International Perspectives in Participatory Research and Evaluation

This new course is the result of an exciting collaboration between the Society for Participatory Research in Asia (PRIA) located in India and the University of Victoria, located in British Columbia, Canada. The course was conceived to share insights developed from both the Non-Governmental Organisation (NGO) world and the University world, and was designed by practitioners from both India and Canada. It is our hope that it will be useful to adult educators, community development workers, activists, and NGO staff in any part of the world.

*International Perspectives in Participatory Research* is an introduction to the practice and theory of community-based participatory research (PR) and evaluation (PE) from global perspectives. The emphasis is on the role of participatory research and evaluation in adult learning, community action, and community transformation. Examples will be drawn from international case studies. Issues of partnership, degrees of participation, and guidelines for practice will be featured, along with artistic ways of creating and representing knowledge in a community-based context.

*International Perspectives in Participatory Research* is offered by the University of Victoria’s Certificate in Adult and Continuing Education (CACE) program, and is open to non-CACE students.

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**Course Instructor**
Catherine Etmanski, Ph.D. candidate at University of Victoria. Virtual guests will include Dr. Tandon (PRIA), Dr. Hall (UVic), and others from both institutions.

**Course Delivery**
Print materials (CACE manual and textbook) are enhanced with Web conferencing (requires access to the Internet) for course structure, additional resources, and facilitated discussion.

**Learning Outcomes**
Upon completion of the course, participants will be able to:
- Understand the history and purpose of PR and PE and know examples from around the world
- Understand the value as well as the limitations and critiques of PR and PE
- Have a plan to initiate a PR or PE project in your community

**Course Details**
Registration Deadline: Friday, Sept. 2, 2005
Dates: Thursday, September 29 to Friday, December 16, 2005
Fee: $390 Cdn, plus course materials
Course Code: EDCA510 2005F1 D01
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Offered subject to minimum enrollment.

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