

CORPORATE AND ACADEMIC SERVICES

MODULE SPECIFICATION

Part 1: Basic Data					
Module Title	Curriculum, Context and Sustainable Learning Communities				
Module Code	UTXGTJ-30-M		Level	М	Version 1.1
Owning Faculty	ACE		Field	Education – Non Modular	
Contributes towards	PGCE (Post-Compulsory Education and Training)				
UWE Credit Rating	30	ECTS Credit Rating	15	Module Type	Standard
Pre-requisites	None		Co- requisites	None	
Excluded Combinations	None		Module Entry requirements	None	
Valid From	September 2013		Valid to	August 2019	

CAP Approval Date	30 May 2013		
	18 March 2014		

Part 2: Learning and Teaching				
Learning Outcomes	 Use and organise coherently relevant ideas, perspectives or theories to interpret and/or explore related issues and in addition can critically analyse and/or evaluate those ideas, perspectives or theories showing the ability to synthesise and/or transform ideas in the process of developing an argument; (A & B) Reference an extensive range of relevant literature and utilize it in the development of analysis and discussion of ideas, including critical engagement with the literature; (B) Plan and execute a small scale enquiry in a systematic and reflexive manner, identifying and explaining methodological and epistemological issues around the research process and critically analysing and evaluating research outcomes; (B) Demonstrate an awareness of ethical issues arising in or associated with the relevant subject specialism, showing sensitive engagement with an appropriate ethical framework for interpretation of ideas or for practice. In addition, there is exploration of some of the problematics arising in relation to ethical dilemmas or decision; (B) Acquire a confident, informed and critical familiarity with significant issues of context and practice within management and organisations; (A & B) Demonstrate the significance for lifelong learning professionals of movements and polices aiming to promote inclusivity, equality, sustainability, social justice and the acknowledgement of diversity; (B) 			
Syllabus Outline	The following themes relate to LSIS common mandatory content for the Level 5 Diploma in Education and Training, and outcomes which represent the Department of Education's values around social justice and sustainability education: Wider Professional Practice and Subject Specialism Professionalism and professional values Dual professionalism The historical and changing social/political/economic context of education			

and training

- Contemporary issues in education and training
- Roles of external bodies and stakeholders in education and training
- Accountability of education and training organisations to external bodies and stakeholders
- Organisational policies, codes of practice and guidelines
- Quality assurance and quality improvement arrangements
- Professional recognition and continuing professional development through
 The FE Guild and IfL for teachers in the learning and skills sector
- Examine alternative employment opportunities (for example within ACL, WBL, Prison Education and Academies etc.) through external provider visits and guided study.
- Effectively scope future career trajectory

Management and Organisation

- The rights and responsibilities of the newly qualified teacher in the specialism and in the institution
- Relevant management theories, structures and quality assurance procedures within post compulsory education and training establishments, including their significance for the newly qualified teacher
- Current and historic contexts of systems of finance and governance in post compulsory education and training, including, for example, the role of government and the Learning and Skills Council

Research, scholarship and transferable skills

- Critical dimension of research with impact
- Ability to communicate effectively in different ways to a range of audiences
- Demonstrate ability to collect, manage and interpret data
- Ability to work collaboratively with others
- Ability to work effectively in a group to research and present information

Minimum Core

- Continue to critically evaluate own personal skills in language and literacy, numeracy and ICT and action plan strategies to maintain currency in this area after graduation
- Implementing a range of emerging technologies in own lesson own subject specialism
- Delivering employability skills

Contact Hours	This 30 credit module uses the co-requisite modules listed above, including Professional Practice placement, to co-deliver and embed aspects of the module learning outcomes Key Information Set – Module data Number of credit for this module: 30				
	Hours to be allocated	Scheduled learning and teaching study hours	Independent study hours	Placement study hours (including observation if teaching)	Allocated hours
	300	96	104	100	300
Teaching and Learning Methods	Scheduled learn technology-enhau	nced learning thro	ough online engag	gement and e-ma	·

includes independent study, including engaging with essential and further reading,

	working on personal subject knowledge, preparation for and completion of assignments. Trainees will be guided to approach a range of providers within the sector as part of their ongoing research into employment opportunities and networking (for example within ACL, WBL, Prison Education and Academies etc.)					
	Placement learning : Minimum of 50 hours teaching practice completed during this module.					
Reading Strategy	All trainees will be encouraged to make full use of the print and electronic resources, available to them through membership of the University. These include a range of electronic journals and a wide variety of resources available through web sites and information gateways; relating to learning theory, social educational policy and subject specialist knowledge. The University Library's web pages provide access to subject relevant resources and services, and to the library catalogue. Many resources can be accessed remotely. Trainees will be presented with an opportunity within the module to develop their information retrieval and evaluation skills in order to identify such resources effectively, led by the faculty library team.					
	All essential reading will be indicated clearly, along with the method for accessing it, e.g. trainees may be expected to purchase a set text, and will be referred to other texts held in the library and texts that are available electronically. Further guidance will be available in the module handbook and via the module information on UWE online.					
	Further reading is expected at M-level and trainees will be equipped with further strategies to support identifying appropriate reading for themselves. Additional support is available through the Library Services web pages including interactive tutorials on for example accessing electronic journal articles and referencing.					
Indicative Reading List	Atkinson, T. And Claxton, G. (Eds) (2000) The Intuitive Practitioner. Buckingham:OUP					
3 - 1	Bell, J (2010) Doing Your Research Project (4th Ed). London: Open University Press					
	BERA (2004) Revised Ethical Guidelines For Educational Research. Nottingham:BERA					
	Blaxter, L. Hughes, C. And Tight, M. (2001) <i>How To Research</i> (2 nd Ed) Maidenhead:OUP					
	Brookfield, S. D. (1995) <i>Becoming A Critically Reflective Teacher</i> . San Francisco: Jossey Bass.					
	Cohen, L., Manion, L. And Morriwon, K. (2011) Research Methods In Education (7th Ed) Routledge					
	Punch, K., (2009) Introduction To Research Methods In Education London:Sage					
	Crotty, M. (1998) The Foundations Of Social Research. London: Sage Publications.					
	Hall, L. And Marsh, K. (Eds.) (2005), <i>Professionalism, Policies And Values: A Reader</i> London: Greenwich University Press					
	Hillier, Y. (2003) <i>Empowering Researchers In Further Education</i> Stoke On Trent: Trentham					
	Martin, R., Villeneuve-Smith, F., Marshall, L. And Mckensie, E. (2008) <i>Employability Skills Explored</i> . London:LSN					
	Mcniff, J., Lomax, P. And Whitehead, J. (2003) You And Your Action Research Project (2nd Edn.) London: Routledgefalmer.					
	O'Leary, Z. (2007) Guide To Doing Research London:Sage					

Part 3: Assessment				
Assessment Strategy	Comp A for this module offers an opportunity to work in small groups to disseminate findings from a provider visit, the trainees have organised themselves. The completion of this task will necessitate negotiating with and facilitating a range of peer skills and motivations, which will serve as a positive example of their management capacity and team work in an interview scenario. In addition, this provides a further experience for the trainee to gain empathy for their own learners around the challenges these collaborative task can pose.			
	Comp B is a small-scale research enquiry based on a theme negotiated with the university tutor and linked to the trainee's individual action plan and/or the college/department improvement priorities. Tutorial support for this will be provided by the University Tutor in correspondence with the Curriculum Mentor.			

Identify final assessment component and element		Compone	nponent B		
% weighting between components A and B (Standard modules only)				B :	
First Sit					
Component A (controlled conditions) Description of each element			Element v	weighting	
Group presentation (equivalent to 2000 words)			P/	/F	
Component B Description of each element			Element v	weighting	
3500 word small-scale research enquiry			P,	/F	
Resit (further attendance at taught classes is no	t required)				
Component A (controlled conditions) Description of each element			Element v	weighting	
Group presentation (equivalent to 2000 words)			P	/F	
Component B Description of each element			Element v	weighting	
3500 word small-scale research enquiry			P,	/F	

If a student is permitted an **EXCEPTIONAL RETAKE** of the module the assessment will be that indicated by the Module Description at the time that retake commences.