

Title
The 4Cs: Creativity, Critical Thinking, Communication and Collaboration in Schools
Course Location
<p>Florence Dublin Split Nice</p> <p>Other locations available upon request. Write to teachertraining@europass.it for other locations.</p>
Course Code
SI.1.FC
Language(s) of training
English
Course Description
<p>This course has been created for teachers who would like to take a step forward in their teaching practice in order to reach each and every one of their students, and to ensure the success of the learning process through creativity, critical thinking, communication and collaboration.</p> <p>Long heralded as key competences for 21st century learners, the 'Four Cs' (creativity, critical thinking, communication and collaboration) are often embraced in theory yet stump educators in practice. Creativity and Critical Thinking represent inseparable attitudes and abilities for innovation, which, contrary to popular belief, CAN be learned, taught and implemented in any classroom. Communication and Collaboration are fundamental life skills that students can draw from their everyday experiences at school and which shape their ability to live, connect with others and work well in their future. The 'Four Cs' strengthen our learners' ability to find their place – professionally, personally, and socially – in today's fast changing world, while fostering other life-enhancing Cs: curiosity, confidence, caring and cooperation.</p> <p>This course aims to provide teachers with the knowledge, know-how and confidence to incorporate these stimulating skills into their curriculum and school environment. In a true learn-by-doing environment, course participants will gain greater knowledge about what these competences entail and not only how</p>

to teach them, but first and foremost how to tap into their own ability to create, think critically, communicate effectively and collaborate well with others.

Learning Outcomes

The learning outcomes are:

To gain a clear understanding of the creative process and experience it first-hand

To think critically and get the most out of today's information overload

To experience more effective communication abilities and techniques

To broaden collaborative opportunities in the classroom and encourage it in all aspects of the school community

To live a true international team building experience

Target Audience

Teachers (Pre-school, primary, secondary, vocational, adult, special needs);

Teacher trainers; Careers officers, educational guides and counselors;

Headteachers/principals/managers of schools/organizations offering adult education.

Duration of Training

1 week; 30 hours

Proposed course program (day by day*)

* The detailed course content will be agreed upon before each session according to the needs and requests of the participants.

MONDAY

Introductions, Lesson and discussion about 21st century learners, the current situation in Europe. The 4 Cs in curriculum. Group discussion and activities.

TUESDAY

Lesson and discussion regarding kinds of communication used at school, verbal, written, non-verbal, digital, artistic, musical. How to create promote channels of communication and listening through collaborative work and social and emotional intelligence-building activities.

WEDNESDAY

Lesson and activities about creativity, what it means, why it is important, how to encourage it. Critical thinking as fundamental to the second step of the creative process.

THURSDAY

Lesson about strategies and examples of successful implementation. How to incorporate the 4 Cs into curriculum in a meaningful way. Practical activities.

FRIDAY

Simulations of good communication, group activities to generate new ideas about collaboration, creativity and critical thinking. Pitfalls to avoid when implementing the 4 Cs. Round up of week's activities and conclusions.

SATURDAY

Round up of acquired competences, discussion, conclusion, course evaluation and certificate. Cultural activity.

Maximum number of participants

12

Free time activities offered

All our courses include:
 - Guided Tours of the city
 - 1 Excursion (usually on Saturday);

Dates 2019

Please check the webpage [here](#)

Type of certification awarded

- Certificate of attendance including description of training content and time input.
 - Europass Mobility Certificate

Price

Course + Free time activities: € 480,00

Grants

The participants can apply for the Erasmus+ grant to cover course fees, travel and accommodation costs.

Enrolment and payment

Please fill out and send the enrolment form to the school from our [website](#). An enrolment confirmation from the school will be sent to you with information about the payment.

