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CHANGE AND INNOVATIONS: LEADERSHIP AND LEARNING

Date: March 28, 2017 (Tuesday)

Time: 17:00 - 19:00

Venue: MWT7, Meng Wah Complex, HKU

Speaker: Professor Nancy Law

Chair: Emeritus Professor Kai-ming Cheng

Discussant: Dr. John K. Tan

Abstract:

Since the turn of the millennium, fast paced economic, political and technological changes have created pressures on education systems around the world, and in Hong Kong, to change. Major efforts to reform the curriculum and pedagogy have been on-going in nearly all societies. With very similar rhetorical goals, there are diverse implementation strategies, for example standards and accountability vs school-based innovation and entrepreneurship. However, teacher learning is always high on the policy implementation agenda, but not so with respect to leadership or leadership development. This seminar puts forward a framework for the design and implementation of teacher learning that connects organically with leadership development at multiple levels across networks of schools. Only when schools learn together in collaborative innovation networks, with concerted efforts of school principals, middle management teams and classroom teachers, can teacher learning and curriculum innovations become progressively developed, sustained and scaled. This framework will be illustrated using local and international examples. It also illustrates how policy issues at the micro and macro levels needs to be addressed as a connected whole.



Speaker:

Nancy Law is a professor in the Information and Technology Studies Division of the Faculty of Education at HKU. She is the corresponding co-convenor for the Science of Learning at the University, and founding honorary director for the Centre for Information Technology in Education (CITE). Her research interests include international comparative studies of technology-enabled learning innovations, models of ICT integration in schools and change leadership, computer supported collaborative learning and the use of expressive and exploratory computer-based learning environments.

Discussant:

Dr. John K. TAN is Vice Chairman of the Hong Kong Principals' Institute and Principal of Pun U Association Wah Yan Primary School. He researched on educational policy and socio-political change in his Ph.D studies.

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