etc) to create the environment for learning.

Engage: Gallery Walk - We use design to create a dialogue around human rights, social justice, and equity issues.

Our goal is to challenge educators to think critically about their unconscious biases and examine how they can be reinforced by the media, their experiences and their relationships. The Gallery Walk sparks inquiry, increases engagement and raises critical thinking among educators.

Discuss: Facilitation & Dialogue - Share ideas without being "wrong".

In unpacking the educator's reflections, we equip them to develop Culturally Responsive and Relevant Pedagogy (CRRP) skills to ensure that their classrooms reflect the needs and realities of their students.

Outcomes:

- Strengthen Culturally Responsive and Relevant Pedagogy (CRRP).
- Implement teaching practices that reflect the needs of all students.
- Identify and eliminate discriminatory practices.
- Empower educators to facilitate equity, diversity and inclusion discussions.
- Provide insight into our unconscious biases.
- Grow positive safe school cultures.
- Encourage inquiry-based learning connected to real-world settings.

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Unlearn provides **EVERY ONE** an entry point wherever they are in discovering their own bias, their own prejudice, and creating a school community focused on equity and human rights.

- Merrill Mathews, Former Principal, Irma Coulson Public School, HDSB
- Current Regional Education Officer - Education Equity Secretariat

CRITICAL THINKING BY DESIGN

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