

UArctic Thematic Network of

# Teacher Education



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Online Seminars

There are two upcoming online seminars! The first is in 14th of June. The second will be in October. Further information for these will be disseminated closer to the date.

### Thematic Network Symposium

The next Thematic Network Symposium will take place on the 27th and 28th of November in Rovaniemi with the focus being Teacher Education of the Arctic region: Diversity and Identity in the North. Participants will also have the opportunity to continue their stay and attend the Arctic Children and Youth on the 29th, as well as the FERA Conference on Education on the 30th and 1st.

### Call for Papers: Education in the North

We are seeking journal articles, features and book reviews for a special edition of Education in the North. The deadline for the submission of interest and abstract is the 23rd of June. We are especially interested in submissions that address one of the projects key topics.

For more information visit:  
[www.ulapland.fi/uatn](http://www.ulapland.fi/uatn)

## NEWS

### Real-time Research Seminar

On 30 March 2017, the first ever TN online real-time research seminar connected students and lecturers at University of Helsinki and University of Aberdeen. The seminar discussed the topic: What is diversity in learning? The purpose was to stimulate thinking about diversity, and how we can deal with it in research / teaching and learning. The participants both in Helsinki and Aberdeen engaged in vivid discussions in their classrooms, and shared their ideas about diversity. Many questions were raised, based on the presentations made by the students. The feedback from this first seminar was very encouraging, and we are looking forward to establish this on a regular basis.

### Project receives SDWG approval

On February 2017 the Arctic Council's Sustainable Development Working Group (SDWG) officially approved the project "Teacher Education for Diversity and Equality in the Arctic" and was granted the SDWG endorsement status. The main focus for the project is on developing knowledge exchange around inclusive and effective teaching practices mainly focusing on Arctic pedagogy. Coordination for the projects activities, which include creating local and international networks, shared research and shared teaching, will be conducted by members of our Thematic Network. Saana Korva has been appointed as Project Coordinator and will be operating from the University of Lapland, Finland.



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# WHO ARE WE? GET TO KNOW YOUR FELLOW MEMBERS!

In each issue of this newsletter a member of the network will be introduced. This will allow us to get to know each other better!



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The Faculty of Education has existed at the University since it first opened in 1979. The Faculty has over 780 students and 120 staff within the four units of the Unit for Continuing Education, Centre for Media Pedagogy, Unit for Gender Studies and the Teacher Training School. The Faculty has two main focuses in its research, learning and teaching as advocates of social sustainable development and education, work and equality in Arctic communities. These research topics align well with the focus of the Thematic Network and its new project! Just a corridor or two away from the Faculty is the UArctic International Secretariat Offices. This team supplies the main coordination and contact point for the University of the Arctic.

## MEET OUR OPERATION TEAM



**Dr. Tuija Turunen** is the current Dean of the Faculty of Education at the University of Lapland and is the Lead in the UArctic Thematic Network.



**Dr. Rauna Rahko-Ravanti** is a University lecturer in Sami language and culture at the University of Lapland and is a specialist team member.



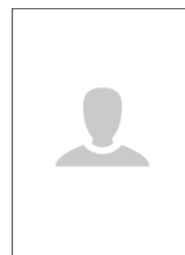
**Dr. Erika Sarivaara** is an associate professor at the University of Lapland and is a specialist team member.



**Dr. Sai Väyrynen** is currently doing research at the Open University in the University of Helsinki and is the Vice-Lead in the Thematic Network.



**Dr. Suvi Lakkala** is a senior lecturer in inclusive education at the University of Lapland and is a specialist team member.



**Hanna Poikela** works as an advisor at the Internationalisation Services and will provide support to the TN on international mobility.



**Saana Korva** is a coordinator for the TN teacher Education in the Faculty. She is also a project manager and researcher in the Faculty.



**Dr. Outi Kyrö-Ämmälä** is a senior lecturer in teacher education and the current Vice-Dean of the Faculty of Education at the University of Lapland. She is a specialist team member.



**Minna Körkkö** is a current PhD candidate and Junior Re-searcher with the Faculty of Education at the University of Lapland. She coordinates the TN social media pages.

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