

Postgraduate Diploma in Education (Further Education) with English, ESOL and Literacy



Subject Area	Education & Teaching
Course Type	Higher Education
Study Level	Level 7
Delivery Mode	Full-time
Duration	1 Academic Year
Start Date	September 2026
Course Code	PFDL005

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Course Summary

The Diploma in Education (Further Education) with ESOL, English and Literacy is a recognised, advanced teaching qualification designed to equip you with the essential knowledge, values and skills to teach your subject specialism of English, ESOL or Literacy in the Further Education sector.

Available on a part-time and full-time basis, the programme will help you become a competent, confident and ambitious English, ESOL or Literacy teacher who can apply subject specialist knowledge and skills to promote language and literacy learning.

Course Benefits

The Diploma in Education (Further Education) with English, ESOL and Literacy delivers an ambitious, contemporary curriculum for trainee teachers in and around the Bradford area.

The course is delivered within the Margaret McMillan School of Education, in the heart of a thriving Further Education College and our team provide a supportive learning and teaching environment.

A learning mentor is provided to you throughout your time with us.

What You Will Learn

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The principal aims of the programme are to:

- Produce competent, confident and ambitious English, ESOL or Literacy teachers who can apply subject specialist knowledge and skills to promote language and literacy learning;
- Foster the development of values and skills associated with inclusive teaching and learning, aimed at facilitating individual progress and contributing to broader societal equity and justice in Bradford and West Yorkshire;
- Enable the critical evaluation of recent developments in educational research, professional body initiatives and government policy to ensure professional practice is evidence-based, engaging and contemporary;
- Equip trainees with the academic skills, attitudes and values necessary to cultivate a commitment to lifelong learning and Continuing Professional Development;
- Develop graduates who have an analytical and reflective approach to professional practice in which theory, academic understanding and pedagogy are inter-related and integrated through Masters level study.

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Modules

Semester 1

- Teaching, Learning and Assessment
- English, ESOL and Literacy Teaching and Learning
- Developing Professional Practice
- Designing and Developing the Curriculum

Semester 2

- Teaching, Learning and Assessment
- Theories of Learning
- Developing Professional Practice
- English, ESOL and Literacy Theories and Frameworks

Entry Requirements

Applicants should normally have achieved the following prior to registration for the programme:

Admissions criteria

- Honours degree. Candidates will normally be required to have at least a 2:2.
- Level 3+ subject relevant qualification.
- An eligible GCSE/Level 2 maths and English qualification or equivalency*
- Relevant experience/prior learning.
- Enhanced DBS and health check, successful interview including an assessment of their language awareness of grammar, vocabulary and phonology to assess readiness for teaching English, ESOL or Literacy.

*full list of eligible maths/English qualis: [Eligible maths and English qualifications | Society for Education and Training](#)

Progression

The Postgraduate Diploma in Education is recognised as a full teaching qualification for the FE sector and eligible for progression to QTLS – Qualified Teaching Learning and Skills. The QTLS is an optional post qualification professional recognition scheme run by the Society of Education and Training.

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