

MA in Management in Education Module Overview

Mandatory Modules	Module Aim
Academic Enquiry	This module prepares students to engage in scholarly activity in Education at Masters level. It promotes the development of skills, knowledge and dispositions needed for effective membership of the postgraduate academic community. This module emphasises (i) the acquisition of reliable knowledge; (ii) critical engagement with ideas; (iii) effectively scholarly writing; and (iv) academic integrity.
Educational Leadership and Personal Development	This module provides students with a theoretical and practical insight into the different styles of educational leadership and the implications for the design and development of progressive learning environments. Students will learn about the importance of a clearly communicated and collectively shared vision and mission for the development and success of their school/educational institution. Students will reflect on their own leadership philosophy and practice and learn to create effective and collaborative teams within their own educational setting.
Leadership and Management in Education	This module examines the leadership of the educational organisation as a whole. Students will be provided with the necessary tools to create collaborative, shared decision-making, democratic group processes and interactions within their own educational context. It provides them with both the practical knowledge and theory to move away from the traditional, authoritative organisational structure towards a more collaborative and holistic approach which will enable the development of professional learning communities.
Research Methods in Education	The module develops students' research knowledge and skills as education researchers and prepares them to conduct practice-based and field-based research.
Educational Research Project	This module develops the students' research skills through the completion of either practice-based research or a conceptual/philosophical educational investigation.

Elective Modules	Module Aim
Developments in Adult Literacy*	This module provides students with the knowledge and skills to explore the relationship between literacy, adult education, the learner and their own professional development. Students will be encouraged to develop an awareness of literacy as a tool for social transformation and to reflect on how to integrate an awareness of adult literacy into their own professional context.
Education Law	This module addresses some of the major legal areas that are of practical concern to educators, and provides them with some of the skills needed to allow them to discover and understand legal information used in their own educational context.
Enterprise and Innovation in Education	This module provides students with the knowledge and skills for effective entrepreneurship and innovation in an educational context. It explores entrepreneurial and innovation practice in education both nationally and internationally. Students will engage with and reflect on the concepts of entrepreneurship and innovation within their own professional context and practice.
Environmental Sustainability in Education	This module supports students to develop practical and actionable approaches for addressing sustainability in educational contexts. It provides a background to current and emerging understanding of sustainability, and existing policies and initiatives concerning sustainability in the education sector. It equips students with the skills to develop and implement sustainability policies and actions at school, institutional and/or community level, and to connect these local actions with the global movement for sustainability. It also facilitates students to develop a confident and nuanced approach to addressing the complexities of sustainability.
Exploring Contemporary Issues in Education	This module fosters reflective discourse and critical analysis of the traditional matters and pressing trends emerging in the field of education. It explores issues and matters in education inclusive of, but not limited to, equity, diversity and inclusion, wellbeing, policy and funding, assessment and globalisation. It cultivates advanced critical inquiry and research skills among students and to nurture leadership capabilities essential for driving educational innovation and change.
Financial Management and Governance	This module equips students with the requisite knowledge and understanding to plan for and manage finance and resources effectively in an educational context. It introduces students to key concepts of financial management within an educational setting and gives them an introduction to the parameters of modern governance in the context of a school or educational institution.
Human Resource Management in Education	This module equips students with the knowledge and skills to manage staff in an educational setting. It also enables students to examine their attitudes towards work and people at work.
Inclusion in Education*	This module raises students' consciousness of issues in relation to inclusion in Education, with reference to equality and diversity, in order to inform and empower them to promote, embed and embody principles of inclusion within their educational context. It offers students opportunities to explore relevant theory and policy, and to examine how they inform practice in educational settings, both general and specific, with particular reference to case studies. It also fosters the development of advanced levels of self-awareness, reflection, and communication skills, and a heightened sense of agency that will allow learners to become a transformative influence within their professional context.
Mentoring	Experienced teachers, lecturers and educational leaders have a wealth of knowledge and skills. This module offers students opportunities to develop their abilities and dispositions to analyse and explain their academic and pedagogical thinking, so that they can share their expertise and support their colleagues' professional development, through skilful mentoring.
Public Relations in Education	This module provides students with a critical awareness of the theory, practice and management of Public Relations within Education. Students will identify the key stakeholders relevant to each educational institution and examine appropriate PR strategies to communicate effectively with them.

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Strategic Planning in Education	This module facilitates an in-depth understanding of strategy in the context of educational institutions. The process of strategic planning and the role of strategy in determining the future direction of the institution will be reviewed using contemporary literature and case-based examples of practice across a range of educational settings. The formulation, development and implementation of strategy will include critical reflection on the educational institutions' vision, values, stakeholders, external environment and the existing organisational culture.

**New modules to be ratified by SETU's Academic Council 2024*