1: Narrative Research as Transitional Space for Learning
Friday 20th February 2009, 10.00 - 16.00

With Dr Linden West, Co-Director of Centre for International Studies of Diversity and Participation, Canterbury Christchurch University.
Linden West will facilitate a day-long session on narrative research (including biography and auto/biographical perspectives), with a particular emphasis on story telling, narrativity and narrative repertoires. He introduces narrative research as transitional space for learning, exploring a range of methodological, epistemological and ethical issues and discussing work with marginalised learners.
2: Reflexivity in Narrative Research
Friday 22nd May 2009, 10.00 - 16.00

With Prof Kim Etherington, Professor of Narrative and Life Story Research, University of Bristol.
This day offers an opportunity to learn about using narrative inquiry, based upon social constructionist, constructivist and feminist ideas and practices, as a means of capturing complex, multi-layered and nuanced understandings of lived experience. It includes opportunities for learning through presentations and discussions, as well as experiential ways of gathering stories. The day addresses issues of relationship, ethics, methods, collaboration, reflexivity and ways of knowing.

3: Narrative Inquiry and Transformation
Friday 9th October 2009, 10.00 - 16.00

With Dr Jane Speedy, Director of the Centre for Narrative and Transformative Learning, University of Bristol.
In the course of this Masterclass Jane Speedy will explore the development of narrative inquiry as a transformative process. The workshop will include opportunities to investigate and develop different narrative genres. Individual and collective understandings of narrative processes as therapeutic, restorative and transformative will be explored. The day will be conducted in the form of an experiential, hands on workshop, although plenty of handouts and further reading materials will be provided for those who wish to develop any of these ideas further.
About The Centre for Transformative Narrative Inquiry

The Centre for Transformative Narrative Inquiry in the National University of Ireland, Maynooth explores the role of narrative inquiry in creating a transformative space for learning. It is an interdisciplinary research group drawn from the Departments of Education and Adult and Community Education.

Narrative inquiry is concerned with researching lives and the stories people tell about them. Narrative methods have claimed an increasing place in academic research and are alive and well (if sometimes marginal and contested) in various academic disciplines such as literature, history, sociology, anthropology, social policy, and education as well as in feminist and minority studies.
The Centre for Transformative Narrative Inquiry, NUIM Presents
Dr. Linden West "On narrative research as transitional space for learning"

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Other (including lunch and refreshments) €100

Please return completed application forms to Mary Corbally at The Department of Adult and Community Education, NUI Maynooth (tel: (01) 7083784 / email Mary.E.Corbally@nuim.ie).

Final date for receipt of applications: 2nd February 2009