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How does university-school partnership build social capital in teacher education?



Overview of the Presentation

What are the key issues?

Case Study One: ITE in School – University Partnerships Case Study Two:
Teacher Education
Reform in
Kazakhstan

Key Principles

Questions

Start 1.30

2.15

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Current UK Policy Debate - Where should new teachers be 'trained'?

'teaching is a craft and it is best learnt as an apprenticeship observing a master craftsman or woman. Watching others, and being rigorously observed yourself as you develop, is the best route to acquiring mastery in the classroom.'

(UK Secretary of State for Education at the National College Annual Conference in June 2010)

The University of Cambridge Partnership

PGCE:

100 partner schools in East Anglia

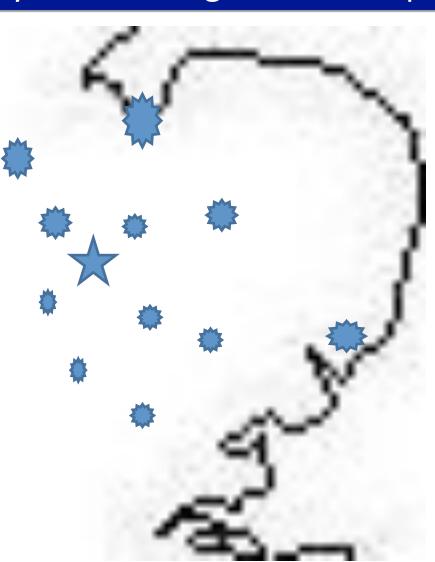
M Ed

~50% return to complete the second year of the M Ed



Alumni

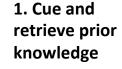
National and International schools



Training and **Education**

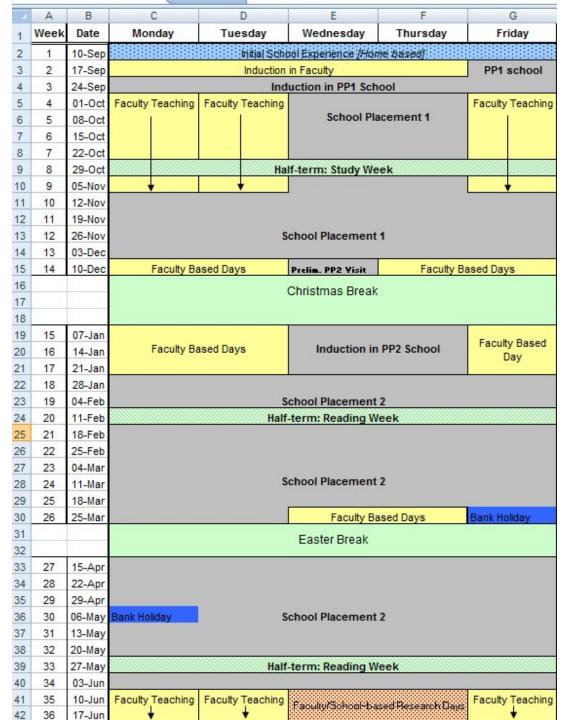
Theoretical Knowledge Two routes to knowing Critical Increasing criticality and Increasing expertise Expert

Practical knowledge



- 3.Create Cognitive dissonance
- 5. Plan, carry out and evaluate teaching and learning sequences

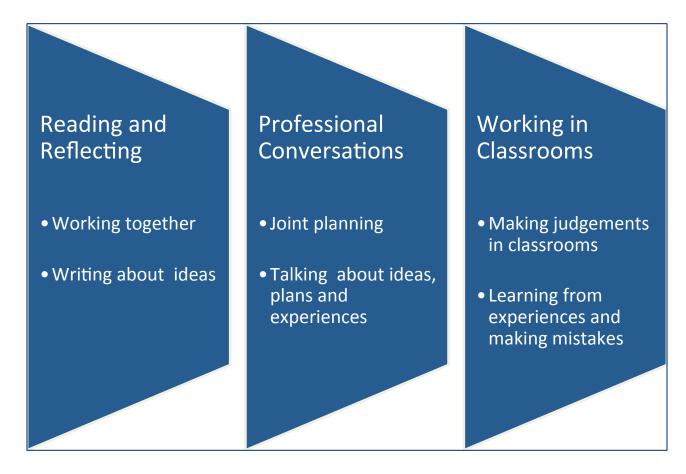
7. Carry out classroom based research



- 2. Examine prior knowledge for adequacy
 - 4. Increase awareness of other ways of working
 - 6. Introduce research methods

Work with
University and
school based
colleagues

Key Learning Processes



Tacit | Judgements

Reactive Judgements

Deliberative Judgements

'Hot' action

Judgements based on intuition

Mainly emotional responses

Knowledge in action

'Act' like a teacher

Judgements linked to actions and the classroom environment

Respond to affective and social contexts

Knowledge *of* action

'Cooler' action

Judgements based on deep understanding

Cognitive domains also involved

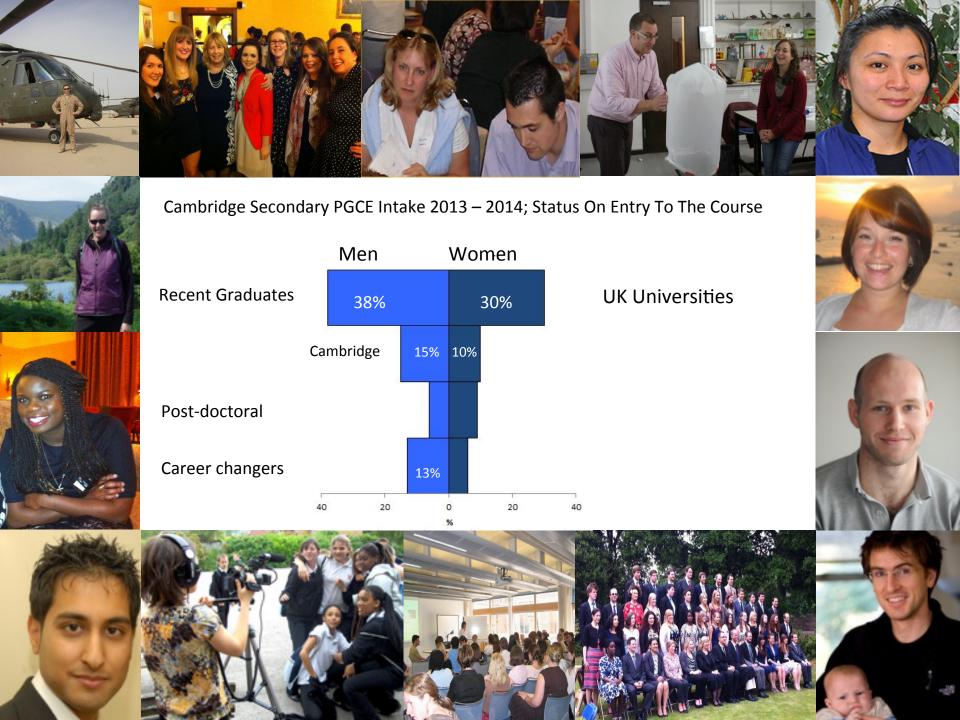
Knowledge for action

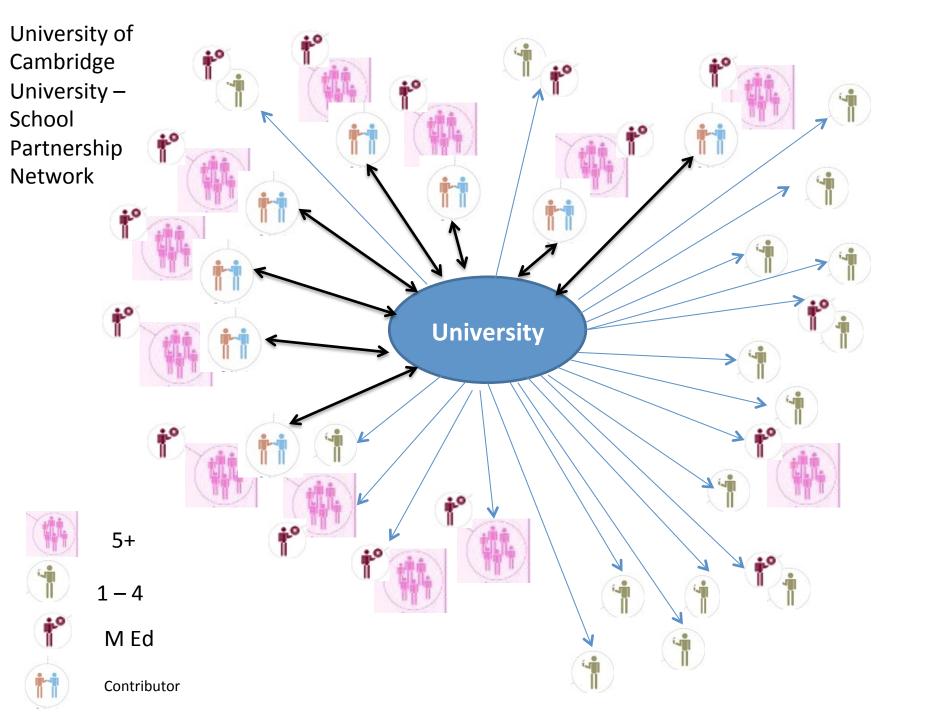
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Premises of the Cambridge programme

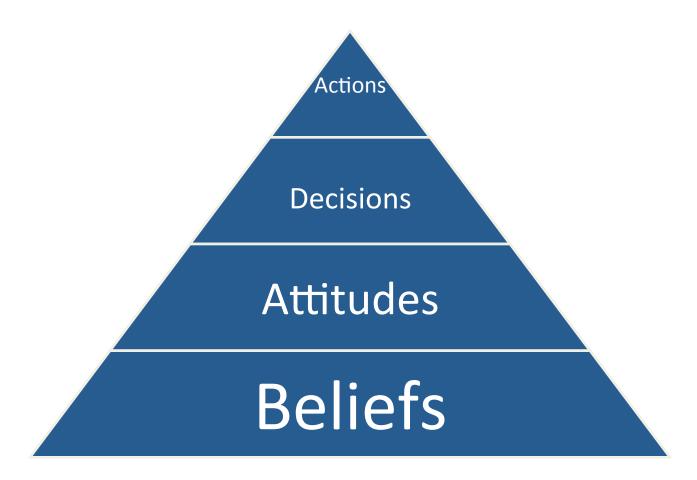
| Shulman 'Apprenticeship' | Teacher Attribute |
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| Head | Professional Understanding |
| head | This is based on strong theoretical foundations and requires good knowledge about learning and learners. It will also require knowledge of how to use research evidence to develop and understand practice. |
| Hand | Practical Teaching Skills |
| hand | This apprenticeship requires technical and practical skills and ways of working. That is, knowing how to explain ideas through a range of approaches, such as though demonstrating, correcting and evaluating learning. So the teacher also knows how to encourage, reward, set boundaries, plan lesson sequences and evaluate these. When these factors are in place then the teacher is more likely to be able to establish and sustain positive classroom environments where pupils want to learn and attain high and appropriate levels |
| Heart | Professional Integrity |
| heart | Teachers are aware of the ethical and moral dimensions of being a teacher. That is they are honest, courageous, and tolerant, have compassion and respect for learners and are fair. Teachers have positive attitudes, well articulated values about teaching and beliefs which are shared by others in the profession. |

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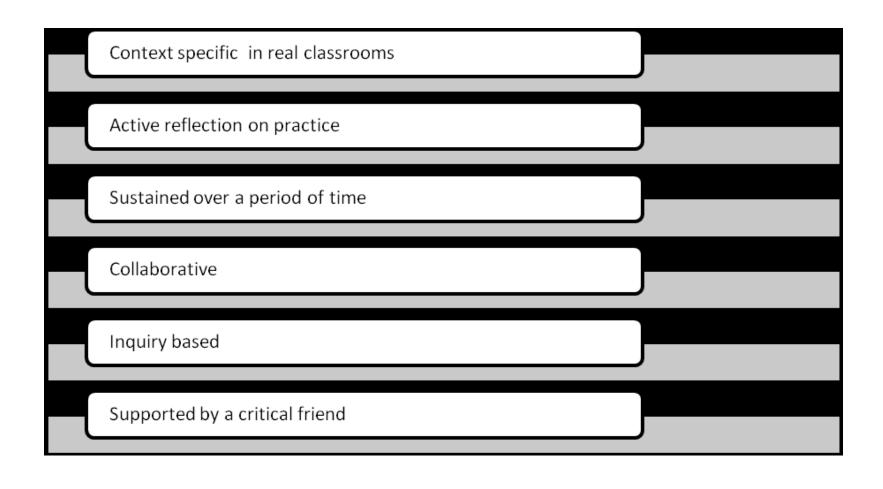




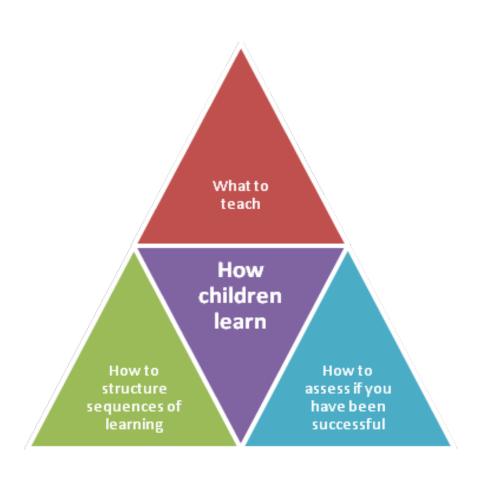
Teacher Factors



Structural Factors: Transformation of Teachers' Practice



Teacher Knowledge



How teachers learn to become teachers

Reading and reflecting

- Working together in workshops
- Writing about your ideas

Professional conversations

- Joint planning
- •Talking about ideas, plans and experiences

Working in authentic classrooms

- Making judgements in classrooms
- Learning from experiences and making mistakes

Figure 5: Criteria for a deep partnership (in ascending order of difficulty)

9 Joint practice development is well established within and between schools in the partnership.

9 Social capital is high within and between schools in the partnership.

9 Collective moral purpose is a value shared and enacted by all stakeholders, including students,

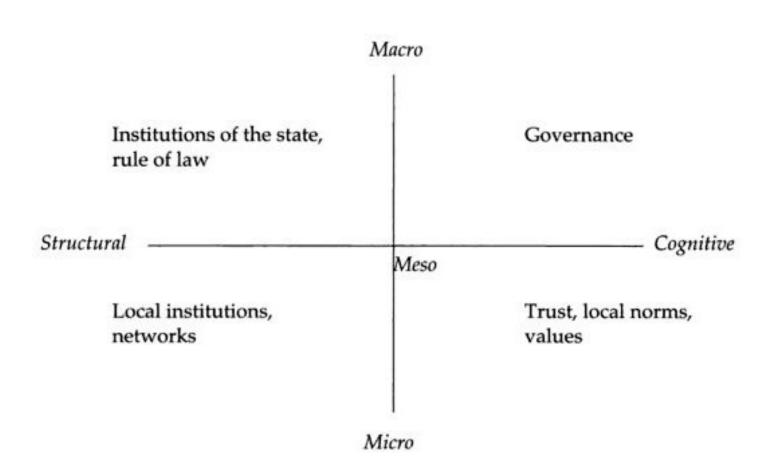
within the partnership.

9 Evaluation and challenge are practised at every level within and between schools.

What is social capital?

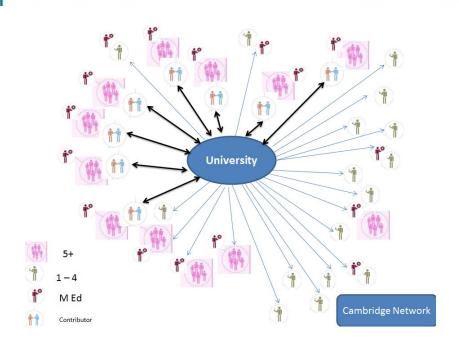
• Whereas physical capital refers to physical objects and human capital refers to the properties of individuals, social capital refers to connections among individuals – social networks and the norms of reciprocity and trustworthiness that arise from them. (Putnam 2000, p. 19)

Scope and form of social capital



Across the school-university partnership new teachers are able to:

- access both research and practice knowledge, and receive instruction in effective ways of teaching all learners in all classrooms;
- work within a collegial teacher learner community with support networks among peers, expert teachers and subject lecturers;
- have access to contrasting school experiences during initial teacher education (ITE);
- acquire a recognised Masters level qualification as well as Qualified Teacher Status.





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University Contribution

| Structural support | Pedagogical support | Social support |
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| | University contribution | |
| The opportunity to work with internationally recognised teacher educators and researchers. | Support to make thoughtful, deliberative judgements, so that new teachers will be able to solve problems in the future in response | Sustained pastoral support during the first few, potentially difficult, years of teaching, beyond initial teacher education. |
| Access to up-to-date recent developments in subject knowledge | to unique classrooms. | |
| Access to the most recent relevant educational research. | Contribution to the generation of practice-research knowledge about learning in classrooms during ITE. | |
| | Continued development of knowledge-building through a second year of MEd degree programme during the early careers stage. | |

School Contribution

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Provision for novices to gain a deeper understanding of the complexities of teaching in a range of classrooms.

Time to think about practice in authentic classrooms.

Engage in professional conversations about authentic classroom practice.

Support from expert school-based mentors who have been trained by the University and share the common partnership values of constantly striving to improve the learning of students in classrooms.

Support to take risks and be innovative in the classroom.

Support from expert teachers in applying and preparing for interviews and first teaching posts.

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