# Postgraduate Certificate in Education, Leadership & Management

Duration: 12 months | Delivery: Online | Start date: February 2024



The ability of a skilled leader in maximising the aspirations and achievements of students, and in creating a forward-thinking and fulfilling work environment for teachers and other staff cannot be overemphasized. At Liverpool Hope University, we have been a centre of excellence for the study of Education for decades, and our strong relationship with a wide variety of educational provision across the UK enables us to draw on the very best practices in order to develop your own skills in this area.

### Course Aims

- Develop a critical understanding of theoretical approaches to leadership, relevant to educational practice.
- Enhance knowledge and critical understanding of applied leadership and management in an education context.
- Provide knowledge and critical understanding of key theories and concepts within the field of change management, and of the role of leadership in providing strategic direction and in leading change.
- Develop a critical understanding of those factors which influence individual and collective behaviour/s within organisations.
- Enable students to make informed decisions by creatively and systematically applying the knowledge and understanding of key concepts and best practice.
- Support students' continuing personal and professional development so as to enable them to work as reflective practitioners with self-direction and originality, willing to take on a leadership role and contributing to the success of their own teams, organisations and their students.



# Participant Feedback

"[Both tutors] are both extremely approachable which makes students feel at ease. The communication between tutors and students is brilliant therefore I feel comfortable expressing my opinion and asking for support if needed. The sessions are interesting and engaging as well as providing much information about the topic to inform our assignments. The tutors go above and beyond to assist with queries. Moodle is updated on a regular basis with reading materials and information which is fantastic."

"Varied opportunities to study independently, reflect, come together and feedback. In our live Zoom sessions, I am encouraged to look through different perspectives or challenged to reflect on my own working practises."

"I am pleased with the way the Masters programme is taught. There is plenty of reading and resources on moodle and [my tutor] is always happy to help if needed. The use of the mini forum tasks has also been helpful, especially with the course being online. I have also booked support sessions to develop my writing skills further."

"The course leaders' enthusiasm for the module made me more engaged with the materials and I am now conscious of theories/concepts I did not consider before. The learning materials were useful and I have been able to apply them practically within my working environment."

## Module Overview

This Postgraduate Certificate (60 Level 7 Credits) comprises two x 30 credit modules:

- Education Leadership & Management I: Perspectives on Leadership (30 Credits).

  Recognising the challenges faced by those in leadership roles and the need to support the development of leadership competencies at all levels, this module explores leadership, with a specific focus on leadership within different education organisations. In particular, the module explores the nature of leadership and management through a number of different thematic 'lenses' and considers the role leaders play within improvement and change programmes.
- Education Leadership & Management II: Working Effectively with Others (30 Credits). This module takes as its focus the need for all those working within schools and other education institutions to develop positive and productive relationships with others. Leadership and management do not occur in a vacuum, and this module has been designed to develop both functional knowledge and critical understanding of a number of key perspectives on human behaviour within organisations and on the nature and processes of organising human activity. As such it is designed not only to encourage the development of solutions to specific leadership and management problems but also to provide participants with insights into the complex nature of organisations and of organisational life.

# Delivery

Both modules will be delivered on a part-time basis through fully online learning including:

- Access to Liverpool Hopes Virtual Learning Environment
- Online seminars via Zoom
- Online discussion forums
- Access to Liverpool Hope University's Electronic Library
- Guided Reading
- Assessment support via email and zoom

## **Dates and Duration**

Module 1: Education Leadership & Management II: Working Effectively with Others

Thursdays 6pm - 8.30pm from 5th February to 30th May 2024

**Module 2:** Education Leadership & Management I: Perspectives on Leadership

From Autumn 2024. Dates and Times TBC

Sessions will take place via Zoom.

#### **Assessment**

Assessment comprises a mix of formative tasks, critical reflection and case studies. Equivalent 6000 words per 30 credit module.

## Entry requirements

First Class or Upper Second Class Honours
 Degree in a relevant discipline (applications
 from participants who do not hold a 1st or
 2:1 Honours Degree (or equivalent), but have
 appropriate professional experience will be
 considered).

Due to the leadership specialism the expectation of the applicant will be that they have gained some leadership experience within an education or care setting. Normally they will be engaged in a leadership role at the time of starting on the programme but aspirational leaders will also be considered if they have the support to engage with leadership practice within their setting.

#### **International Entry Requirements**

For students whose first language is not English there is a language requirement of IELTS 6.5 overall with 6.0 minimum of all components.

In addition to this, we also accept a wide range of International Qualifications, for more information please visit:

www.hope.ac.uk/englishlanguagerequirements

# Progression

Successful participants may progress onto a full Masters. If you have obtained a PGCE in the last 10 years you may also be able to transfer in these credits towards a Masters.

#### Cost

Tuition fees for Home/EU students for 2023/24:

Full Rate: £1,733

Partner School Rate\*: £1,386 Graduate 600 Rate\*\*: £1,532

Group Discounts are also available, contact pld@hope.ac.uk for further details.

\*A Partner School is any school that has an Initial Teacher Education (ITE) partnership arrangement with Liverpool Hope University and who work with our students on providing school placements.

\*\* Graduate 600 rate is for LHU graduates who have obtained a 2.1 or 1st class degree within the last 3 years.

Tuition fees for International students for 2023/24:

Full cost - £4,167

## How to apply

To apply or for more information please contact:

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