

Professional Profile

Michael Bradshaw, Trinidad & Tobago



Qualifications and Training:

- Michael “Mike” Bradshaw is the holder of a Trinidad & Tobago Teacher’s Certificate (distinction); Bachelor of Education (Science - 1st Class Honours); Certificate in the Teaching of Science; Master’s Degree, Educational Administration, Curriculum and Policy Planning (University of the West Indies (UWI), a Master of Philosophy in Educational Leadership (UWI). He completed professional training in Quality Assurance; Quality Management; Standards Development; Project Management; Human Resource Management; Teacher Education; and, Principal Development. His doctoral research was based on “Decision Making in the Quality Assurance Process.” Further, he’s a Fellow of the Association of Business Executive.
- Mike has accumulated over thirty-five (35) years experience in the field of education at all levels of the education system of which twenty (20) was in quality assurance in higher education and training.
- Mike has extensive training and experience as a trained External Evaluator (Peer Reviewer) by the Higher Learning Commission (Chicago Illinois); ACE (Washington, USA); INQAAHE (Windhoek, Namibia) and ACTT (Trinidad and Tobago). He conducted activities in the following areas:
 1. Peer Review of tertiary level institutions and programmes locally and regionally
 2. Quality Assurance of institutions and programmes in the CARICOM region
 3. Development of Qualifications Frameworks in the CARICOM Region as well as for the Commonwealth of Learning (COL)

- As Director/Member of INQAAHE'S Board of Directors for the past three (3) years, Mike has supported INQAAHE'S in several projects especially leading the changes in INQAAHE'S Constitution. He has also worked on several Committees of INQAAHE.

Work Experience in Quality Assurance:

- **Quality Assurance/Enhancement Professional, University of the West Indies, Faculty of Medical Sciences (2018- present)** with responsibility for internal and external quality assurance and quality enhancement of the UWI's Faculty of Medical Sciences in Barbados, Jamaica and Trinidad and Tobago and the School of Medicine in Nassau, Bahamas.

Mike also teaches "Change Management" and "Educational Administration) on the Masters of Education Programme, School of Education, UWI.

- **Executive Director, ACTT (2009 – to 2018)** undertook the task of re-visiting the Council's Technical and Administrative policies for both its internal operations as well as for all the services offered to tertiary level institutions and the public in general. This is towards developing a robust quality assurance system for the Council that is on par with international organisations that offer the similar services as ACTT. Further, he initiated and established The Quality Institute (TQI) that offers training and attachment to fledgling Quality Assurance Bodies regionally. He championed the Council signing of several MoA's with internationally recognised quality assurance bodies such as UK Quality Assurance Agency, UK-NARIC, the Council for Adult and Experiential Learning (CAEL), USA and a member of the Council for Higher Education Accreditation Quality Group (USA).
- **Director, Accreditation and Quality Enhancement, ACTT (2005 – 2009)** was responsible for the development, implementation, and management of the regulatory framework for post-secondary and tertiary education institutions seeking registration, accreditation, programme approval and conferment of institutional titles.
- **Training Specialist - Professional Development (2009 -2004)** in both the Ministry of Education (MOE) and former Ministry of Science, Technology and Tertiary Education (MSTTE) has considerable experience in the development, management, and evaluation of professional development programmes for teachers, administrators, and public service personnel. His activities involve working with local and international consultants from the Caribbean, North America and the United Kingdom as well as Specialists from the IADB.
- **Sector Development Specialist (2007 – 2009)** with the National Training Agency responsible for the Energy Sector, he has considerable experience developing, implementing and monitoring occupational and quality standards that informed the development and delivery of training programmes related to the energy sector.
- **Lecturer/Course Co-ordinator/Practicum Supervisor, Teacher Education** University of the West Indies, St Augustine Campus, Trinidad and Tobago and UWI-Open Campus.

- **Consultancies** – Mike was the Lead Consultant in the development and establishment of Quality Assurance systems for the Governments of Guyana and Grenada including the development of their Quality Assurance Frameworks (NQF). He also assisted other Caribbean territories in training Quality Assurance Professionals.

Academic Portfolio:

- Presented academic papers on “*Children Attitudes to the Environment*” and “*Reform of Teacher Education in the Caribbean*” at the UWI Cross Campus Call for Papers
- “*Quality in Tertiary Education in the Caribbean*” and “*Convergence of EQAA’s*” at CANQATE’s Regional Conferences and ACTT’s International Conferences.

Conferences:

- Attended several conferences on Higher Education, Quality Assurance and Teacher Education locally, regionally and internationally including
 - North Central Association –Higher Learning Commission (HLC) (x5)
 - Council for Higher Education Accreditation Quality Group (CHEA-CIQ) (x3)
 - CANQATE (Regional) (x11)
 - INQAAHE (x6)
- Contributed to the last revision of the INQAAHE’S Constitution

Membership in Quality Assurance Organisations:

- Present Director/Member of the INQAAHE’S Board of Director (2018 – 2021)
- Present Vice Chairman of the Virtual University of the Commonwealth of Learning (COL) Transnational Qualifications Framework Management Team
- Past Chairman, Heads of Caribbean Quality Assurance Agencies
- Past Vice President CANQATE, 2010 – 2013