

## Positive Youth Development: An Approach to Primary Prevention and Wellness

Education is charged with the mission to facilitate the holistic development of young people, as opposed to focusing narrowly on academic development and competence. Positive youth development is a strength-based paradigm that has been used in the last two decades to inform and guide youth interventions in education and community settings. Positive youth development provides a framework that can be applied broadly to prepare young people to confront contemporary challenges and to thrive at school, at work and in the community.

In this seminar, several theoretical frameworks will be presented along with exemplars of evidence-based interventions in the U.S. that connect the school, community and workplace. Adaptation and development of these exemplary practices across cultures and social context will be discussed.

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**Time:** 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

**Venue:** Room B5, Ho Tim Building,

Chung Chi College, CUHK

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## **About the Speaker**

Professor Maureen E. Kenny is the Dean of Boston College Lynch School of Education where she is also a Professor in Counseling Psychology. She received her bachelor's degree from Brown University, her master's degree in Psychological Counseling and Rehabilitation from Columbia University Teachers College, and her Ph.D. in Counseling and School Psychology from the University of Pennsylvania. Her research interests focus on prevention and positive youth development, especially as related to career development, school engagement, and the development of social-emotional competencies. Professor Kenny is the author or co-author of over 50 referred journal articles, seven books and 28 book chapters.