



## MSc Developmental and Educational Psychology

This research-focused masters offers a comprehensive research training in developmental and educational psychology and provides a good grounding for doctoral studies. It is also acts as a valuable preparation for a research career in the academic community, the public sector or in industry.

It will enable you to become a skilled and informed member of the developmental and educational psychology research community with an in-depth knowledge of specialised research skills. We shall develop your ability to critically appraise the literature and conduct rigorous research in this field, using a broad range of methods.

### Programme of study

The programme consists of four modules as indicated below. In addition, you will carry out a piece of research leading to a dissertation of 20,000 words. You will also undertake courses in academic competencies.

### Taught modules

- 1) Developmental Psychology and Psychobiology or Personality and Social Psychology or Cognitive Development and Learning
- 2) Methodology & Statistics
- 3) Social Development or Core Topics in Psychology of Education
- 4) Qualitative Analysis

### The dissertation

For your dissertation you will conduct a piece of empirical work investigating a research question of your choice. This will develop your ability to plan, conduct and write up a substantial piece of work to a professional standard. It will enable you to apply the skills acquired during the programme, to develop independent critical thought and provide a basis for the development of a PhD thesis.

### Length of programme

You can complete the MSc in one year full-time or up to four years part-time.

### Assessment

For the taught modules you will be assessed by coursework and in the case of Core Topics in Psychology of Education by a two-hour unseen examination. In addition you will be assessed on the 20,000 word dissertation.

### Entry requirements

You will require a first or second-class honours degree with a substantial amount of psychology (50%) from an approved university.

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