

Course Information

Title	Civic Engagement for Teachers
N. of Participants	8-20
Course Length	One Week (6 day, Monday – Saturday)
Language	English
Location	Trikala
Cultural Activities	The course includes one day Cultural activity, City Guided Tour and Excursion to Meteora (a unique geological phenomenon included on UNESCO's World Heritage List)
Type of certification awarded	A course certificate of attendance will be given to all participants. A Europass Mobility Certificate will be given if the participants demand.
Price	480* *Completely funded by the Erasmus+ KA1 funds It includes: Preparation for the course Training materials Administration costs Cultural activities costs
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Lessons	Classes take place in the Morning (9:00 – 14:00) or in the Afternoon (14:00 – 19:00).
Audience	Teachers (primary, secondary, vocational, adult, special needs); Teacher trainers;

	Managers of schools.
Course Date	4 – 9 July 2022
Preparation	A pre-course questionnaire to indicate the level of experience, teaching backgrounds and training will be completed by participants.
Description	<p>In today's world, democracy is being challenged while in some countries there is a growing trend towards authoritarianism. Given the nowadays low levels of civic engagement and democratic participation it is crucial for teachers to foster active citizenship, one of the top skills for the 21st century. Taking part in this training course you will learn how to plan and implement civic engagement initiatives.</p> <p>Civic Engagement for Education offers teachers and education staff, theoretical material, a set of tools and applications that can be implemented promoting communication, collaboration, critical thinking creativity and feedback in a simple, instant and effective way in the framework of the learning objectives that one has set for his students.</p> <p>Civic Engagement for Education is suitable for and adjustable to any level of education, including kindergarten, elementary, secondary, high school, college and university. Taking part in this training course you will gain an outlook on the activities and e-tools to empower and support active citizenship. Through hands-on approach and learning-by-doing methodology the participants will develop concrete organizational and ICT skills related to active citizenship, discuss and</p>

	<p>exchange best practices in their past or current usage and reflect together how to use them to boost participation of future citizens.</p>
<p>Learning Outcomes</p>	<p>After the course you will be able to do the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> approach active citizenship in three different levels (local – national –European) initiate your students in digital democracy with the use of information and communication technology (ICT) Contribute to foster digital citizenship and 21st century skills and competences; Create and manage a simulation platform for public consultation Organize extracurricular activities, Build communication, communicate with your classroom community online and save time Create a website for your activities Organize activities regarding voluntary action, environmental awareness, consumer consciousness, raise funding for charity Measure participation and involvement of students Exchange best practices and share experiences with participants and staff coming throughout Europe Exchange experiences and knowledge with people from different countries.
<p>Methodology</p>	<p>Collaboratively working methods that foster mutual learning and cooperation among participants.</p> <p>Experiential training, group and peer activities, learning-by-doing and best practices' exchange.</p> <p>Visits to local schools and institutions allowing the</p>

	<p>participants to better understand the local education system as well as exchange ideas and contacts in civic engagement.</p> <p>Brief daily evaluations are foreseen to ensure quality of education and to adapt the learning programme to participants' needs better tailoring the education.</p>
<p>Day 1 Course introduction</p>	<p>Introductory meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Practical arrangements – timetable - Needs and expectations evaluation - Theoretical part. The roots of democracy. Active citizenship in ancient and contemporary world.-An educational approach - Introduction to Civic engagement for Education
<p>Day 2 Community activities</p>	<p>Introduction to organizing community activities on-line and physically</p> <p>Group work: Things you can do to boost civic engagement in the following themes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Understanding common origins and values - No responsibilities but only rights” - The importance of understanding and respect of differences - Environmental awareness - A consumer consciousness - Voluntary action - Respect the rights of children and people with disabilities
<p>Day 3 Get ready to participate in public consultations</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - How technology can benefit civic engagement - Get Familiar with contemporary digital tools - Participating in European and national public consultations

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - How you can help your students behave responsibly online - Create and manage a simulation platform for public consultation - Group work: create, share and simultaneously edit a simulation platform
<p>Day 4 Organize your material using digital tools</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Group work: adding materials to your platforms and organizing them - Practical work –Participants in the training will exchange their experiences in the information and awareness raising campaigns on European topics. - “Study” best practice. - Group Project on creating digital material promoting your activities - Use the social media for raise funding etc.
<p>Day 5 Measure participation of students</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Using Google Forms to create and share surveys and evaluation quizzes - Build better class communication with Google Groups and Google Chat - Group work: create and send a survey and a quiz with Google Form - Drag feedback for participation from charts - Schedule meetings and appointments with Google Calendar to organize your online work
<p>Day 6 Review & course closure</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Course roundup and final evaluation - Validation of learning outcomes and certification ceremony (questionnaires). - Space for discussion and networking - Cultural activities, guided visit to Meteora

Follow-up

Trainees will have access to the lesson materials via Saplle's E-learning Platform.

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