Master in Education

Welcome & Induction - 2022 / 2023

Friday 9th September, 2022
School of Education, Trinity College Dublin
M.Ed. Objectives

On completion of M.Ed. programme, you should be able to demonstrate:

- Critical awareness of current problems and new developments in education;
- Practical expertise in relevant educational areas;
- Demonstrate the ability to apply knowledge, critical awareness, and problem solving within your field of study;
- Effectively communicate the results of your research.
# Strands and Strand Leaders

*Not all strands may run in every academic year*

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M.Ed. Structure

• **Structure** - 90 ECTS (1 x ECT = 20 hours of student effort):
  - Four strand specific modules (1 x 10 ECTS, 3 x 15 ECTS);
  - One “common” *Academic Literacy and Research Methods* module (5 ECTS);

• **Routes:**
  - One-year full-time;
  - Two-year part-time;
  - Three-year part-time.
M.Ed. Assignments

• The 3 strand specific modules that are each 15 ECTS:
  – Assignments will be 4,000 - 5,000 words, or equivalent.

• The 1 strand module that is 10 ECTS:
  – The assignment will be 2,500 - 3,500 words, or equivalent.

• The Academic Literacy and Research Methods module that is 5 ECTS:
  – The assignment will be 1,500 - 2,000 words, or equivalent.
M.Ed. Assignments

- The Dissertation module that is 30 ECTS:
  - 20,000 word dissertation (including appendices; excluding references).

- Progressing to the Dissertation module requires a minimum of a “Pass” grade in each course module (i.e., all strand specific modules and the Academic Literacy and Research Methods module).
M.Ed. Assignments

- Variety of approaches / assessments (e.g., Universal Design for Learning: UDL);

- Guidelines for writing assessments (e.g., ALRM module, M.Ed. Handbook);

- Criteria for writing / referencing (e.g., ALRM module, M.Ed. Handbook);

- Support for academic writing in English.
Strand Modules

• Details regarding strands and strand modules are available on the School of Education website: https://www.tcd.ie/education/courses/postgraduate/masters-in-education/

• M.Ed. Handbook - will be available on the M.Ed. section of the School of Education website.

• Each strand has its own designated modules.

• The Academic Literacy and Research Methods (ALRM) module and the Dissertation Support Sessions will be presented in a hyflex teaching approach (i.e., simultaneously face-to-face in College and online).
Assignment Submissions

• All assignments submitted to relevant module on Blackboard.

• Feedback / “provisional” grade within 6 weeks of submission.

• Grades subject to Court of Examiners.

• All requests for extensions, “off-books” status, etc. must be made to the M.Ed. Co-ordinator (see Handbook).
Referencing & Plagiarism


• Plagiarism and avoiding plagiarism - “Ready Steady Write” (https://www.tcd.ie/library/support/plagiarism/story_html5.html)

http://tcd-ie.libguides.com/plagiarism

http://tcd-ie.libguides.com/plagiarism/levels-and-consequences
Key Dates: 2022 / 2023

Michaelmas Term:
– Monday 12th September until Friday 2nd December.
– Reading Week: Monday 24th October until Friday 28th October.

Hilary Term:
– Monday 23rd January until Friday 14th April.
– Reading Week: Monday 6th March until Friday 10th March.
Useful Links

- TCD School of Education: [https://www.tcd.ie/Education/](https://www.tcd.ie/Education/)

- TCD Student email: [http://myzone.tcd.ie](http://myzone.tcd.ie)

- TCD Library: [http://www.tcd.ie/Library/](http://www.tcd.ie/Library/)


- Blackboard: [https://tcd.blackboard.com/](https://tcd.blackboard.com/)

- IT Services Support: [https://www.tcd.ie/itservices/](https://www.tcd.ie/itservices/)
M.Ed. Office

- Support you through your time here at Trinity College.
- No query is ever too small. We are here to help.
- Point you in the right direction if we are unable to help.
- Contact us at MASTERED@tcd.ie
- Use your TCD emails for all official correspondence, signing off with your registered name.
- **Always quote your student number !!!**
- Best of Luck and Enjoy your Studies : )
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Postgraduate Supports for Students with Disabilities

https://www.tcd.ie/disability/current/Postgrad.php

Disability Service
Support for PG Students with Disabilities

- Postgraduate students (both taught and research) who have a disability are encouraged to apply to the Disability Service for reasonable accommodation.

- Supports for postgraduate students include:
  - Academic support;
  - Assistive technology;
  - Occupational Therapy;
  - Support on placements and internships;
  - Preparation for viva voce examinations.
How to Get Support from the Disability Service

• An application can be made through my.tcd.ie via the “My Disability Service” tab.

• Additional information is available in a step-by-step How to apply for Reasonable Accommodations guide.

• Any postgraduate student in Trinity (or prospective student) is welcome to contact the Disability Service to informally discuss their needs prior to making a formal application.

• Please email askds@tcd.ie or visit the Disability Service Contact page.
  – https://www.tcd.ie/disability/contact/
  – https://www.tcd.ie/disability/current/Postgrad.php
International Students
School of Education International Student Meet-ups
@The Global Room

Dr Erika Piazzoli
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New2Dublin
• Programme on Monday evenings.
• Several weeks at the start of Term.
• Organised by the Global Room.

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NiteLine Student Listening Service

- NiteLine is an anonymous and confidential student listening service.
- Supporting you if you are experiencing mental health problems.
- NiteLine is a non-profit service provided free of charge to students which has been in operation for 25 years.
- Run by a team of dedicated student volunteers who have undergone rigorous training with the intention of supporting our peers.
- Open every single night of term from 9pm - 2.30am, supporting students through instant messaging and over the phone, some who are at risk of dropping out of university and others who are contemplating taking their own lives.
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Watch this 3 YouTube minute video to learn more about NiteLine:

https://youtu.be/ccmj-CjzZcU