

# Teaching and Learning in Higher Education PG Cert

This is a specifically designed work-based learning programme that takes place alongside, and complements, employment supporting HE student learning.

The three modules provide an opportunity for you to gain knowledge, understanding and capabilities in learning, teaching, assessment and academic practice, and will help you to develop clear professional values, understand teaching as facilitating learning and improve your practice in a reflective and theoretically informed way.

The programme will provide support in any educational problems you face, and increase your understanding of the learning process so you can make informed decisions about course design and teaching methods.

The courses will support your development as a skilled teacher, researcher and scholar, as well as encouraging your engagement with policy, strategy and quality considerations and enhancing your career management.

The Postgraduate Certificate in Learning and Teaching in Higher Education is designed specifically for HE lecturers, tutors and academics, those supporting HE in a FE setting, and anyone working in HE, whose role includes significant responsibility for supporting student learning.

## How to Apply

For all taught postgraduate and PG Cert programmes, please apply directly to University of Worcester. You can download an application form, or can contact the Admissions office on 01905 855111 / [pg-admissions@worc.ac.uk](mailto:pg-admissions@worc.ac.uk)

Please post your completed application form to:  
Admissions Office  
University Of Worcester  
Henwick Grove  
Worcester  
WR2 6AJ

Alternatively you can apply online for postgraduate programmes at University of Worcester via the [Prospects online directory](#) of postgraduate programmes. There is no fee for using the online application service.

When we receive your application form, your details will be passed to the Masters Programme Leader who will contact you to arrange an informal interview. You may include additional material, such as references, in support of your application or bring them with you to interview.

You can apply for postgraduate taught courses and PG Certs at any time, but preferably as early as possible before the start of the academic year, which begins in September.

## Study options

The programme is supported through a series of eight interactive study days.

It is also possible to go on from the PGCert to obtain a Masters in Higher Education by undertaking further modules with a HE focus or to complete a Masters in Education on the basis of generic modules within the Postgraduate Education Programme.

## Get in touch

**Admissions Office**  
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You will normally have the following:

A first or second-class Honours Degree

Current and ongoing experience of supporting the learning of HE students

Current experience, or anticipated experience during the period of the programme, of curriculum and assessment design at HE level

Prior experience is valued on the PGCert. Those course members who have the equivalent of three years' full-time experience in a related educational setting can claim accreditation of prior learning against a module towards the certificate.

## Modules

Completion of the PGCert meets level 2 of the UK Professional Standards for Teachers in HE. Completion of the first module of the programme, 'Supporting Student Learning', demonstrates attainment of level 1 of the Standards.

The PGCert is accredited by both the Staff and Educational Development Association (SEDA) and the Higher Education Academy. The certificate is accredited at Fellowship level with the HE Academy. The module 'Supporting Student Learning' provides Associate Fellowship with the HE Academy specifically for those for whom learning and teaching is a smaller part of their role in HE.

## Assessment

The programme is supported through a series of eight interactive study days. These offer the chance to experience and discuss a variety of learning activities. Regular lunchtime support sessions, e-learning materials, as well as peer, mentor and line manager support all feed into the learning of the programme. Each module is assessed by a portfolio based on your work facilitating learning in HE.

Each portfolio will demonstrate your engagement with the values of the programme and the specific learning outcomes of the module. The portfolios require a reflective commentary, linking examples of your developing practice, through critical reflection, to relevant theory and research. However, the majority of the material in the portfolio will be work you complete as a normal part of your teaching or learning support role.

## Academic department

Institute of Education

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Professor Chris Robertson, Head of Institute

## Employability

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