



**Professional Graduate Diploma in Education Secondary  
(PGDE Secondary)**

**Induction booklet**

**2022-2023**

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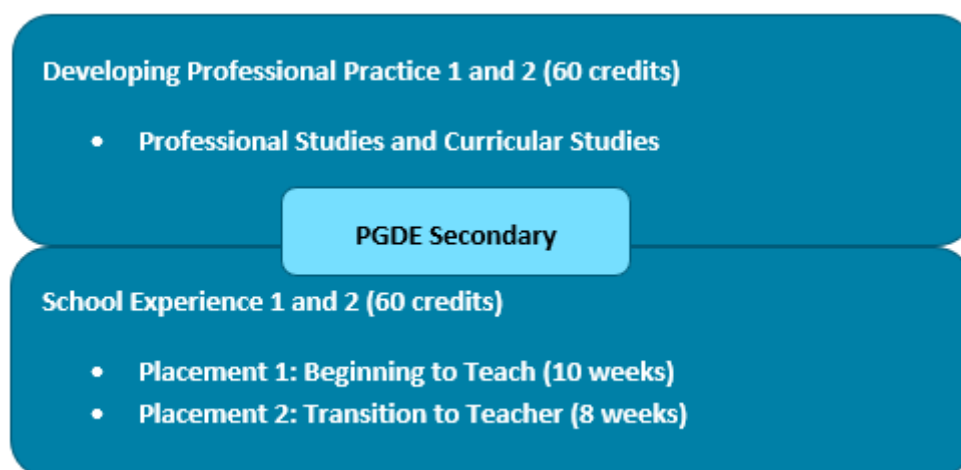
## 1 WELCOME

Congratulations on achieving a place on the Professional Graduate Diploma of Education (PGDE) Secondary Programme. The University of Aberdeen, School of Education and the PGDE Secondary tutor team are delighted to welcome you and look forward to working with and supporting you during your studies.

The purpose of this induction booklet is to enable you to access the first day of teaching (Tuesday 16 August 2022) and to plan for your first week and the year ahead, prior to commencing your studies with us. Further information will be provided when the programme starts via the welcome lecture, the Programme Handbook and the Programme team.

### 1.1 PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

The PGDE Secondary programme at Aberdeen aims to support student teachers as they embark on their professional journey of becoming an inclusive practitioner and facilitating the learning of all young people whilst developing a reflective, reflexive and enquiring disposition. The programme offers flexible collaborative learning (on campus and online) and supports the development of critically responsive practitioners.



Developing Professional Practice 1 and 2 form one 60 credit course (ED402R).

School Experience 1 and 2 form one 60 credit course (ED402Q).

### 1.2 ONLINE LEARNING

The programme will comprise both on-campus teaching and independent, asynchronous learning, which can be accessed and completed in your own time.

Online learning is presented in MyAberdeen which is the University of Aberdeen's Virtual Learning Environment. This is where you will find learning materials and resources associated with the courses you are studying. You can log in to MyAberdeen by going to [www.abdn.ac.uk/myaberdeen](http://www.abdn.ac.uk/myaberdeen) and entering your University username and password (which you use to access the University network).

## 2 PGDE SECONDARY TIMELINE

University week	Week beginning	Curricular Studies on-campus learning Tuesday (9.30am-4pm) except weeks 3&43 (see below)	Professional studies on-campus learning Wednesday 10am-12pm and 1-2pm, unless otherwise stated
2	08/08	PGDE Online Registration	
3	15/08	9.00am-10.30am lecture followed by Curricular Studies class	10am-12pm workshop; 1-2pm lecture; 2-3pm lecture
4	22/08	Curricular Studies class	10am-12pm workshop; 1-2pm lecture; 2-3pm lecture
5	29/08	Curricular Studies class	10am-12pm workshop; 1-2pm lecture; 2-3pm lecture
6	05/09	Curricular Studies class	10am-12pm workshop; 1-2pm lecture
7	12/09	Curricular Studies class	9am-10am workshop (optional); 10am-12pm workshop; 1-2pm lecture
8	19/09	SE Orientation	
9	26/09	SE Orientation	
10	03/10	Curricular Studies class	10am-12pm workshop; 1-2pm lecture
11	10/10	Curricular Studies class	No PS classes
12	17/10	Reading week 1	
13	24/10	Curricular Studies class	10am-12pm workshop; 1-2pm lecture
14	31/10	Curricular Studies class	9am-10am lecture; 10am-12pm workshop
15	7/11	SE 1A	
16	14/11	SE 1A	
17	21/11	SE 1A Tutor Visiting Weeks	
18	28/11	SE 1A Tutor Visiting Weeks	
19	05/12	SE 1A Tutor Visiting Weeks	
20	12/12	Curricular Studies Class	10am-12pm workshop; 1-2pm lecture
21	19/12	Holiday	
22	26/12	Holiday	
23	02/01	Holiday	
24	09/01	Curricular Studies	No PS classes; 1-2pm optional M Level lecture
25	16/01	SE 1B	
26	23/01	SE 1B	
27	30/01	SE 1B	
28	06/02	Reading Week 2	
29	13/02	Curricular Studies class	10am-12pm workshop; 1-2pm lecture; 2-3pm lecture
30	20/02	Curricular Studies class	No PS classes; 10am-12pm optional M Level workshop; 1-2pm optional M Level lecture
31	27/02	SE 2A	
32	06/03	SE 2A	
33	13/03	SE 2A Tutor Visiting Weeks	
34	20/03	SE 2A Tutor Visiting Weeks	
35	27/03	SE 2A Tutor Visiting Weeks	
36	03/04	Holiday	
37	10/04	Reading Week 3	
38	17/04	Curricular Studies class	10am-12pm workshop; 1-2pm lecture
39	24/04	SE 2B	
40	01/05	SE 2B	
41	08/05	SE 2B	
42	15/05	Curricular Studies class	No PS classes; 10am-12pm optional M Level workshop; 1-2pm optional M Level lecture
43	22/05	9am-4pm presentations; 4-5pm lecture	No PS classes; 10am-12pm optional M Level workshop; 1-2pm optional M Level lecture
44	29/05	No CS classes	No PS classes; 10am-12pm optional M Level workshop; 1-2pm optional M Level lecture
45	05/06	Resubmissions only	

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## 4 FIRST WEEK OF THE PROGRAMME (UNIVERSITY WEEK 3)

TUESDAY 16 AUGUST:

### 0900-1030 – Welcome Lecture

This session will be held in the **MacRobert Lecture Theatre**. This lecture theatre is in the MacRobert Building, which is on the corner of King Street and St Machar Drive. You can access more information about the location of the building using the [interactive campus map](#).

### 1100-1600 – Curricular Studies

You will have curricular studies for the rest of the day with your curricular tutor(s). Further information about your curricular studies rooms will be made available during the welcome lecture and on MyAberdeen.

WEDNESDAY 17 AUGUST:

**1000-1200:** Professional Studies workshop. Further information about your Professional Studies rooms will be made available during the welcome lecture and on MyAberdeen.

**1300-1400 and 1400-1500:** Professional Studies Lectures. Further information about your Professional Studies lecture theatre(s) will be made available during the welcome lecture and on MyAberdeen.

## 5 PROGRAMME CORE TEXTBOOK AND RECOMMENDED READING

The following textbook is the **core reader** for PGDE Secondary and you may wish to purchase this. It will be used in both Professional Studies and Curricular Studies and will also support your learning during School Experience.

**CAPEL, S., LEASK, M. and YOUNIE, S. (2019).** *Learning To Teach In The Secondary School: A companion to school experience*. 8<sup>th</sup> Edition. London: Routledge, Taylor & Francis Group.


This text is available in the Blackwells store, on campus and online. It is also available electronically through the library.

Two other texts are **recommended**:

**BRYCE, T. G. K. et al. (2018).** *Scottish Education*. 5<sup>th</sup> edition. Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press.

**POLLARD, A. (2018).** *Reflective Teaching in Schools*. 5<sup>th</sup> edition. London: Bloomsbury Academic.

Both are available electronically through the library. You can access these by clicking on the 'Books and Tools' option in the menu on the left-hand side of the MyAberdeen page:

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All other reading will be given or recommended in Professional Studies and Curricular Studies.