

The Institute for Education gives Educators the Opportunity to Learn from the Renowned Expertise of the Finnish Education System

As students prepare for another scholastic year, we must acknowledge the importance that our educators play in the growth of our children through their practices and the passion that they have shown in adapting their teaching methods within the classroom and online. Such characteristics of professionalism and resilience are key to developing students with a growth mindset, the ability to question and think critically of the phenomena that they experience in their lives and collaborate with others to find explanations and solutions.

In recognition of this, the Institute for Education is bringing educators the opportunity to benefit from the expertise of the Finnish Education system through courses designed and awarded by the University of Helsinki. H.E. Dr Kenneth Vella, Ambassador of the Republic of Malta to the Republic of Estonia and Finland enabled the signing of a Memorandum of understanding between the two institutions leading to the opportunity of offering Finnish accredited courses to Maltese educators.

This academic year will allow educators to enrol in fully online, self-paced modules delivered by University of Helsinki academics. These modules focus on how Educational Psychology can be used both within the classroom and outside, and on how to provide phenomenon-based learning opportunities within the classroom. Courses on offer include:

Psychology of Development and Learning (MQF 6, 5 ECTS)

Broad-based Competencies and Phenomenon-based Projects (MQF 6, 5 ECTS)

Educational Psychology as an Engine for Change (MQF 7, 5 ECTS)

Since opening its doors in 2016, the Institute for Education has actively grown as a higher educational institute fostering a network of learning among all those who contribute to and support the child's education. Acknowledging the need for educators, parents, guardians and other stakeholders to have access to supportive learning opportunities that are flexible and accessible, the Institute offers courses that adopt a fully online or blended approach to teaching and learning.

Additional information on courses offered may be found on the Institute for Education's website:

<https://instituteforeducation.gov.mt/en/Pages/Courses/Partner%20Institutions/Modules-from-Partner-Institutions.aspx>

or its online platform:

https://ife.portal.gov.mt/programme/apply?keywords=UH&sort_order=1&fbclid=IwAR2Raa5sNx65HTyPo1nA1Hq2WWHl1Hkwd7ZrDJRXCZ2f3T7GFScAGSs39kQ