

Certificate Course in Sustainability and Education Leadership

EcoSource and York University's Faculty of Education is offering a professional development certificate course in *Sustainability and Education Leadership: rekindling ecological commitments, sharing passions and forging new alliances*.

The program certificate is open to all educators, teachers, ENGO members, educational and social activists and students and focuses on ESD and EE education, schooling, curriculum and program development. It is structured around the illumination of new Ministry of Education documents and policies and asks "What are next steps in EE and ESD in Ontario and further afield?"

Course themes will include

- Exploring and creating possibilities within critical awarenesses of schooling, education and sustainable development
- Leading, managing and influencing sustainable social change
- Renewing and rejuvenating connections to the environment
- New policies and practices in Ontario
- Shaping new approaches to education as activism

The facilitators of the course will be Soni Craik, Co-Director of the certificate course Whole School Approaches to ESD and Steve Alsop, professor of education at York University and coordinator of the graduate diploma in environmental sustainability. Soni and Steve will be joined by colleagues from prominent NGO's, academics, school boards and international guest lecturers. The seminar also features appearances from local eco-poets, guerilla gardeners, street artists and activists.

The course will be feral and placed-based, connecting with the energies and expertise of social and ecological groups in the greater Toronto area in a variety of different locations.

The culmination project of this course will be a collaborative policy document on curriculum indicators of sustainable citizenship for K-12 students that will be submitted to the National Sustainability and Education Policy Network.

Come get inspired by stories of challenge and success, grassroots movements and accompanying governmental policies and a community committed to change.

The certificate is recognized by York University through the Faculty of Education and EcoSource.

Registration

For more information or to register for the certificate program please contact:

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Dates: July 18th – 22nd, 2011

Location: Various sites in the GTA

Fee: \$250 (tax included)

