

A full day seminar exploring

Gifted and Talented Students: Issues in Cognitive and Socio-Affective Development

Monday 19th January, 2009

9:00a.m – 3:00p.m

The University of New South Wales

LED BY

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The seminar will take place at the Kensington Campus of UNSW, Sydney

Cost: \$250

The Gifted Education Research, Resource and Information Centre (GERRIC) at The University of New South Wales offers school counselors and psychologists a unique opportunity to work with a leading international scholar with special expertise in counseling and guiding academically gifted children and adolescents.



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This interactive workshop, designed for school counsellors and psychologists with an interest in gifted and talented students, will explore a range of issues in the education and psychology of academically gifted students with a specific focus on cognitive and social-affective topics.

We will discuss social-emotional issues as they relate to gifted students and counselors who work with them by exploring psychological theories of social-emotional development and peer relationships as they apply specifically to gifted students. We will review the implications of underachievement within the context of gifted students' cognitive, affective, and behavioural profiles. Counselors will understand the role of comprehensive evaluation when working with gifted students who demonstrate learning difficulties and/or socialization concerns.

Our day together will conclude with a discussion of career counseling and those topics that are especially relevant for counselors to consider, including preparation for post-secondary education and implications for students who are talented in more than one area (multipotentiality).

The seminar will focus mainly on gifted students in the pre-adolescent and adolescent years.

PROFESSOR SUSAN ASSOULINE



Professor Susan G. Assouline is Associate Director of the Belin-Blank Center for Gifted Education and Talent Development at the University of Iowa. She also holds a faculty appointment in school psychology. She received her B. S. in general science with a teaching endorsement, her Ed.S. in School

Psychology, and her Ph.D. in Psychological and Quantitative Foundations. Upon completion of her doctorate, she was awarded a two-year post-doctoral fellowship at the Study of Mathematically Precocious Youth (SMPY) at Johns Hopkins University and subsequently joined the Belin-Blank Center in 1990. She has a special interest in academically talented primary school students and is co-author of *Developing Math Talent: A Guide for Educating Gifted and Advanced Learners in Math* (2005). As well, she is co-developer of *The Iowa Acceleration Scale*, a tool designed to guide educators and parents through decisions about accelerating students. She has conducted numerous workshops for parents and teachers on acceleration, development of mathematical talent, and gifted/disabled students. In 2004, she co-authored, with Nicholas Colangelo and Miraca U. M. Gross, *A Nation Deceived: How Schools Hold Back America's Brightest Students*. In 2005, she received the University of Iowa Board of Regents Staff Excellence Award and in 2007 she received the Mensa Education & Research Foundation Award for Excellence in Research.

APPLICATION FOR GERRIC SEMINAR

LED BY SUSAN ASSOULINE

19 JANUARY, 2009

Personal Details

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Name of school or employing authority

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Current position

Academic qualifications

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What previous training in gifted education have you had?

Payment Details

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Amount: \$ (\$250 per participant)

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SEND YOUR APPLICATION TO: Lara Glasser, GERRIC, UNSW, NSW, 2052 or Fax it to (02) 9385 1973
Closing date for applications (unless filled prior): FRIDAY 9 January, 2009