Pastoral Care, Guidance and Pupil Support
PG Certificate/Diploma/MEd
Award Bearing Programme 2015/2016

Our general aim is to enable you to develop your knowledge and skills in the field of Support and Pastoral Care and this programme is offered to all those who work with young people. On successful completion you should have achieved a level of competence that would allow you to become a confident and effective professional in your workplace setting albeit as a classroom teacher or in a promoted pastoral support, faculty head or management post.

Options

Modules can be taken on a free standing basis. The majority of participants however, complete their programme with a PG Diploma in Pastoral Care, Guidance and Pupil Support (120 Credits). It will also be possible for students to exit at PG Certificate level (60 Credits) as long as one guidance based and one counselling based module has been taken.

A research based module is an additional requirement at Diploma level. It will then be open for you to proceed to study for a Masters Degree in Education.
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| Mentoring in Professional Contexts | 30 | Learning On-line | - Taking a person - centred counselling approach  
- Using counselling skills to support all aspects of mentoring |
| > Start Date 11 September 2015 | | Face to Face | |
| PSD Health and Wellbeing | 30 | Learning On-line | - Whole school, cross curricular and special focus approaches to PSD, Health and Wellbeing  
- Evaluation and audit for quality provision in the context of CfE, Happy Safe and Achieving their Potential and the Health and Wellbeing experiences and outcomes |
| > Start Date 22 January 2016 | | Blended Learning (mixture of both delivery styles) | |
| Critical Approaches to Academic Literature | 15 | Learning On-line | - Presenting reasoned argument based on critically evidence  
- Developing critical understanding of the principal theories and concepts  
- Analysing critically evidence and arguments to support professional judgments |
| > Start Date 18 January 2016 | | Face to Face | |
| Research Methods | 15 | Learning On-line | - Includes research philosophy and methodology, research implementation (design, methods, data collection and ethics), data analysis, interpretation, and reflective evaluation.  
- Small scale research, within individual workplace settings |
| > Start Date 18 January 2016 | | Blended Learning (mixture of both delivery styles) | |

* Modules will run depending on student numbers

## Please Note
Credit gained through successful completion of modules will also contribute to the compilation of a Masters degree within the Scottish Framework for Masters (SCQF) level 11.
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Assessment
Formative and summative tasks are designed to arise naturally from course work and relate directly to workplace applications. For summative assessment purposes participants are required to provide a body of evidence to support the development of practice. Outcomes allow for a variety of submission formats for which tutor support is available. The word count will reflect the credit value of the modules undertaken.

Funding
Permission should be secured from your Care and Support Line Manager or Head Teacher before application and funding sought from your CPD Co-ordinator or Local Authority. Alternatively you may self fund.

Module Fees
Please go to [http://www.abdn.ac.uk/infohub/finance/fee-rates.php](http://www.abdn.ac.uk/infohub/finance/fee-rates.php) and find the programme under Postgraduate Taught fees.

Delivery
Modules will mainly be delivered over a period of three months solely on-line with web conferencing as a requirement. Alternatively modules may be delivered face to face or by blended learning at the School of Education, University of Aberdeen. Participants will be informed of alternative venues where modules are delivered within Local Authorities.

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