

A Summary of the Education Short Course in UWTSD

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It was such a privilege to attend the Education Short Course held from July 24th to August 18th 2023 in the University of Wales Trinity Saint David, Swansea Campus. The course comprised of Research methods in Education and Leadership and Management in Education.

With regards to Research methods in Education, we have learned various research methods for social sciences, such as Questionnaire, Coaching and Mentoring. By learning the course, I have known the differences between Coaching and Mentoring and how important to coach a student than just teach. And I have learned how to design and make proper questionnaires.

As for Leadership and Management in Education, we have learned the basic theories of leadership and management, and we have discussed deeply about the differences between leadership and management. It was also the first time for me to consider I am more like a leader or a manager. I also found the lecturers in the UWTSD are very good at guiding students and using discussion and presentation, which makes students more

concentrated in the class and think creatively and make output independently. This is what I should enhance in my future teaching process.

What's more, the UWTSD organized the visit to its Art College and the Lampeter Campus. It was quite impressive that we got an opportunity to know more about the history of the university and its major and curriculum Settings in different campuses and colleges. The university also arranged the cultural trips for us, including Rhossilli Bay, Bath, Bicester and Cardiff, so that we can have a better understanding on the local culture. It was such a pleasant journey.

To me, the greatest achievement is that it has broadened my mind and changed the way I was thinking. My knowledge and practical skills have been significantly enriched, and my English listening and speaking skills has also been improved. My newly learned skills will significantly benefit me after this course.

In conclusion, it was such a wonderful and unforgettable experience to me. Thanks very much for this great learning opportunity provided by the Inner Mongolia University, and thanks so much to all the colleagues who have traveled and studied together.