



**Soil, Soul & Society in the Education Encounter
A Journey of Embodied Scholarship
with Dr Giles Barrow**

Have you had a crisis of faith as an educator?

Felt that you have lost your way in teaching?

Or do you have a sense that it's education that's lost its way?

Are you someone who spends time curious about how education can exist in a way that's relevant to a planet that's on the rocks?

Maybe you ache for a world-centred approach to education...perhaps you've been wondering how can education matter, and how that might be important for you as an educator.

If these words speaks to you, then this innovative programme will be what you are looking for. Rooted in a doctoral study, cultivated over many years experience in school and adult education, the course is designed to introduce teachers to taking a philosophical angle to forming a new vision of education that meets the challenges of the current crisis in education.

Programme Detail

We will be engaged with scholarship around education philosophy and theory. Key writers who will be in conversation include Gert Biesta, Hannah Arendt, Grace Jantzen, George Cajole, James Conroy, Satish Kumar, Parker Palmer, Max v. Manen and Martin Shaw.

Themes to explore include ecological pedagogy, natality, existential education, holistic education, professional identity and vocation, subjectification, teacherly gaze and gesture, liminality, the importance of story and myth, the role of education in education and indigenous perspectives.

Practicalities

Combining five in-person weekends and on-line support sessions, the course starts in November 2025 and completes in Sept 2026.

In-person workshops

(beginning Fri evening, closing Sun mid-afternoon)

5th - 7th December 2025

20th - 22nd Feb 2026

22nd - 24th May 2026

19th - 21st June 2026

18th - 20th Sept 2026

Introductory on-line session

3rd November 2025 (6-8pm)

Additional on-line sessions to be arranged with group

Venue

Mill House, Mill Hill, Earl Soham, Suffolk IP13 7RP

Cost

£1140 (inc. in-person and on-line sessions

plus hard copy of doctorate study and refreshments

(Does not include accommodation or meals.

Free camping and bunking down in the yurt available on request)

Spaces still available.

For more details reach out to Giles at: giles.barrow@gmail.com