Teaching Qualification - Further Education (TQFE)

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What previous students have said

“My career has been my focus for many years but the degree has forced me out of my comfort zone and to develop my skills and knowledge, which ultimately will allow me to help others.”

Susan McIntosh
Further Education (TQFE)

“The programme was very well rounded and had the perfect and essential mix of theory and practice. The programme staff were also extremely supportive and recognised our diverse backgrounds.”

TQFE Programmes

- Pre-service (approx. 30 students)

- In-service (approx. 70 students)

Programme Summary document
TQFE Qualifications

- University Diploma (HNC required for admission)
- BA (HND required for admission)
- Postgraduate Certificate (first degree required for admission)

Programme Summary document (pages 3 & 4)

TQFE — Core Subjects

- Module 1 - Learner Identity & Diversity
- Module 2 - Teaching & Assessment
- Module 3
  - Professional Practice
  - or Accreditation of prior PDA
  - or Adult Education
  - or Professional Experiential Learning
- Additional elements:
  - Two lesson observations (one before and one after Christmas)

Programme Summary document (pages 4 and 9 to 18)

TQFE Assignments

- We look to use your practice as an integral part of the module assignments.
- The focus for the assignments will be on the critical analysis and critical reflection of your practice.

Assessment Load

- UG 2000 word summative assignment.
- PG 3000 word summative assignment
- Formative assessment (peer review and discussion) also forms part of the assessment process.
- Preparation for writing your assignments will be time consuming especially the range of reading that you are expected to undertake.
Learning Management System - CANVAS

- CANVAS is the university’s new ‘Learning Management System’ (LMS).
- Significant use is made of CANVAS within the TQFE programme – you cannot complete the programme without using CANVAS on a regular basis.
- You must be fully enrolled/registered to gain access to CANVAS – it is very important therefore to complete enrolment/registration as soon as possible.

Library / Information Services

- You will have full access to our electronic resources once enrolled/registered
- Prior to enrolment / registration it is possible to:
  - Visit the library and browse our stock
  - Access and search the library catalogue and see the sort of material we have http://libcat.stir.ac.uk/ or https://portal.stir.ac.uk/library/search.jsp
  - Look at our Subject Research Guides which give information about the types of resources we have http://libguides.stir.ac.uk/home
  - Information about the library is on our detailed web pages http://www.stir.ac.uk/is/
Structure of TQFE teaching days at Stirling

• 09:00 – 10:00 Feedback and Guidance
  (optional – organised on an individual basis)

• 10:00 – 11:00 Lecture or workshop

• 11:00 – 12:00 Workshop

• 13:00 – 16:00 Workshop

Student Support

• Student Learning Service:
  For additional support with learning please contact Student Learning Services at sls@stir.ac.uk or phone Ruth Watkins on 01786 467950
  Website: http://www.strategicplanning.stir.ac.uk/CAPL/student-learning-services/

• Student Support Services:
  For all other student support including support for a learning difficulty or disability contact SSS by going onto their website at:
  http://www.student-support.stir.ac.uk/

...and finally...

• Our aim is to provide a positive (but challenging!) learning experience for you
• This as a two way process
• We look to provide a range of support material to enable you to get the most out of your study here at Stirling
• We look forward to working with you during your time on the programme

Good luck!!