

Module Specification

Classroom Based Enquiry: Early Years Education

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Part 1: Information

Module title: Classroom Based Enquiry: Early Years Education

Module code: UTLGRD-30-M

Level: Level 7

For implementation from: 2023-24

UWE credit rating: 30

ECTS credit rating: 15

Faculty: Faculty of Arts Creative Industries & Education

Department: ACE Dept of Education and Childhood

Partner institutions: None

Delivery locations: Not in use for Modules

Field: Secondary Education and Lifelong Learning

Module type: Module

Pre-requisites: None

Excluded combinations: None

Co-requisites: Professional Development in Early Years Initial Teacher Education 2023-24, Professional Development in Early Years Initial Teacher Education 2023-24, Professional Practice in Early Years Initial Teacher Education 2023-24

Continuing professional development: No

Professional, statutory or regulatory body requirements: None

Part 2: Description

Overview: Not applicable

Features: Not applicable

Educational aims: See Learning Outcomes

Outline syllabus: Areas of Learning (EYFS), curriculum, pedagogy and assessment

Foundation subject knowledge and curriculum understanding

Specialist subject and subject pedagogical knowledge

Formative interrogation and use of data to improve young children's attainment

Practitioner classroom-based research: methodologies and methods; ethics; theory and case studies of practice

Evidence-based professional knowledge and professional learning communities

Current national educational policy, curriculum and priority areas

Part 3: Teaching and learning methods

Teaching and learning methods: Contact time for this module will take the form of lectures, seminars, workshops, presentations, directed study and online engagement.

Scheduled learning: This includes whole cohort lectures, seminars, module tutorials, structured school/setting placement-based work, subject knowledge workshops, , technology-enhanced learning through online engagement and e-mail contact.

Independent learning: There is an expectation that trainees engage in additional independent study, including engaging with essential and further reading, working on personal subject knowledge, preparation for and completion of assignments.

Module Learning outcomes: On successful completion of this module students will achieve the following learning outcomes.

MO1 Understand the importance to continuing improvements in teaching practice. design and outcomes for young children, of engagement with data, research, literature and other professional sources

MO2 Have a secure knowledge of the Creative Arts, Knowledge and Understanding of the world, Physical Development and PSED (EYFS) and Foundation subjects in the curriculum (KS1) and and understand how to foster and maintain pupils' interest in the area/subjects, and address misunderstandings

MO3 Evaluate different models of learning relating to the acquisition of knowledge, or skills, and discrete teaching vs cross-curricular teaching

MO4 Understand the role of the subject leader and have a deep understanding of the specific pedagogical knowledge related to their specialist subject/area

MO5 Know how to plan and conduct a small-scale enquiry in a systematic and independent way, using primary and secondary sources and appropriate ethical and methodological approaches

MO6 Can articulate a rationale for how planned interventions in their teaching are informed by an understanding, underpinned by literature, of how young children learn

MO7 Know how to use local and national statistical data to evaluate the effectiveness of their teaching and plan and implement further interventions to support children's attainment

Hours to be allocated: 300

Contact hours:

Independent study/self-guided study = 228 hours

Face-to-face learning = 72 hours

Total = 300

Reading list: The reading list for this module can be accessed at readinglists.uwe.ac.uk via the following link https://uwe.rl.talis.com/modules/utlgrd-30-m.html

Part 4: Assessment

Assessment strategy: The module will be assessed in two tasks. The first assessment task focuses on trainees understanding of the Creative Arts, Knowledge and Understanding of the world, Physical Development and PSED (EYFS) and Foundation subjects in the curriculum (KS1) and the relationship with cross curricula teaching and learning. Different models of cross curricula learning are to be explored, as will subject integrity and pedagogical approaches to learning.

Task two of the assessment for this module will explore trainees understanding of policy, practice and issues within a specialist area. Trainees will be required to engage in and evaluate a small-scale enquiry with this focus.

All students must have completed a UWE Application for ethical review of research involving human participants form (adapted for the Department of Education and Childhood) and had this approved and signed off by their supervisor before beginning their research. If the supervisor has any concerns which cannot be resolved with the tutee then the ethical review will be passed to the Module Leader and then potentially to the Faculty Research Ethics Committee to consider. Any subsequent changes to the project need to appear as amendments to the Ethical Review form and resubmitted to the Supervisor for approval and re-signing. The completed Ethical Review form must be included in the assignment submission.

Assessment components:

Presentation (First Sit)

Description: 15 minute presentation

Weighting: 25 %

Final assessment: No

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3

Written Assignment (First Sit)

Description: Written assignment (3750 words)

Weighting: 75 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO4, MO5, MO6, MO7

Presentation (Resit)

Description: 15 minute presentation

Weighting: 25 %

Final assessment: No

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3

Written Assignment (Resit)

Description: Written assignment (3750 words)

Weighting: 75 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO4, MO5, MO6, MO7

Part 5: Contributes towards

This module contributes towards the following programmes of study: