

# Childcare and Teacher Training

## Professional Graduate Certificate in Education (Post-Compulsory Education) Level 6 Full-time

### In Brief

#### Start Date / Duration

This course starts in September 2024 and is studied over one year as a full-time programme

#### Entry Requirements

- Bachelor's Degree in a relevant subject or substantial professional experience
- GCSE English and Maths at grade 4/C or above or an equivalent qualification at Level 2 or above
- Good information and communications (ICT) skills
- You will need to undertake an interview with the Course Leader
- You will be required to complete a satisfactory enhanced DBS check
- You must be deemed fit to teach

#### You will achieve

You will gain a Professional Graduate Certificate in Education (ProfGCE) in Post Compulsory Education. This qualification is validated by Leeds Trinity University.

### Course Overview

This course helps you develop the required skills, knowledge and professional values to be a highly effective teacher. You will have the option to work in Further Education colleges, sixth form colleges, adult and community learning, independent training providers and prison education. With a large proportion of your time spent on placement, you'll gain the real-world experience that you need to prepare you for a fulfilling career in education.

### Course Content

You are expected to complete 120 credits across the programme and be observed teaching on

eight occasions.

You will complete the following modules as part of the programme:

- Planning and Assessing Learning in the Post Compulsory Education Context
- The Role of Theory and the Use of Evidence Informed Practice
- Exploring Contemporary Issues in Post Compulsory Education
- Reflective Teaching Practice (1 and 2)

As a full-time trainee, you would be committed to a Monday-to-Friday week of academic and professional study, consisting of two full days per week of on-campus study, two days per week of professional practice placement (arranged by the College and agreed with you), as well as one day per week of independent study and research.

## How will I be assessed?

Your assessment will be a combination of assignments, practical teaching experience, observation records and reflective practice. You will need to demonstrate that you have developed the necessary knowledge, skills, and experience to be a successful teacher.

## What Equipment Will I Need?

You will need to provide a pen, paper, notepad or electronic device.

## Where will I study?

SciTech Digital Innovation Centre  
Falcon Street  
Barnsley  
S70 2EY

## What can I do next?

Upon completion of the programme you can:

- Secure employment as a qualified teacher in post-compulsory education
- Apply for QTLS with the Education and Training Foundation
- Consider starting a Master's Degree in an education-related subject

## How much does the course cost?

Course fees: £5,995 per year for those that enrol in September 2024. £6,165\* per year for those that enrol in September 2025 (\*maximum fee per year is subject to approval).

## Extra information

### Join the Sports Village

We have a state-of-the-art fitness village, Honeywell Sports Village

[<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/shops-services/honeywell-sports-village/>] where students can make use of our fitness suite, spinning studio and classes for competitive rates.

## Disability and Dyslexia Service (DDS) Higher Education

We offer a service to any student who has a diagnosis of anything persistent or long-term which might interfere with how they study and manage their day-to-day academic engagement. The service is flexible and shaped around the needs of each individual; it might be consistent support or intermittent support.

For further information please refer to our website. [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/higher-education/dds-at-higher-education/>]

## HE Student Finance

As a Higher Education student living in England you may be eligible for the non-means tested Tuition Fee Loan from the Government. For further details go to:  
[www.direct.gov.uk/studentfinance](http://www.direct.gov.uk/studentfinance) [<http://www.direct.gov.uk/studentfinance>]

You may also be eligible for a Maintenance Loan. See the Government website [<https://www.gov.uk/student-finance>] for up-to-date details.

Students with children or dependant adults may qualify for a Childcare Grant or Adult Dependents' Grant. Students can apply for these at the same time as applying for a Maintenance Loan.

**Remember:** Eligible students will not have to pay tuition fees in advance and can apply for the Maintenance Loan before they start the course.

Apply online at [www.direct.gov.uk/studentfinance](http://www.direct.gov.uk/studentfinance) [<http://www.direct.gov.uk/studentfinance>]

## Contact the Information Unit

For further information please contact our friendly Information Team on +44 (0)1226 216 123 or email [info@barnsley.ac.uk](mailto:info@barnsley.ac.uk) [<mailto:info@barnsley.ac.uk>]

## Disclaimer

Please note we reserve the right to change details without notice. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

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