

Module Specification

Contextual Inquiry

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Part 1: Information

Module title: Contextual Inquiry

Module code: UTLGXG-30-M

Level: Level 7

For implementation from: 2023-24

UWE credit rating: 30

ECTS credit rating: 15

College: College of Health, Science & Society

School: CHSS School of Education and Childhood

Partner institutions: None

Field: Secondary Education and Lifelong Learning

Module type: Module

Pre-requisites: None

Excluded combinations: None

Co-requisites: None

Continuing professional development: No

Professional, statutory or regulatory body requirements: None

Part 2: Description

Overview: This module supports students to explore the context, curriculum, theory, pedagogical approaches and practices of their own roles, and to reflect on and develop their understanding and competencies as practitioners.

Features: Not applicable

Educational aims: 1. Support students to critically evaluate theories underpinning a range of best practice pedagogical approaches used internationally including how

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these could inform practice in their professional context, age phases and academic

discipline/s.

2. Provide opportunities for students to critically engage with evidence-based

approaches to planning, teaching and assessing learner progress in their

professional context, age phases and academic discipline/s.

3. Provide students with the skills to evaluate the educational impact of their

pedagogic choices on all learners in their contexts and to identify appropriate further

professional development needs.

4. Support students to examine and analyse the curriculum used in their professional

context and how this is experienced by learners.

5. Support students to understand the policy, cultural and social contexts of learners'

lives in their own professional setting and how they might respond to these as

educators.

Outline syllabus: Their role/s and identity

Exploring their curriculum

Curriculum in context – across subjects

Wider context

Theories relating to subject/phase

Identifying own subject/teaching development needs, action planning and reflection

Subject/phase pedagogical approaches

Evaluating and promoting learner progress

Fact-finding from learners and learning communities

Part 3: Teaching and learning methods

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Teaching and learning methods: Teaching and learning methods will include a mix

of activities including recorded content, webinars, tutorials, readings, tasks and

activities alongside independent study and tutor support.

Students will work with a tutor to action plan according to their own needs and to

reflect on their activities and progress.

There is an expectation that students will link their academic studies to their

professional development and practice throughout.

Module Learning outcomes: On successful completion of this module students will

achieve the following learning outcomes.

MO1 Critically evaluate theories underpinning a range of best practice

pedagogical approaches used internationally and identify how these could inform

practice in their professional context, age phases and academic discipline/s.

MO2 Critically engage with evidence-based approaches to planning, teaching

and assessing learner progress in their professional context, age phases and

academic discipline/s.

MO3 Analyse the educational impact of pedagogical choices made in practice

and identify professional development needs emerging from this.

MO4 Examine and analyse the curriculum used in their professional context and

how this is experienced by learners.

MO5 Critically reflect on the policy, cultural and social contexts of learners' lives

in their own professional setting, and how they might respond to these as

educators.

Hours to be allocated: 300

Contact hours:

Independent study/self-guided study = 240 hours

Face-to-face learning = 60 hours

Total = 300

Reading list: The reading list for this module can be accessed at readinglists.uwe.ac.uk via the following link

https://rl.talis.com/3/uwe/lists/F6DFDE7A-128E-2F4C-DD72-

CE20B4BB4AEF.html?lang=en-GB&login=1

Part 4: Assessment

Assessment strategy: Portfolio to include:

Record of subject knowledge enhancement

Reflective account of activities within the module

Extended work relating to own context & identified needs & interests

Reference to themselves as agents/influencers of change

Assessment tasks:

Portfolio (First Sit)

Description: Portfolio (5000 words)

Weighting: 100 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO4, MO5

Portfolio (Resit)

Description: Portfolio (5000 words)

Weighting: 100 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO4, MO5

Part 5: Contributes towards

This module contributes towards the following programmes of study:

Post Graduate Certificate in Education International (Secondary) [Frenchay] PGCE 2023-24

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