

ATHENS – GREECE

21.04.2025 - 26.04.2025

"Going Green: Outdoor Education for Sustainable Development"

In this course participants will learn how to implement practices to make their classroom, school and community aware of the environmental challenges, and more eco-friendly.

Description

Climate change and loss of biodiversity is seen as the most pressing challenge over the decade, according to [the World in 2030 Survey report](#) published by the UN Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). According to WWF 'We are the first generation to know we're destroying the world, and we could be the last that can do anything about it.

The solution lies to personal responsibility but also education.

In this course participants will learn how to implement practices to make their classroom, school and community aware of the environmental challenges, and more eco-friendly.

The goal, therefore, of this training programme is that given a number of topics to work on, the participants will experience and evaluate certain practices, but also design their own plans for incorporation in their own educational context. Teachers and Youth leaders will raise awareness in their own countries to inspire young people to become active citizens and help find solutions to the environmental crisis.

Learning objectives

Participants will be able:

- to create their own action plan for the evaluation and assessment of 'green' practices at their schools
- to create lesson plans to help raise awareness in their classroom, school and/or community about the environmental crisis
- to learn how to inspire their students to make little lifestyle changes with a big impact
- to gain confidence in the use of technology and learn upcycling skills
- to develop skills such as critical thinking, collaboration, use of new technologies in education, creative and innovative thinking in education etc
- to develop their English language skills through interaction with a multinational group of educators
- to join a broader international team that will support their future needs in professional development

Methodology & assessment

- Educational Practices Across Europe & The European Environmental Targets
- Critical and Creative Thinking for Sustainability
- Evaluation of Current Practices at School
- The 'Green' 6 Rs (Rethink, Refuse, Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Rot) as a tool in environmental education.
- WAEW: The 5 areas of environmental crisis (Water, Air, Energy, Waste)
- Raising Awareness
- Taking Action
- Measuring Impact
- Outdoor Learning
- Eco-STEM activities and Upcycling
- Sample Lessons and Projects, Presentations and Assessment



Going Green: Outdoor Education for Sustainable Development

	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
09:00 - 10:30	Welcome Creating an Outdoor Classroom	Leading a PBL classroom- An insight on the leader behind a successful team	Ethos and child-led learning	Create your own Outdoor learning lesson plan- A look at fresh ideas	10am Roundtable Discussion
10:30 - 10:45	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
10:45 - 11:30	How to incorporate OLE to different subjects	Mentor and inspire via Outdoor Learning	Assessment of Outdoor learning	Workshop: 'Recycle Warrior' lesson plan	Roundtable Discussion
11:30 - 12:30	Workshop: Lesson Plans of Outdoor Learning for various disciplines	Workshop: Take a closer look at a tree lesson plan	Workshop: 'Habitats' lesson plan	Making learning meaningful-Setting goals for students and the classroom	Roundtable Discussion
12:30 - 12:45	Reflective Journal	Reflective Journal	Reflective Journal	Feedback	
	14.00 Welcome Lunch	5pm Cultural Visit			

Activities might be adjusted depending on the needs of the course participants