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Seminar

Wednesday, 18 March 2009, 1–2 pm

Clayton Campus
Building 6, Room G23

Social inclusion in higher education and VET

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The Australian government has adopted a *social inclusion agenda* to address poverty, deprivation and other social ills. This seminar discusses social inclusion and exclusion in the context of higher education and vocational education and training (VET). It will explore different meanings of social inclusion and exclusion and how these concepts can be used to advance knowledge of inequities (and their causes) in education. It will discuss measures of social inclusion and exclusion and possible ways to identify those groups most affected by social exclusion and the factors that contribute to their experience. Finally, the seminar will briefly explore some of the social inclusion policies and strategies that have been adopted in Australia and overseas.

Fran is senior research fellow in CEET. Her research interests include: equity in education and training; innovation and the skill needs of industry; and intellectual capital.

Sue is research fellow in CEET. Her research includes studies of the role of digital technology in the education and wider life experiences of secondary school students, equity funding for students in schools, evaluation of state-wide education programs and teacher professional learning.

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