

1. Programme Title(s):

Postgraduate Certificate in Learning Technologies

2. Awarding body or institution:

University of Leicester

3. a) Mode of study

Part-time

b) Type of study

Distance Learning

4. Registration periods:

The normal period of registration is one year;

The maximum period of registration is two years.

5. Typical entry requirements:

First degree (usually 1st, 2:1 or 2:2),

The certificate is open to graduates who are working in an educational setting in either a paid or voluntary position.

Students must be native speakers of English, or have English Language qualifications to Level 6.5 IELTS (with a minimum of 6 on any of the four skills), or equivalent.

6. Accreditation of prior learning:

No accreditation of prior learning can be accepted on this standalone PG Certificate course.

7. Programme aims:

The programme aims to enable students to demonstrate that they can:

- critique different e-pedagogies
- evaluate a range of technologies and discuss their implications for learning
- demonstrate skills in searching for , critical analysis of and collation of academic resources
- critique the use of technologies in a variety of learning contexts
- conceptualise the learning design process from different perspectives
- apply a range of learning design resources, tools and methods to a learning intervention
- critique a range of pedagogical approaches using a learning design perspective and the role played by different technologies in supporting these
- review and debate the theoretical underpinnings of learning design
- construct an innovative storyboard, learning activities and a structure for applying it in a real learning context

8. Reference points used to inform the programme specification:

Where appropriate, course options will take account of the National Curriculum for the country and age group of children or young people with whom students are working.

QAA Masters Degree Characteristics

http://www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Documents/MastersDegreeCharacteri stics.pdf

University of Leicester Learning and Teaching Strategy http://www2.le.ac.uk/offices/sas2/quality/learnteach

University of Leicester Examining Code of Practice http://www2.le.ac.uk/offices/sas2/quality/codes/documents/examining-code.pdf/view

University of Leicester Code of Practice on Distance Learning http://www2.le.ac.uk/offices/sas2/quality/codes/documents/distancelearning.pdf/view

Guidelines on the University's personal tutor system

http://www2.le.ac.uk/offices/sas2/quality/documents/personal-tutor-system.pdf

9. Programme Outcomes:

Intended Learning Outcomes	Teaching and Learning Methods	How Demonstrated?		
(a) Subject and Professional skills				
Knowledge				
Enhanced knowledge of aspects of subject knowledge and subject pedagogy	Seminars, tutorials, independent study	Oral presentations, Visual presentations accompanied by narrations, essays.		
	Concepts			
Enhanced knowledge of theoretical frameworks relevant to learning and teaching	Seminars, tutorials, independent study	Oral presentations, Visual presentations accompanied by narrations, essays.		
Techniques				
Mastery of educational research methods	Seminars, tutorials, independent study	Oral presentations, Visual presentations accompanied by narrations, essays.		
	Critical analysis			
Ability to apply understanding of theoretical frameworks and research methodology with independence and rigour	Seminars, tutorials, independent study	Oral presentations, Visual presentations accompanied by narrations, essays, contributions to relevant online forums, blogs and wikis.		
	Presentation			
Mastery of presentation methods appropriate to a variety of audiences within the field of education	Seminars, tutorials, independent study	Oral presentations, Visual presentations accompanied by narrations, essays.		
Appraisal of evidence				
Ability to analyse and assess educational policy and reform, and findings from research and inspection	Seminars, tutorials, independent study	Oral presentations, Visual presentations accompanied by narrations, essays, contributions to relevant online forums, blogs and wikis.		

Intended Learning	Teaching and Learning	How Demonstrated?		
Outcomes	Methods			
	(b) Transferable skills			
	Research skills			
Ability to locate, organise and marshal evidence, report on	Seminars relating specifically to research methods, tutorials,	Oral presentations, Visual presentations accompanied by		
findings analyse complex ideas	independent study	narrations, essays, contributions to		
and construct critical arguments		relevant online forums, blogs and wikis.		
	Communication skills			
Ability to deliver oral and visual	Seminars, tutorials	Oral presentations, Visual		
presentations appropriate to		presentations accompanied by		
the audience, respond to		narrations, essays, contributions to		
questioning and write clearly		relevant online forums, blogs and		
and cogently		wikis.		
Data presentation				
Ability to present research	Seminars relating specifically to	Oral presentations, Visual		
findings clearly and effectively,	research methods, tutorials,	presentations accompanied by		
using appropriate IT resources	independent study	narrations, essays, contributions to relevant online forums, blogs and		
		wikis.		
	Information technology	WIKIS.		
Ability to evaluate a range of IT	Seminars relating to pedagogy and	Oral presentations, Visual		
applications and to use IT	to research methods, independent	presentations accompanied by		
effectively	study	narrations, contribution to		
-		appropriate Open Educational		
		Resource repositories.		
	Problem solving			
Ability to identify main features	Seminars, tutorials	Oral presentations, Visual		
of a problem, examine		presentations accompanied by		
alternative solutions, and plan		narrations, essays, contributions to		
and carry out suitable actions.		relevant online forums, blogs and		
	Working relationships	wikis.		
Ability to contribute to and	Seminar activities	Contributions to seminars,		
comment on ideas in seminar	Seminar activities	contributions to relevant online		
groups		forums, blogs and wikis.		
0	Managing learning			
Use theory and the practice	Engagement with professional	Contributions to seminars,		
learned from the course and	communities and peers on reflective	contributions to relevant online		
wider academic and	activities.	forums, blogs and wikis.		
professional community to				
reflect on own practice				
Career management				
Identifying benefits of Level 7	Tutorial support	Tutorial discussion, reflective blog.		
study & transferable skills to				
match career development				
needs.				

10. Special features:

The Postgraduate Certificate in Learning Technologies is an innovative offering, which combines theory with practice. The programme offers unique opportunities to study the present and future of learning innovations through technology across different educational settings. It is led by academics from the Institute of Learning Innovation of the School of Education who are engaged in research to influence and shape learning innovations. Working with them and in collaboration with learning technology professionals and researchers from around the world, students will be at the forefront of the latest pedagogical and technological innovations as they happen.

As they work through the programme, students will be guided by extensive online resources, their personal tutor and learning sets, i.e., small groups of participants who meet regularly online to discuss issues of mutual importance. They will learn to use the knowledge they acquire to extend their passion for enhancing the experiences of learners through innovation. They will have the opportunity to take part, online or on campus, in the Institute of Learning Innovation's bi-annual research workshops.

Throughout the programme, ICT literacy and familiarity with new tools and technologies will be developed alongside discipline-based content.

11. Indications of programme quality:

The programme will appoint an external examiner with relevant expertise to cover all the modules, who reports annually on the quality of the programme.

12. Scheme of Assessment

This programme follows the regulations governing taught postgraduate programmes of study.

13. Progression points

Student can use the PG Cert as APL and join the second year of MAIE or MAE: LT programmes.

14. Rules relating to re-sits or re-submissions:

The regulations that apply to the "criteria for and classification of awards" are regulation 6.32-6.41 in the following link - <u>http://www2.le.ac.uk/offices/sas2/regulations/documents/senatereg6-pgt.pdf</u>. 6.33 applies to PG certificates.

The number of credits of taught modules that a student shall be entitled to re-sit or re-submit is half of the credit value of the taught component of the programme, up to a maximum value of 60 credits. For the PG Certificate that would mean that a student can only resubmit <u>one</u> module (30 credits). If a student was therefore to fail both modules then they would not be eligible for any award.

15. Additional information [e.g. timetable for admissions]

Admissions will normally be in line with the academic year.

Appendix 1: Programme structure (programme regulations)

Curriculum: Candidates will undertake 2 taught modules

Module	titles:
ED7616	Learning Technologies 1: Technology-Enhanced Learning
ED7617	Learning Technologies 2: Learning Design for 21 st Century

Assessment:

Assessment for the taught modules is through coursework, employing a variety of tasks including essays, portfolios and presentations.

Qualifications awarded:

Candidates, who satisfactorily complete the assessments for each of the taught modules will exit with 60 credits, and will be awarded a Postgraduate Certificate. This qualification can be used as the equivalent to the campus based MAE: LT module and therefore APL used for progression onto the second year of the MAE: LT course if the student wishes.

Appendix 2: Module Specifications

See module specification database http://www.le.ac.uk/sas/courses/documentation

JACs codes applicable to programme: X100; X200; X300