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AUTISM TEACHING and RESEARCH WORKSHOP SERIES

Transitions, Inclusive education, and the Autism Spectrum:

**How to help children on the autism
spectrum get a good start in the new year**

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION | FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

PROGRAM: Saturday, 25th November, 2017 | 9.00 – 4.00 pm

In this workshop, we will explore the current information on successful transitions and inclusive education for individuals on the autism spectrum. Participants will gain an understanding the features of effective school programs as well as the ways that teachers and parents can work together to support students on the autism spectrum as they navigate transitions across their school career. Participants will learn strategies they can use to help between home and school environments, different school years and settings, and between activities and classes within the school day.



TRANSITIONS, INCLUSIVE EDUCATION, AND THE AUTISM SPECTRUM

Specific Topics/Strategies will include:

- Key characteristics of inclusive schools
- Strategies for supporting students on the autism spectrum in inclusive environments
- Conducting transition assessments
- Creating effective transition plans
- Key strategies and resources to support transitions

ENQUIRIES

For further information please contact the University of Wollongong via uow-professional-learning@uow.edu.au or contact Dr. Amanda Webster on awebster@uow.edu.au or 02 4221 3268.

SPEAKERS: MS. BERNADETTE BEASLEY - AUTISM EDUCATORS AUSTRALIA

Bernadette has worked in supporting parents as they navigate the various services and education systems for their children on the autism spectrum. This mission has been driven from her own families' journey with Asperger's over more than 4 decades. Over the past 5 years, since the diagnosis of her own son with ASD, Bernadette has dedicated herself to gaining greater self-knowledge, challenging the status quo and assisting families to improve their own knowledge and understanding of ASD. Bernadette's recent work has been focused on working with families and schools in understanding how the students' individual ASD profile should be understood and used as a way of supporting the student to achieve their best in the educational environment. She is a published author in Australian VET journals, Autism support group newsletters and has presented at a range of conferences. As a teaching professional Bernadette has received many accolades for engaging and inspiring young minds to achieve greatness including most recently the 2015 Aspect Autism National Award in the "Above and Beyond" Individual category.

DR. AMANDA WEBSTER

Dr Webster has worked for over 28 years with individuals on the autism spectrum and their families in school, home and community settings as a teacher, school leader and certified behaviour analyst. Dr. Webster is currently the Coordinator for the Autism postgraduate programs at UOW. She is a researcher on the Australian Cooperative Research Centre for Autism and has recently authored a book on empowering parents of children on the autism spectrum. She is passionate about supporting the self-determination and self-efficacy of individuals on the autism spectrum through teaching and learning.

REGISTRATION

Register online at:

<https://uow.onestopsecure.com/OneStopWeb/AutismTeachingandResearchWorkshopSeries/createbooking>

- Registrations Open: 23rd October 2017
- Registrations Close: 24th November 2017

COST

- Professional \$150.00
- Parents/Concessions \$100.00
- UOW Student \$25.00

DELIVERY DATES: 25TH NOVEMBER 2017

**LOCATION: UOW CAMPUS WOLLONGONG
BUILDING 20.4**



WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Parents, professionals and educators who work with individuals on the autism spectrum

ACCREDITATION

6 QTC Accredited Hours
at Highly Accomplished
Level



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