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**Internship at Metro Central Education District**

*Western Cape Department of Education*

Intern: Josh Benjamin

Institution: Mc Gill University, Montreal, Canada

Dates: Block 1: 12 – 24 May + Block 2: 6 June – 14 June

Internship coordinator at Metro Central: Kristin Poulter

**Objectives and Goals**

**Objective:** To gather data about the Basic Concepts Programme in the Metro and make proposals to take this process further

**Primary Goals:** to be presented by the end of the internship

* To formulate a history of the Basic Concepts Programme in the Metro
* To present a summary of your findings - this should include a proposal of what additional research might need to be done Metro

**Secondary Goals:** to be worked on during the internship

* To determine the number of teachers that have been trained and to construct a database
* To fragment the above information, for example by Grade, School, and Designation
* To determine the number of Basic Concept (BC) teachers that are currently employed by the Metro – and to locate these teachers if possible
* To determine the number of Learning Support Teachers and Advisors that have been trained/not trained
* To meet with key people in the Metro about the Basic Concepts Programme: Director of Learning Support –Enver Hassen, Kristin Poulter, Dulcie Volkwyn, Rehanda Haman, Michele Lothian, Faith Engel and Gill Brand
* To formulate a set of questionnaires to be used with a number of focus groups -see below
* To arrange a focus meeting with Learning Support Advisors
* To arrange a focus meeting with Learning Support Teachers
* To arrange focus meeting with Foundation Phase Teachers that have been trained
* To present your findings to key role players at the Metro and BCU