



MA Educational Leadership in Practice (Blended)

Our new Educational Leadership in Practice Master's course has been designed in a flexible format, allowing you to balance your existing commitments with studying a Postgraduate qualification. As a student, you'll be studying with international Educational Leadership experts and global leaders in the delivery of Educational Leadership with over 22 years' of international teaching and research experience.

You'll also have the opportunity to build your network with peers and academics who teach the online course at conferences held twice a year at one of our International Centres.

This course is a great opportunity for educators who are looking to step into management, or more senior level role, including a leadership role. You will be able to use your critical experience gained on the course, working on real-world projects, in your workplace.

Find out more about MA Educational Leadership in Practice (Blended Learning).

2 intakes

February and September

2-5

years part-time MA

6th

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Flexible format
Transform your
career while you
continue working

WHAT YOU WILL STUDY

You can expect to study units covering topics such as:

MODELS OF EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP

- Explore conceptual educational leadership practice as adjectival models
- Examine what this means in a diverse international context
- Examine and evaluate a range of key models

LEADING EDUCATIONAL CHANGE

- Examining what is meant by 'change'
- Counter-productive and productive motivators for and mechanisms for change
- Critical perspective on leading change

ENGAGING WITH EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP

- What is educational leadership?
- What topics can be researched in education
- Why should research in education be taken seriously

EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP POLICY

- What is policy and how is it 'done'?
- Policy architecture
- Welfarism, social democracy and neoliberalism as policy architecture

EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP AS SOCIAL PRACTICE

- Educational leadership practice in a globalising education system
- Getting and doing the job
- Using research evidence

ACCREDITATION OF APPLIED LEARNING/INDEPENDENT SUPERVISED STUDY

- Research skills suite
- Project (30 credits)

YOUR COURSE DIRECTOR **Dr. Alexander Gardner-McTaggart**



"We at the Manchester Institute of Education believe in educators as powerful influencers and important voices in a rapidly globalising world. It is our intention to empower educational leaders to face tough challenges in globalising educational spaces with compassion and competency.

Balancing rigid external realities with the values of education is more important now than ever. Building capacity and positive teams and sharing in leadership and fostering growth are all part of the privilege of leading in education.

In a world of online connection, it is often difficult to build networks and professional practice that is enduring and authentic. That is why this blended course focuses on developing your professional leadership practice, from and for education. This course has the advantage of being run by leadership specialists who mentor and foster leadership behaviours and skills, as well as developing a rich critical understanding of the field. In this way, this course is truly empowering for leaders who wish to engage at higher levels, whilst running a complex organisation based upon respect and dignity. This is because it stimulates your own intellectual development, and understanding of educational leadership in the rapidly evolving edusphere of the 21st Century.

The course offers unique face-to-face conferences twice a year, where team-building, networking and mentoring happen in real time."

The course understands the needs of working professionals, and complements this face to face aspect with an attractive digital environment allowing you to structure your study and work around your professional and family commitments.


This blended approach allows for the best of both worlds, offering you a degree that delivers some of the face to face experience of being on campus, with the flexibility to work at a distance and in your own time. This course will develop you as a leader and colleague for your educational organisation using the combination of academic knowledge you will learn on the course, the network of educational leadership experts teaching the course and those peers who you will network with online and at the two conferences held in Manchester twice a year.

This course will be particularly interesting for participants who want more than an online masters, but still need the flexibility of a blended platform.

This course is designed to give graduates the critical edge to be competent, convincing, and empowered educational leaders."

NEXT STEPS

Please contact us to find out more or arrange a personal consultation with an academic on the course.

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