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| How do I apply? | Please apply direct to your first-choice institution. Details can be found at: |
| Who is this programme for? | The National MA Education (Wales) is a truly transformative and sector leading programme for educational professionals in Wales, from early career teachers to senior leaders. The educational landscape in Wales is changing rapidly. Teaching not only requires the mastery of a complex set of skills to guide, motivate, and facilitate student learning, but also the ability to enquire into professional practice in order to improve it. The National MA Education (Wales), which has been collaboratively developed by seven universities in Wales, through direct engagement with a variety of key stakeholders including Welsh Government - will ensure that all education professionals in Wales have the same high-quality opportunity to enhance their professional knowledge, engage with research, and to improve their professional practice. |
| What are the entry requirements? | Candidates must hold Qualified Teacher Status and be currently employed in the compulsory education sector in the UK. |
| Does the course require a specific degree classification at UG level? | The course does not require a specific degree classification at UG level. Entry requirements are as stated above. |
| What are the application deadlines? | Applications will be reviewed throughout the year however if you wish to be considered for funding, the funding application deadlines are as follows:  16th July  17th September  Latest possible enrolment date (students must have completed enrolment by this date): 15 October 2021 |
| What is Recognition of Prior Learning? | Recognition of Prior Learning signifies the process recognising learning achieved by an individual before entry to the MA. For the purpose of this programme, the term covers the following: a) Credit Transfer - Where the credits or qualification have been awarded by a UK higher education institution as part of a formal qualification ; b) Recognition of Prior experiential Learning (RPeL) – where learning gained through experience is assessed and recognised. |
| Can I be exempted from part of the MA i.e. accepted with Recognition of Prior Learning? | It may be possible to admit you to the MA with advanced standing on the basis of M-Level modules studied elsewhere in the UK during the last five years. Please apply using the standard application form but ensure that you include your previous academic transcripts plus a copy of the course syllabus giving details of learning outcomes and credit weightings. |
| What documents do I need to send to you? | As well as completing the standard University application process, you will also be required to submit a supplementary application form available here.  A statement of support from your Headteacher or other senior colleague/manager.  If you hold recognised qualifications (e.g. PGCE) and/or significant professional experience you may apply for that to be taken into account against the 60 credits of modules which comprise year 1 of the programme. To be eligible for consideration, you must provide appropriate evidence that you meet the Learning Outcomes for the modules. This can either be via your PGCE transcript or by completing the relevant Recognition of Prior Experiential Learning sections on the National MA Education (Wales) supplementary application form, or a combination of these methods. Please see the guidance on how to apply and what to include in our Recognition of Prior Learning policy. |
| Do I need a GCSE in Welsh Language? | You do not need a GCSE in Welsh language to apply for this programme |
| How can I register on a Virtual Open Day? | Please check the website of your chosen University for details of virtual open days |
| have received a conditional offer, what does this mean? | A conditional offer means that you have been accepted onto the MA SUBJECT TO you meeting the criteria specified in your formal offer of admission. |
| Do I need to provide a programme specific enhanced criminal disclosure via the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS)? | As a practicing teacher you will already have undergone checks via the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) and therefore will not need to complete this process again. |
| I am a teacher in England/Scotland/Northern Ireland - can I still apply for the programme? | Yes, we welcome applications from teachers across the UK. |
| I am a teacher from the EU/Overseas - can I still apply for the programme? | Unfortunately, this programme is not available to teachers from the EU/Overseas |
| I completed the GTP, am I eligible to apply for the National MA Education (Wales)? | Yes, teachers who qualified via the GTP route are eligible to apply for the National MA Education (Wales). You will need to map your learning and/or experience against the Learning Outcomes in the Recognition of Prior Learning section of the Supplementary form. Guidance on how to complete this is available in the Recognition of Prior Learning policy. |