EDUCATION STUDIES (WITH SCOTTISH TEACHING QUALIFICTION) (PgCert)

65X3EPVZ (Postgraduate Certificate in Education Studies 65X3ESVZ)

Duration: 9 months

Aims: This programme aims to engage learners in taking a critical overview of the Scottish Education system, current policy and curriculum drivers that impact on professional practice of teachers and to engage in developing a critical understanding of personal theories of learning that are employed in practice. The programme is only available as a part-time distance learning course and is restricted to teachers identified by the General Teaching Council for Scotland (GTCS) as requiring an academic upgrade qualification to meet the Standard for Full Registration (SFR). This programme is set in a work-based context.

All participants will study:

ED504P Developing Professional Practice for Teaching in Scotland (30 credit points) ED554P Developing Professional Practice to Enhance Learning (30 credit points) ED504V School-based Practice for PgCert Education Studies (with STQ) (0 credit points)

Those who do not complete the School-based Practice element would be eligible for the award of Postgraduate Certificate in Education Studies on successful completion of ED504P and ED554P.

Assessment: Formative and summative assessment is a feature of both courses. Assessments are designed to arise naturally from course content and learning. Assessment in both courses is seen as a developmental participant focused activity, enabling individuals to critically reflect on their practice and learning.