

MA IN SECOND LANGUAGE EDUCATION



"THE SEMINARS [AT THE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION] ARE A GREAT WAY TO BRING TOGETHER PEOPLE WITH DIFFERENT VIEWS, EXPECTATIONS AND EXPERIENCES, AND THE GROUPWORK WAS EFFECTIVELY USED AS A MEANS OF DEVELOPING ARGUMENTS WHILST CREATING A TRUSTING SPACE"

MARK FRANCIS-WRIGHT GRADUATE

UK TOP 15

TIMES AND SUNDAY TIMES GOOD UNIVERSITY GUIDE 2017 COMPLETE UNIVERSITY GUIDE 2017

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This MA programme is aimed at those who wish to develop critical understanding about issues in Second Language Education around the world. The course will help you to understand key theoretical issues and debates related to English as an International Language, policy making, planning, teaching and learning second languages and innovation, both in the international and national arenas.

We welcome those who are qualified teachers and practitioners or graduates new to studying this field. Whatever your background, if you have experience of learning a second language and an interest in second language education, the MA programme will help you to further develop knowledge about current issues and trends in policy development and practice.

Across the year you will:

- Learn with students from around the world and investigate second language education case studies from a variety of countries
- Develop knowledge and understanding of international literature
- Explore research related to second language policy making, pedagogy, and curriculum development
- Learn about examples of best practice which you will critically assess in order to inform the development of practice in your own national context
- Research a specific area of second language education that is of interest to your personal learning needs and/or professional development.

THIS POSTGRADUATE DEGREE IS FOR THOSE WITH BOTH BROAD AND SPECIFIC INTERESTS IN SECOND LANGUAGE EDUCATION

PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

The programme consists of a total of seven modules (180 credits): six taught modules (20 credits each) and a dissertation (60 credits).

The taught modules run in the autumn and spring semesters. The dissertation will be undertaken in the spring semester and has to be submitted by the end of August.

YOUR MODULES

You will take three compulsory specialist modules. These are:

- Principles and Practice in Second Language Education
- Language Learning in Context
- Introducing Innovation and Change.

You will also follow two compulsory modules that cover educational research methods and critical reading. These are designed to provide you with sufficient grounding in the methodology of educational inquiry to help you design and conduct research in your own specialist areas of educational experience and interest.

The module Educational Research Methods provides an introduction to research methodologies in education and is assessed through the production of a research proposal.

The module Critical Reading concentrates on the development of critical skills, particularly through focusing on educational policies.

This module is assessed through a critical policy review.

The sixth module is the dissertation, which is research-based, and is due by the end of the programme.

"THE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND LIFELONG LEARNING IS COMMITTED TO DEVELOPING EDUCATIONAL RESEARCHERS WHO PRODUCE INNOVATIVE RESEARCH IN DIFFERENT FIELDS OF EDUCATION"

ARUNDHATI MUKHERJEE GRADUATE



Working with an individual supervisor, you will design, research and write up an inquiry-based project. With guidance from the course team, you will choose a dissertation topic according to your own individual interests and/or professional background.

You will also choose a specialist, optional module. This could be a Master's level module from the School of Education and Lifelong Learning or a module from the School of Politics, Philosophy, Language and Communication Studies or the School of International Development.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You should have at least a 2:1 undergraduate degree or equivalent from a recognised higher education institution, in English or a Modern Language or a social science or humanities subject.

The University will take into account your educational experience, and in some circumstances prior learning can be accredited.

You need to have an IELTS 6.5 (minimum 6.0 in all components).

TUITION FEES

UK/EU: £7,515 International Students: £14,800

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