

## **Action Research (EDIT 5774)**

### **Course Introduction:**

Welcome to Action Research. This is a graduate level research course that meets the research requirements for the online IT Master's program. Action research is different to the traditional research approaches. The emphasis of this course is on the understanding of fundamentals of action research—what is action research, how is it different to traditional research, how to design and conduct an action research project.

As Water-Adams (2006) pointed out, the most important aspect of action research is that the research process enhances teachers' professional development through fostering their capabilities as professional knowledge makers, rather than as professional knowledge users. The purpose of this course is to help you change from a knowledge user to knowledge creator. Therefore, in this course, you will not only be exposed to action research conceptually, but also be guided to conduct an action research project step-by-step.

### **Course Goal:**

1. Upon the successful completion of this course, learners will be able to:
2. Demonstrate the understanding of the fundamental concepts of action research.
3. Differentiate action research from other traditional research approaches.
4. Conduct an action research.
5. Report an action research attempt in the form of a research paper.