The Professional Education and Training MA will develop the skills and knowledge needed to operate, manage and lead effectively in a role responsible for enhancing expertise and performance in the public or private sector, in professions such as accountancy, law or professional services, as well as adult, community, further, higher and professional education, or in work-based training and human resource development.

Degree summary

This programme will give students critical insight into a range of theories, perspectives and approaches for studying policies and practices in professional education and training and how they might apply these in their workplace. It will develop understanding of conceptual and analytical frameworks in professional education and training and how they can be used to develop expertise.

The Department of Education, Practice & Society is a multidisciplinary department at UCL Institute of Education (IOE) bringing together a diverse community of researchers with expertise in the social sciences who have a common interest in exploring learning in all its settings (formal, non-formal and informal).

The department has extensive expertise and experience in research, knowledge transfer and consultancy in the UK, Europe and Asia, working closely with transnational bodies, such as, the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development, government departments (Department for Education, Department for Business, Innovation & Skills) as well as with regional organisations, employer organisations, national institutes, and international organisations.

Teaching is delivered both face-to-face and online and includes lectures, plenary discussion/question and answer sessions, small group work and tutorials. In addition, online students use whiteboard, audio channel, text chat, polling, discussion groups, desktop sharing and breakout rooms. Assessment is by written assignments, portfolio and a dissertation or report.

Degree structure

Mode: Full-time: 1 year; Part-time: 2 years; Flexible: up to 5 years
Location: London, Bloomsbury
Flexible students will usually attend one evening per week. Students studying via distance learning will need to engage in activities once or twice each week.

Students undertake modules to the value of 180 credits. The programme consists of two core modules (60 credits), and either two optional modules (60 credits), and a dissertation (60 credits), or three optional modules (90 credits) and a report (30 credits).

A Postgraduate Diploma, two core modules (60 credits), two optional modules (60 credits), full-time nine months or flexible study up to five years, is offered.

A Postgraduate Certificate, one core module (30 credits) and one optional module (30 credits) or two core modules (60 credits) flexible study over a period of up to two years.

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Your career

This is a new MA programme. Graduates of similar programmes in this area are currently working in a variety of sectors. Some are working as lecturers in FE, adult and community learning and higher education institutions, while others have jobs as human resources managers or consultants. Graduates in this area can also be found working as academic standards and quality managers and team leaders in adult education.

Employability

This programme enables students to acquire the knowledge, skills and confidence to operate effectively and creatively in diverse and changing institutions and organisations. Students are supported to relate personal and professional concerns to debates and issues about the changing interface between professional education and training in wider organisational contexts.
Entry requirements

A minimum of a second-class Bachelor’s degree from a UK university or an overseas qualification of an equivalent standard and relevant professional experience is required.

English language proficiency level

If your education has not been conducted in the English language, you will be expected to demonstrate evidence of an adequate level of English proficiency.

The level of English language proficiency for this programme is: Good.

Information about the evidence required, acceptable qualifications and test providers is provided at: www.ucl.ac.uk/graduate/english-requirements

Your application

Students are advised to apply as early as possible due to competition for places. Those applying for scholarship funding (particularly overseas applicants) should take note of application deadlines.

When we assess your application we would like to learn:

// why you want to study Professional Education and Training at graduate level
// why you want to study Professional Education and Training at UCL
// what particularly attracts you to the chosen programme
// how your academic and professional background meets the demands of this challenging programme
// where you would like to go professionally with your degree

Together with essential academic requirements, the personal statement is your opportunity to illustrate whether your reasons for applying to this programme match what the programme will deliver.

FEES AND FUNDING 2017/18 ENTRY

// UK: £7,925 (FT)
// EU: £7,925 (FT)
// Overseas: £17,190 (FT)

The tuition fees shown are for the year indicated above. Fees for subsequent years may increase or otherwise vary. Further information on fee status, fee increases and the fee schedule can be viewed on the UCL Current Students website.

Full details of funding opportunities can be found on the UCL Scholarships website: www.ucl.ac.uk/scholarships

APPLICATION DEADLINE

All applicants: 28 July 2017

Details on how to apply are available on the website at: www.ucl.ac.uk/graduate/apply

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EU referendum

For up-to-date information relating to specific key questions following the UK’s decision to leave the EU, please refer to www.ucl.ac.uk/eu-referendum

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