

Course Information Sheet for entry in 2021-22: MSc in Learning and Teaching



About the course

This is a professional development course for qualified teachers who are currently working in schools or similar educational settings. It focuses on developing your pedagogical practice in schools and classrooms, through engagement with and in research.

The course is part-time, intended for teachers, in both primary and secondary schools, and including school leaders, who are interested in developing a research-informed approach to their existing practice. It focuses on the processes of learning and teaching, and is rooted in your own practice in school (or a similar educational setting); it is not possible to enrol if you are not currently working in a school (or similar setting). The course involves attending teaching weekends (held on Friday afternoons and Saturdays), and carrying out investigations in school, which are supported by set readings.

There are two parts overall. In Part One, attendance is required at five intensive two-day residential courses in Oxford; supervision will mainly be offered within small subject-specific support groups, and from a University supervisor with expertise in a particular subject. In Part Two, you will largely work with a specialist supervisor on your own project.

Throughout the course there is a strong emphasis on collaboration within your school and across the course. The University's Virtual Learning Environment is used to support the school-based tasks and sustain critical discussion with peers. In addition to attendance at the seminars, all students are expected to engage in online activities, reporting and reflecting on their reading and school-based investigations.

Assessment

Assessment is through one formally submitted assignment of 8-10,000 words (or equivalent) at the end of Part One, drawing on the content of the units studied. In Part Two you will be required to complete a research and development project of 15-20,000 words (or equivalent), which involves implementing a new strategy and reviewing its progress, while working with colleagues.

Supervision

The allocation of graduate supervision for this course is the responsibility of the Department of Education and it is not always possible to accommodate the preferences of incoming graduate students to work with a particular member of staff. Under exceptional circumstances a supervisor may be found outside the Department of Education.

Changes to courses

The University will seek to deliver this course in accordance with the description set out above. However, there may be situations in which it is desirable or necessary for the University to make changes in course provision, either before or after registration. These may include significant changes made necessary by a pandemic (including Covid-19), epidemic or local health emergency. For further information, please see the University's Terms and Conditions (<http://www.graduate.ox.ac.uk/terms>) and our page on changes to courses (<http://www.graduate.ox.ac.uk/coursechanges>).

Expected length of course

	Part Time Only
Expected length	2 years

Costs

Annual fees for entry in 2021-22

Fee status	Annual Course fees
Home (UK, Republic of Ireland, Channel Islands & Isle of Man)	£6,035
Overseas (including EU)	£12,953

Course fees are payable each year, for the duration of your fee liability (your fee liability is the length of time for which you are required to pay course fees). For courses lasting longer than one year, please be aware that fees will usually increase annually. Information about how much fees and other costs may increase is set out in the University's Terms and Conditions.

Course fees cover your teaching as well as other academic services and facilities provided to support your studies. Unless specified in the additional cost information (below), course fees do not cover your accommodation, residential costs or other living costs. They also don't cover any additional costs and charges that are outlined in the additional cost information.

Additional cost information

One overnight stay may be required on the Friday of each of the seminar weekends. There will be five weekend seminars in the first year and two weekend seminars in the second year. The department estimates that accommodation will cost from about £70 per night in a college, bed & breakfast or hotel room (single rate). Students should also factor in costs for an evening meal."

Living costs

In addition to your course fees, you will need to ensure that you have adequate funds to support your living costs for the duration of your course.

If you are studying part-time your living costs may vary depending on your personal circumstances but you must still ensure that you will have sufficient funding to meet these costs for the duration of your course.

The likely living costs for 2021-22 are published below. These costs are based on a single, full-time graduate student, with no dependants, living in Oxford. We provide the cost per month so you can multiply up by the number of months you expect to live in Oxford.

Likely living costs for 2021-22

	Likely living costs for 1 month		Likely living costs for 9 months		Likely living costs for 12 months	
	Lower range	Upper range	Lower range	Upper range	Lower range	Upper range
Food	£280	£400	£2,520	£3,600	£3,360	£4,800
Accommodation	£655	£790	£5,895	£7,110	£7,860	£9,480
Personal items	£130	£250	£1,170	£2,250	£1,560	£3,000
Social activities	£45	£115	£405	£1,035	£540	£1,380
Study costs	£45	£100	£405	£900	£540	£1,200
Other	£20	£55	£180	£495	£240	£660
Total	£1,175	£1,710	£10,575	£15,390	£14,100	£20,520

When planning your finances for any future years of study at Oxford beyond 2021-22, you should allow for an estimated increase in living expenses of 3% each year.

More information about how these figures have been calculated is available at www.graduate.ox.ac.uk/livingcosts.

Document accessibility

If you require an accessible version of the document please contact Graduate Admissions and Recruitment by email (graduate.admissions@admin.ox.ac.uk) or via the online form (<http://www.graduate.ox.ac.uk/ask>).