Final EdD Presentation Seminar - Kerry Ang

Human Rights Education: exploring the experiences of participants in a human rights education program in a Melbourne secondary college

To be held on Friday 12 October, 3:00-4:30pm in room 4.47, Melbourne Campus

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ABSTRACT

Title: Human Rights Education - exploring the experiences of participants in a human rights education program in a Melbourne secondary school.

The research project that was undertaken was a case study of a week-long interdisciplinary human rights education program for Year 8 students at Carey Baptist Grammar School in Kew, Victoria, called the Human Rights Convention. A case study approach was employed and methods used to gather data were interviews, observations, document analysis and surveys. Data was analysed using four approaches: thematic; narrative; visual image; and quantitative. Findings revealed that both teacher and student participants valued the program highly, and for many students it was seen as a life-changing experience. However, it was also found that there were a number of areas where the program could possibly be improved to increase its
effectiveness for all participants. The program was also found to have relevance for other educational contexts.

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