The Curriculum Resource Centre as a Base for Professional Growth and Innovation in Education: an exploration and analysis of the Project

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Research demonstrates that the single most important factor determining how much students learn is the quality of their teachers. The Curriculum Resource Centre (CRC) at Emirates College for Advanced Education (ECAE) is a significant asset for aspiring and in-service teachers alike. Its energized and interested administrative team not only fosters a lively, productive environment for the centre’s users, but also strives to keep up with the latest technologies and tools of the trade to enhance their students' learning experience and preparation before and after entering the teaching profession. This presentation describes the CRC as a change facilitator linking our education students, student teachers and colleagues in local schools with a variety of educational and human resources and offering help and support. Details of the project and the role of the CRC within the project are given. Practical ideas and learning insights are offered to enable educators and CRC administrators to create similar models and experiences of their own.