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Language Requirements
If English is not your first language, you must provide evidence of your proficiency such as a minimum IELTS score of 6.5 (6.0 in speaking and listening; 6.5 in reading & writing). If you do not meet the required score, you may be able to register for one of our pre-sessional English courses.

To register you must hold a conditional offer for your course and have an IELTS score 0.5 or 1.0 below the required standard. For more information, go to: http://stir.ac.uk/1ae

Course Overview
The mode of study is full-time for one year or part-time over two years.

Semester 1:
- Principles of Language Learning and Teaching
- The Nature of Educational Enquiry
- plus one option (TESOL Methodology, Teaching English to Young Learners, Grammar for TESOL or Introduction to CALL).

Semester 2:
- Difference and Diversity
- Research Methods in TESOL
- plus one option (Discourse Analysis or Designing and Implementing Online Language Learning).

Dissertation
The dissertation project for this course will be approximately 15,000 words and will be carried out over three months under supervision.

Tuition Fees and Funding
Details of tuition fees can be found at: http://stir.ac.uk/1aj

For Scottish students and EU domiciled students, this course is currently approved for PTFL (Postgraduate Tuition Fee Loan) funding from SAAS.

You can find up to date financial information and funding opportunities here: www.stir.ac.uk/scholarships

Entrance Requirements
In order to be considered for admission to the PhD in Education Studies and TESOL, you must have a minimum of a second-class honours degree or equivalent. Applicants without this qualification, but with significant and relevant work experience, are also encouraged to apply.

You will also need to demonstrate familiarity with the school environment from a professional standpoint, either through having completed a year’s teaching experience or having taken a teaching degree in your home country.

INTO University of Stirling offers a Graduate Diploma for those students who do not meet the required criteria for this course. If you successfully complete the Graduate Diploma in Media, Humanities and Social Sciences, and meet the required progression grades, you will be guaranteed entry to this Masters degree.

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WHY AN MSc IN EDUCATION STUDIES AND TESOL?

The MSc in Education Studies with TESOL combines a broad exploration of educational issues, practical experience of observing local schools, and training in TESOL theory, practice and research. This degree will provide you with a solid grounding on the principles of language learning and teaching, and an understanding of research methods in TESOL. In addition, you will be given the opportunity to pursue an interest in teaching young learners, computer-assisted and online language learning, or English grammar and discourse analysis. In Education Studies, you will join a programme of visits to local schools and learn about the wider pastoral role of being an educator in a professional context. You will engage in discussions around the issues of difference and identities, and critically consider some of the wider theoretical and policy-based contexts for professional practice. You will also explore different approaches to educational research and their underlying assumptions.

IS AN MSc IN EDUCATION STUDIES AND TESOL FOR ME?

This degree is particularly appropriate for teachers who want to study for a postgraduate degree with a strong education element, as well as a focus on TESOL. You may be attracted by a broader qualification than the MSc in TESOL, or you may want to extend your teaching experience with knowledge about TESOL.

You may be planning to teach in a state school or in an international school, and you may teach other subjects as well as English. The degree will also be relevant to you if you wish to go on to study for a PhD or to work in teacher education or school management.

RESEARCH AND EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The University of Stirling is committed to increasing your employability. Once you register for the MSc in Education Studies and TESOL, you will have access to first-class services offered by the Careers and Employability Service, which you can benefit from even after you graduate.

Within TESOL, we also provide a tailored workshop series entitled “My career in TESOL” aimed at developing your awareness of Continuing Professional Development (CPD), your knowledge of job market requirements and your confidence in applying for jobs.

If you want to continue to PhD level, as part of this MSc you will receive an introduction to research methods and your dissertation will be supervised by experienced academics who will further develop your research skills. This will equip you with the tools necessary for effective PhD research.

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