

eVALBEC September 2011

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Committee News

1. Final stages of planning for the ACAL conference

The committee is busy working on the final stages of planning for the ACAL conference in September. We are delighted with the program and registrations continue to come in at a steady rate. As an alternative to the traditional conference dinner, we are planning to showcase some of Melbourne's fabulous range of eating experiences. Conference participants will choose from four different restaurants offering Italian, Vietnamese, Greek and Chinese cuisine with committee member as tour guide and host. It will be a night to remember!

2. A Fuller Sense of Self - Book Launch

Thursday 8 September – International Literacy Day
4.30 – 6.30 pm at Glenroy Neighbourhood Learning Centre, 5B Cromwell Street Glenroy 3046
[More details](#)
RSVP : info@valbec.org.au by Friday 2 September

Professional Development

3. ACAL Conference - Literacy on the Map: Common Visions, Different Paths

Registrations are flowing in with strong interest from all states and New Zealand. Full program and session details are at www.valbec.org.au/2011conf/. Make sure you select your sessions. Conference Tue 27 to Wed 28 Sept 2011, Pre-conference forum Mon 26 Sept 2011) at Victoria University City Flinders Campus. There'll also be a [LLN Community Educator Network Café](#) in conjunction with ALA.

4. Masterclass and information session Monash Bachelor of Adult Learning and Development

This masterclass will map emerging technologies and consider their implications for learning, the adult learner, the teacher and the adult education workforce. Dr Henderson will investigate various technologies in adult education and the impact they have on the way that education and training is understood and delivered. This session will provide you with an opportunity to hear from a leading academic in the area of educational technologies as well as a chance to find out more about the Monash Bachelor of Adult Learning and Development
6pm Wednesday 7th September 2011, Monash Conference Centre, Level 7, 30 Collins street Melbourne.
RSVP: www.edu.monash.edu/bald or (03) 9905 0014

5. Re-thinking Literacy in a Climate Changing World

A VU College Friday Seminar with **Dr Robbie Guevara**, President of the Asia-South Pacific Association for Basic and Adult Education (ASPBAE) and the Vice-President (Asia Pacific) of the International Council of Adult Education (ICAE). Friday October 14th Time: 2.30pm at T226, Footscray Nicholson Campus, Victoria University
Bookings: Natalie.Meagher@vu.edu.au

Fine Print

6. Next edition

The next edition of Fine Print is about to be posted to members. Watch your mail box.

Other information

7. NEW ACFE web address

ACFE has a new web address now that it is part of Skills Victoria.
www.skills.vic.gov.au/learnlocal-acfe/about-acfe

8. Learn Local Advertising Campaign

ACFE is implementing a state-wide Learn Local advertising campaign to increase the awareness of the Learn Local network and boost participation in the sector. Key messaging will encompass our overarching theme: 'Learn Local: Take your next step with us' and will focus on youth, parents returning to work and the CALD community. The campaign will run from 28 August to 19 November and will include a range of media channels.

9. Weeks ahead

National Literacy and Numeracy Week 29 August – 4 September

Adult Learners' Week 1- 8 September

Indigenous Literacy Day 7 September

Everyone is invited to participate in the fifth Indigenous Literacy Day (ILD), Wednesday 7 September 2011.

Indigenous Literacy Day aims to help raise funds to raise literacy levels and improve the lives and opportunities of Indigenous Australians living in remote and isolated regions.

10. CGEA Numeracy Review 2011

In 2011 the Numeracy component of the Certificates in General Education for Adults (CGEA) are being reviewed and updated. Three public consultations about the proposed changes to the numeracy units are being held. For further information about the review including receiving copies of the current draft units prior to the meetings contact Dave Tout at ACER on tout@acer.edu.au To book your place at a consultation please RSVP prior to the event to Taryn Tran at VU on 03 9919 5440 or taryn.tran@vu.edu.au

Consultation 1: 1.30pm -3.30pm on Wednesday 7th September, VU City Flinders campus, 300 Flinders St, Melbourne: Room C906

Consultation 2: 1.30pm -3.30pm on Friday 9th September, BRACE Education Training & Employment Limited, 602 Urquhart Street, Ballarat: Room No: 103 - ITC Building

Consultation 3: 1.30pm -3.30pm on Thursday 15th September, ACFE Regional Office, Corner of Kirk and Haigh Streets, Moe (The meeting room is on the 1st floor)

Employment opportunities

11. Curriculum Staff urgently needed

Curriculum Staff urgently needed (August-December) 2 days a week at the Defence Force School of Languages, Laverton. The Curriculum Staff will:

- Advise and assist Language Staff develop Learner Guides, Trainer Guides, Delivery/Assessment Schedules
- Review materials
- Ensure materials meet learning outcomes and CBT requirements.

Enquiries: Mary Gurgone: 0413 619 748; gurgone@iinet.net.au

12. Consultant/instructional designer required

Precision Consultancy seeks to employ an experienced **consultant/instructional designer** to work on a range of vocational education and training projects, many of which relate to developing learners' LLN skills. A knowledge of the ACSF would be an advantage. Full time or part time position, based in central Melbourne office. Email info@precisionconsultancy.com.au for a job description.

ACFE, ACE, RTO and TAFE managers can post adult literacy, language and numeracy practitioner job ads in eVALBEC. Send your request (50 words limit) to info@valbec.org.au by the 26th of the month.

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