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Complementing the offering of the intensive 7251EPS: Gifted and Talented (a course part of the Masters of Education Studies), Academicus is a program which allows gifted and talented students the opportunity to work with experts in Gifted Education, and teachers enrolled in the course the opportunity to observe experts in Gifted Education at work and to apply their learning to classroom situations.

Therefore, Griffith University in conjunction with BRAINways EDUCATION invites gifted and talented students of the Gold Coast to participate in:

ACADEMICUS: Philosophy: A Thinking Toolbox

This workshop is part of a four workshops program developed by BRAINways EDUCATION.

Based on such ground breaking works as that of Matthew Lipman, Gary Matthews and Philip Cam, the workshops will teach students to recognize and sharpen their natural capacities to reason, by introducing the tools of philosophical and critical thinking, such as reasons, distinctions, analogies, counterexamples and consequences. The aim of this program is to extend the students' innate capacity to question, reflect, and develop a train of thought. The philosophical skills gained underpin a full range of academic endeavors, contributing to better academic outcomes. However, the philosophical reasoning developed in a cooperative circle of enquiry also contributes to problem solving, the development of better social skills, the capacity to articulate feelings, tolerance for the view of others, emotional intelligence strategies, and a sense of justice, fairness and responsibility.

A program for students year levels 4-6.

Program developed and presented by BRAINways EDUCATION.

Program Dates: Thursday, 30 September, 2010

Program Times: 9.30am - 12.00pm (please arrive 15 minutes early for registration)

Place: Griffith University, Parklands Drive, Southport, Qld.

Cost: \$30 per student

**To enrol, please complete the Application For Enrolment Form and, with payment, forward it to the program organisers at the following address:
BRAINways EDUCATION, PO Box 505, Indooroopilly, Qld, 4068.**

What to bring: Drink (water only please), morning and afternoon tea, lunch, notebook and pencil, smile