

UNIVERSITY OF ESSEX

PROGRAMME SPECIFICATION UNIVERSITY TEMPLATE

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SECTION A

Awarding Body/Institution	University of Essex
Teaching Institution	Tavistock & Portman NHS Foundation Trust
Professional accreditation by	N/A
Final Award	Masters Degree
NQF Level of Qualification	-
Full / Part Time	Part-time
Course Title	Masters in Working in Education: A Psychoanalytic Observational Approach
QAA Benchmark Group	Counselling & Psychotherapy
2nd QAA Benchmark Group	-
3rd QAA Benchmark Group for Joint Schemes	-
JACS Code	-
Revision Date	-
Admissions Criteria – onto the PG Certificate/PG Diploma	<p>Students will have at least one year of prior experience (paid or voluntary) directly working with children and/or adolescents and/or families in an education setting.</p> <p>Students will need to demonstrate an interest in, and aptitude for, learning about emotional development, observation and psychoanalytic thinking.</p> <p>Students will be currently working in an education setting and directly involved with pupils or students, for a minimum of one to two days a week, and will be committed to continuing to work in an education setting for the duration of the course.</p> <p>Students will have a first degree, or the equivalent, or be able to demonstrate that they can meet the academic demands of the course.</p> <p>Students will have to provide two references, one from an employer who can give an account of the candidate's work in an education setting.</p> <p>After successful interview, candidates will need to complete a satisfactory Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check that is undertaken by the Trust.</p> <p>In the case of applicants whose first language is not English, then the normal requirement for postgraduate courses is</p>

Admissions Criteria – Master’s Degree	<p>IELTS 6.5 (minimum 6.0 in each component) TOEFL IBT 91+ (min. 18 in each component). International qualifications will be checked for appropriate matriculation to UK Higher Education postgraduate courses.</p> <p>To enrol on the Masters dissertation module, students will have successfully completed Years One and Two of the programme (P.G. Cert. and P.G. Dip.).</p>
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SECTION B

<p>Course Aims (to be completed by department)</p> <p>To develop advanced awareness and understanding of the learning/teaching relationship and the complex inter-relationship between external and internal factors affecting human development, within an introductory psychoanalytic framework.</p> <p>To develop an advanced understanding of the emotional and psychological difficulties typically faced by pupils and students of different ages by making critical use of an applied psychoanalytic framework that acknowledges the role of bio-social factors in development.</p> <p>To develop an advanced understanding of the role of the observer and be able to use observational experience to make use of a self-reflective stance in active working relationships within education settings.</p> <p>To develop an understanding and critical awareness of the unconscious dynamics that impact on working relationships, groups and networks within education settings and their wider institutional contexts.</p> <p>To introduce students to psychoanalytic literature and psychoanalytic child psychotherapy literature and its applications to working in education.</p> <p>To consider the diversity of human experience and be able to critically reflect upon the impact of sameness/difference in working life.</p> <p>To develop the capacity to critically engage with primary texts in psychoanalytic literature and psychoanalytic child psychotherapy literature and make meaningful applications to working role in education.</p> <p>To develop a hypotheses and make links on particular themes, issues or preoccupations which have arisen during the course.</p> <p>To facilitate learning in conducting literature searches.</p> <p>To extend skills in writing a literature review and critically evaluating relevant literature.</p> <p>Develop a greater capacity for independent study in order to complete a Masters level dissertation.</p>
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Course Outcomes (to be completed by department)	
A. KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING	
Learning methods Lectures Group discussion in small and large group seminars Student's Institutional Observation (10 weeks) Working in Teams and Networks Student's Young Child Observation (min. 20 weeks) Experiential Group or Experiential Event Tutorials Independent study and assignment preparation Dissertation seminars Dissertation supervision Library workshop – conducting a literature search Independent study	Assessment methods Assignments Seminar observation and feedback Tutorial observation and feedback Dissertation seminar feedback Dissertation proposal feedback Dissertation
Learning Outcomes <p>A1 An advanced awareness and understanding of key psychoanalytic ideas relevant to working in education, as encountered in selected psychoanalytic and child psychotherapy texts.</p> <p>A2 Knowledge of key psychoanalytic ideas relating to unconscious processes in organisations.</p> <p>A3 An advanced awareness and understanding of the processes of working in groups and networks within education, and factors that may interfere with this.</p> <p>A4 An advanced understanding of the processes of young child healthy development and the processes at play in a nursery setting.</p> <p>A5 A developed understanding of the student's own contribution to unconscious processes in a group setting.</p> <p>A6 To be able to develop a hypothesis and make links on particular themes, issues or preoccupations that arise for the student during the first two years of the course.</p> <p>A7 To know how to carry out advanced literature searches.</p> <p>A8 To be able to write a literature review and critically evaluate relevant literature.</p>	

B. INTELLECTUAL/COGNITIVE SKILLS	
<p>Learning methods</p> <p>Lectures Group discussion in small and large group seminars Student's Institutional Observation Working in Teams and Networks Student's Young Child Observation Experiential Group Tutorials Private study and assignment preparation Dissertation seminars Dissertation supervision Independent study</p>	<p>Assessment methods</p> <p>Assignments Seminar observation and feedback Tutorial observation and feedback Dissertation seminar feedback Dissertation proposal feedback Dissertation</p>
<p>Learning Outcomes</p> <p>B1 The advanced ability to integrate psychoanalytic theory and experience in a work role or setting not based in psychoanalytic clinical practice.</p> <p>B2 The advanced ability to apply theoretical learning to Young Child observations, and to use observational experience to make use of a self-reflective stance in working relationships within education.</p> <p>B3 A developed understanding of the way group and institutional dynamics manifest themselves in the student's education work setting, and the student's own role within these dynamics.</p> <p>B4 The advanced ability to consider sensitively the diversity of human experience and be able to reflect upon the impact of sameness/difference in working relationships and in the life of the observed and the observer.</p> <p>B5 The advanced ability to think independently and to collaborate in complex networks working under pressure, using an understanding of an applied psychoanalytic framework.</p> <p>B6 To be able to critically appraise the literature referenced in the dissertation.</p> <p>B7 To have developed a greater capacity for independent study.</p>	

C. PRACTICAL SKILLS	
<p>Learning methods</p> <p>Work discussion small group seminars Student's Institutional Observation Working in Teams and Networks Student's Young Child Observation Observation Seminar Experiential Group Tutorials Dissertation seminars Dissertation supervision Independent study</p>	<p>Assessment methods</p> <p>Assignments Seminar observation and feedback Tutorial observation and feedback Dissertation seminar feedback Dissertation proposal feedback Dissertation</p>
<p>Learning Outcomes</p> <p>C1 The advanced ability to take up and maintain an observational stance as distinct from active participation.</p> <p>C2 An advanced ability to record an observation in detail and with sensitivity, whether in an observer role or in making self-reflective observations in work interactions in education settings.</p> <p>C3 A developed ability to generate learning from experience in small group seminars by engaging actively and openly with the presentations of other students.</p> <p>C4 The skilled capacity to reflect on the individual's functioning in a group setting.</p> <p>C5 To be able to write academic papers at post graduate level.</p> <p>C6 The skilled ability to integrate learning from different modules of the course.</p> <p>C7 To be able to produce a coherent hypothesis linked with relevant evidence in a well-structured & clearly written format.</p> <p>C8 To be able to write a dissertation at Masters degree level.</p>	

D. KEY SKILLS	
<p>Learning methods</p> <p>Lectures Group discussion in small and large group seminars Tutorials Private study and assignment preparation Dissertation seminars Dissertation supervision Library workshop – conducting a literature search Independent study</p>	<p>Assessment methods</p> <p>Assignments Seminar observation and feedback Tutorial observation and feedback Dissertation seminar feedback Dissertation proposal feedback Dissertation</p>
Learning Outcomes	
D1 Communication	To be able to communicate effectively, in written form, complex ideas about unconscious processes.
D2 Information Technology	To be able to use Information Technology to carry out a literature search and access literature relevant for writing the dissertation.
D3 Numeracy	Where relevant, to be cognisant of the numerical component involved in the design of research papers encountered.
D4 Problem solving	To be able to apply psychoanalytic thinking to a range of observations/work discussion material relevant to the writing of the dissertation.
D5 Working with others	To be able to work effectively with others as a participant member of seminar groups.
D6 Improving own learning and performance	To be able to use feedback from the dissertation seminars, proposal and supervision to develop thinking and writing of the dissertation. To work independently to the submission date.

SECTION C

Course Structure

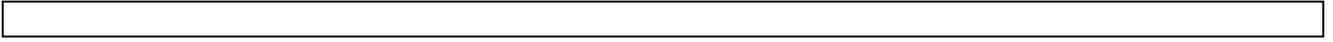
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Year 1 – PG Certificate					
Component No.	Compulsory/ Core	FULL Module Code	Module Title	NQF Level	Component Credits
Module one	Compulsory	D1 (1)	Institutional Observation 1	-	20
Module two	Compulsory	D1 (2)	Work Discussion 1	-	20
Module three	Compulsory	D1 (3)	<u>Strand one</u> Theoretical Perspectives <u>Strand two</u> Applying a psychoanalytic framework to working life	-	20

Year 2 – PG Diploma					
Component No.	Compulsory/ Core	FULL Module Code	Module Title	NQF Level	Component Credits
Module four	Compulsory	D1 (4)	<u>Strand one</u> Working with Teams and Networks <u>Strand two</u> Psychoanalytic Theory	-	20
Module five	Core	D1 (5)	<u>Strand one</u> Work Discussion 2 <u>Strand two</u> Experiential Group	-	20
Module six	Compulsory	D1 (6)	Young Child Observation		20

Year 3 – Master’s Degree					
Component No.	Compulsory/ Core	FULL Module Code	Module Title	NQF Level	Component Credits
Module seven	Core	D1 (7)	Dissertation	-	60

Additional Notes on Module Choices (if applicable)
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SECTION D

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Rules of assessment

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