



MALTA UNIVERSITY CONSULTING

## INCLUSIVE EDUCATION

September/October 2012

**Sept: 5; 12; 19; 26      Oct: 3; 10; 24** (please note that all lectures take place on a Wednesday)

Although we will do our utmost not to change these scheduled dates once course has started, kindly note these are subject to change

**Time:** 17.30 - 19.30

**Venue:** The University Residence, Robert Mifsud Bonnici Street, Lija (Parking space available)

### Aim and contents of the course

The aim of this course is to introduce contentious issues in inclusive education, which will generate debate and propose argumentation that will contribute towards an educational system that reaches out to all. It is intended that this course introduces us to basic concepts in inclusive education and disability issues. Part of the course will also include knowledge on developing basic techniques and strategies.

Understanding inclusion and Understanding diverse educational needs

Principles of effective inclusion

The impact of inclusion

School communities

Techniques in improving inclusion

Universal design

Creating an environment that fosters inclusion

#### **The training objectives of this course are:**

Helping, training and supporting disabled students to learn to speak up for themselves

Promoting a school environment for all

Understanding the local and international inclusive education scene

Reflecting on the diverse educational needs of learners

### Target Audience:

Learning Support Assistants (Facilitators); teachers, senior management team, student teachers; LSA trainees and the general public

### Course co-ordinator and lecturer

Dr Andrew Azzopardi is a Senior Lecturer at the *University of Malta*. His lecturing & research focus on inclusive education, sociology, critical pedagogy, disability politics, youth & community studies. He has published extensively in the field of disability studies and inclusive education. He is a Member of the Editorial Panel of the highly acclaimed *International Journal of Inclusive Education* and has edited a special edition called *Creating Inclusive Communities*. He has contributed extensively in a number of other applauded journals. He has published three texts so far, *Career Guidance for Persons with Disability (2008) (JP Advertising)*, *Reading Stories of Inclusion – Engaging with different perspectives towards an agenda for inclusion (2009)* and *Understanding disability politics in Malta (2009) (VDM Verlag Dr. Müller)*. He has published the following texts; Co-Editor of *Inclusive Communities: A critical reader (Sense Publishers)*, and Editor of *Roots to Inclusive Education* amongst others.

### Certificate

Participants who attend at least 80% of the sessions will be awarded a Certificate of Attendance issued by Malta University Consulting Ltd.

### Course registration fee, registration and contact information

**€uro 150.00** - Cheques are to be made payable to Malta University Consulting Ltd

Registration Deadline: Friday 31 August 2012

For further information kindly contact: Malta University Consulting Ltd, Robert Mifsud Bonnici Street, Lija.

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