

## ¿Cómo integrar la educación, la investigación y la justicia ocupacional? Proyecto Miquel Martí i Pol

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### Introduction

In front of the crisis of social relevance of the University, the Universitat de Vic had commenced the project Miquel Martí i Pol in 2006, which integrates the education, the investigation and the occupational justice. The project implied the creation and maintenance of a garden, what was possible with the conjoint effort of persons, experiencing social exclusion, confronting poverty and mental health issues, along with students of occupational therapy. The project is recognized as a good European praxis in occupational therapy, is yielding new fruits: a doctoral thesis studies will explore in depth the aspects of well-being, citizenship, and ecology. A research project has been presented in partnership with the University of Brighton; and a European project Grundtvig has been presented jointly with the occupational therapists of Holland, Greece and Belgium. This project will be the plot thread of the workshop.

### Learning outcomes

This presentation will explore:

- The power to integrate the educational praxis with the research, looking for the teaching excellence and the creation of a more fair society, recovering the University as a school of citizenship and democracy.
- How to build up strategic alliances with the political, social and business sector.
- How to develop qualitative investigations, inspired by the Participatory Action Research, giving voice to groups, silenced by the society, making real a sociology of the emergences (Sousa Santos).
- How to turn the University into a meeting space with "the Other" (Lévinas).
- How to modify both the social environment and the ecological one, fighting stigmas and social prejudices and promoting sustainability.
- Philosophical and theoretical approaches to develop a cultural and human relevant praxis.

### Duration

1,5 hours

### Participants

Maximum 40

### Methods

- Presentation ppt
- Videos

- Groups of work

## Conclusion

The integration of the education, research and occupational justice is vital to guarantee the excellence of the training, always remembering the social and ecological challenges that Humanity is confronting. The University can and must contribute to social change, creating an occupational therapy, relevant for the persons and populations to whom we try to serve.