

COURSES START IN THE SPRING

Applications and Registration are open now.

COURSE TITLE

Informal Education in a Summer Day Camp Setting

COURSE DESCRIPTION

As the demands and pressures of teaching young people continue to put increased scrutiny on schools and teachers, there may be unfulfilled possibilities for informal education programs to supplement traditional classroom experiences. The course work will draw from both not-for-profit and for-profit Jewish camp settings to unpack the potentials of informal education to improve learning for students across the United States. The course will be a virtual learning experience, supported by videos, articles, books, case studies, virtual and live discussions.

COURSE LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- 1. Students will have a better understanding of Informal Education such as Summer Camp.
- 2. Students will better understand their own role as Informal Educators.
- 3. Students will learn how Informal Education in a Day Camp Setting has the potential to mitigate perceived education gaps.
- 4. Students will develop their own view of Informal Education and how to incorporate that in their roles at camp.

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COURSE INSTRUCTOR:

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Dave is the Director of Enrollment Management and Marketing and Director of the Masters in Camp Administration and Leadership program at Gratz College. He is a frequent speaker at camp conferences around the United States and has been involved with camps and youth development for over thirty years as a camper, counselor, administrator, educator and consultant.

Dave is a proud AMSkier Insurance Partner who facilitates the Ezersky Safety College and Child Safety Workshops. He also serves as the Chair of the ACA Keystone Local Council of Leaders. In addition to his work with camps, Dave is completing a Doctorate in Educational Leadership at Gratz College focused on Jewish camping. His passions are deeply rooted in providing innovative educational content to youth development professionals.