

ACADEMIC SERVICES

MODULE SPECIFICATION

Part 1: Basic Data						
Module Title	Becoming an Early Years Teacher 1					
Module Code	UTTG3K-15-2		Level	2	Version	1
UWE Credit Rating	15	ECTS Credit Rating	7.5	WBL modu	le? YES	
Owning Faculty	ACE		Field	Primary, Ea		od and
Department	Education		Module Type	Professional Practice		
Contributes towards	BA (Hons) Early	y Childhood				
Pre-requisites	None		Co- requisites	None		
Excluded Combinations	None		Module Entry requirements			
First CAP Approval Date			Valid from	September	2015	
Revision CAP Approval Date			Revised with effect from			

Review Date	

Part 2: Learning and Teaching				
Learning Outcomes	On successful completion of this module, students will have accumulated a significant body of evidence towards meeting the professional Teachers' Standards (Early Years) in one age phase (baby, 0-2; toddler, 18-36 months; pre-school, 30 – 60 months) and will demonstrate evidence that they can maintain the consistently high standards of personal and professional conduct required of teachers. In particular, they will: 1. Attend placement regularly and consistently (A) 2. Build professional and respectful relationships with children, parents and setting staff, taking full account of feedback from their schools/settings.(A) 3. Set high expectations which inspire, motivate and challenge all children (A) 4. Promote good progress and outcomes by children. (A) 5. Demonstrate secure knowledge of early years' pedagogy and the Early Years Foundation Stage framework within the age phase covered in this practice. (A) 6. Plan education and care taking into account the needs of all children (A) 7. Adapt education and care to respond to the strengths and needs of all children. (A) 8. Make accurate and productive use of assessment (A) 9. Safeguard and promote the welfare of children, and provide a safe learning environment. (A)			
Syllabus Outline	There will be one 6 week placement in an early years setting or reception class of a primary school.			

Students will undertake preparation work within the compulsory, Level 2 EC 15 credit Professional Responsibilities for EYTS which will include safeguarding and child protection. There will also be additional sessions to focus on preparation for practice. Satisfactory preparation must be demonstrated prior to the start of professional practice. A range of appropriate experiences in partnership settings. Formal and informal meetings with a university Professional Tutor to reflect on progress and co-construct targets for on-going professional development Formal and informal observations of teaching and subsequent feedback **Contact Hours** Contact time for this module will take the form of centre-based training in preparation for the placement experience. This will consist of seminars, tutorials, online engagement and email contact. The supervised work-based learning experience will be the equivalent of six weeks of training in an early years setting or reception classroom. The following structure represents a typical delivery; the precise delivery pattern will vary from year to year. Scheduled Learning: 6 hours Independent Learning: 14 hours Placement Learning: 180 hours. TOTAL: 200 hours Teaching and Scheduled learning. This includes structured seminars to support the development Learning of skills and knowledge for undertaking placement as well as individual tutorials and Methods meetings with Professional tutors both in university and on practice. **Independent learning** There is an expectation that all students engage in additional independent study, including preparation for teaching and assessment of learning as well as gathering evidence to document engagement with the teacher standards (Early Years). Placement learning: 6 week placement – full time attendance required. **Key Information** Key Information Sets (KIS) are produced at programme level for all programmes that Sets Information this module contributes to, which is a requirement set by HESA/HEFCE. KIS are comparable sets of standardised information about undergraduate courses allowing prospective students to compare and contrast between programmes they are interested in applying for. 15 Number of credits for this module Hours to Scheduled Allocated Independent Placement be learning and study hours Hours study hours allocated teaching study hours 150 14 130 150 6 The table below indicates as a percentage the total assessment of the module which constitutes a -Written Exam: Unseen written exam, open book written exam, In-class test

Coursework: Written assignment or essay, report, dissertation, portfolio, project

Practical Exam: Oral Assessment and/or presentation, practical skills assessment, practical exam

Please note that this is the total of various types of assessment and will not necessarily reflect the component and module weightings in the Assessment section of this module description:

Written exam assessment percentage				0%
Coursework assessment percentage			0%	
Practical exam assessment percentage			100%	
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Reading Strategy

All students are encouraged to read widely using the library catalogue, a variety of bibliographic and full text databases and Internet resources. Many resources can be accessed remotely. Guidance to some key authors and journal titles available through the Library will be given in the Module Guide and updated annually. Assignment reference lists are expected to reflect the range of reading carried out Students are expected to be able to identify and retrieve appropriate reading.. Additional support is available through the Library Services web pages, including interactive tutorials on finding books and journals, evaluating information and referencing.

Further reading is not essential for this module, but students should be referred to the indicative sources and readings suggested in the compulsory module Level 2 EC 15 credit Professional Responsibilities for EYTS.

Indicative Reading List

Alexander, R. ed. (2009) Children their World, their Education; Final Report and Recommendations of the Primary Education Review. London: Routledge.

Blatchford, R. (2014) The Restless School. Woodbridge: John Catt Educational

Brodie, K. (2013) Observation, Assessment and Planning in the EYs: Bringing it all Together. Maidenhead: OU press

Carr, M. (2001) Assessment in Early Childhood Settings: Learning Stories. London: Sage

Claxton, G. (2008) What's the Point of School? Rediscovering the Hear of Education. Oxford: Oneworld Publications

Cox, S. (2011) New Perspectives in Primary Education. Maidenhead: Open University Press

Cunningham, P. (2012) Politics and the Primary teacher. Abingdon: Routledge.

Dubiel, D, (2014) Effective Assessment in the Early Years Foundation Stage. London: Sage

Featherstone, S. (2012) Catching Them at it!: Assessment in the Early Years. London: Featherstone Press

Glazzard, J., Chadwick, D., Webster, A. & Percival, J. (2010) Assessment for Learning in the Early Years Foundation Stage. London: Sage

Graduate School of Education (2013) *Bristol Guide to Professional Responsibilities and Statutory Frameworks for teachers and others in schools.* Bristol: University of Bristol. http://www.bristol.ac.uk/education/expertiseandresources/bristolguide/ (£6.45, no postage charge)

Hayes, D. (2012) *Foundations of Primary Teaching* 5th ed. London:Routledge (2nd and 4th ed. in library).

Hutchin, J. (2012) Assessing and supporting young children's learning: for the Early Years Foundation Stage profile London: Hodder Education

Johnson, J. (2014) *Becoming an Early Years Teacher*. Maidenhead: Open University Press. McGraw-Hill Education

Knowles, G. (2009) Ensuring Every Child Matters: A Critical Approach. London: Sage Publications Ltd.

Moyles, J. (2010) *Thinking about Play: Developing a Reflective Approach*. Maidenhead: Open University Press, McGraw-Hill Education

Moyles, J., Payler, J. & Georgeson, J. (2014) *Early Years Foundations. Critical Issues.* (2nd ed) Maidenhead: Open University Press; McGraw-Hill Education

Nutbrown, C. (2011) 4th ed. *Threads of Thinking. Schemas and Young Children's Learning.* London: Sage

Pardoe, D. (2009) Towards Successful Learning. 2nd ed. London: Continuum.

Pollard, A., Anderson, J., Maddock, M., Swaffield, S., Warin, J., and Warwick P. (2008) *Reflective Teaching*. 3rd ed. London: Continuum.

Whalley, M. and the Pen Green Centre Team (2007) *Involving Parents in their Children's Learning*. 2nd ed. London: Sage Publications Ltd

Part 3: Assessment

Assessment Strategy

The criteria for assessment of professional placement will comply with the current, relevant professional Teachers' Standards (Early Years). Within this module students must demonstrate the accumulation, assimilation and volume of knowledge, understanding, skills and attitudes acquired during training.

Students must demonstrate the positive values and behaviour that they expect from children in all aspects of their professional placements.

Students' practice will be underpinned by values that they can articulate and for which they can provide a rationale.

The above will manifest itself in high expectations of all children, consistent and respectful treatment and concern for their care, development and learning; sensitive and effective communication with parents/carers and support staff and an understanding of their contribution; the ability to reflect on and improve their own teaching; motivation to take responsibility for their own professional development.

Assessment against the Teachers' Standards (Early Years) is undertaken by a suitably qualified university Professional Tutor drawing on discussion with appropriate members of staff in the students' school or setting.

Identify final assessment component and element		
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% weighting between components A and B (Standard modules only)		

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Successful completion of one 6 week block of professional practice covering one of the following age ranges (baby, 0-2; toddler, 18-36 months; pre-school, 30 – 60 months) in which robust evidence against the Teaching Standards (Early Years) is gathered and documented. Students should also demonstrate that they are able to maintain consistent attendance and build professional and respectful relationships with children, parents and setting staff, taking full account of feedback from their schools/settings.	Pass	/Fail

Resits

For practice modules, resits are not automatically granted and are subject to the recommendation of the award board.

Component A Description of each element	Element weighting (as % of component)
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If a student is permitted a retake of the module under the University Regulations and Procedures, the assessment will be that indicated by the Module Description at the time that retake commences.