

Degree of Doctorate in Educational Psychology (D.Ed.Psy)

Code: 8903P

Notes:

- (i) *These programme regulations should be read in conjunction with the University's Masters Progress Regulations and Examination Conventions.*
- (ii) *A core module is a module which a student must pass, and in which a fail mark may neither be carried nor compensated; such modules are designated by the board of studies as essential for progression to a further stage of the programme or for study in a further module.*
- (iii) *A compulsory module is a module which a student must take.*

Note: All modules are offered subject to the constraints of the timetable and to any restrictions on the number of students who may be taught on particular modules. Not all modules may be offered in all years and they are listed subject to availability.

1. Programme structure

- (a) The programme is available for study in part-time module only.
- (b) The programme of part-time study shall normally extend over a minimum period of five years and must be completed within six years.
- (c) The programme comprises modules to a credit value of 240.
- (d) Candidates can apply for APL to the DPD for up to 50% of the taught programme. It is likely that most candidates will apply to the DPD for APL of EDU8156, EDU8160 and for EDU8163 on the basis of CPD, research and project work following their achievement of the MSc in Educational Psychology. It is also possible that candidates can apply for a further 30 credits for any journal articles published in refereed journals.
- (e) All candidates shall take the following compulsory (exceptions to this being in (d) above) modules:

(a) Taught Element							
(i) Research Methods modules:							
<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Credits Sem 3</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>
EDU8156	Research Design for Educational Psychologists	30	30			M	
EDU8157	Developing Research Skills in	30	30			M	

	Educational Psychology						
EDU8158	Exploring Research Methodology for Educational Psychologists	30		30		M	
EDU8159	Critical Research Issues in Educational Psychology	30	30			M	
<p>With the approval of the Degree Programme Director candidates may substitute prescribed Research Methods modules from other M level university modules for module EDU8158 and/or EDU8159. It is likely that candidates will request APL for EDU8156.</p> <p>(ii) Specialist Modules:</p>							
EDU8160	Refocusing Educational Psychology	30		30		M*	
EDU8161	Advanced Current Issues in Educational Psychology I	30	30			M*	
EDU8162	Advanced Current Issues in Educational Psychology II	30		30		M*	
EDU8163	Advanced Current Issues in Educational Psychology III	30		30		M*	
<p>With the approval of the Degree Programme Director candidates may substitute: <i>either</i> modules up to 60 credits from Advanced Specialist Modules from the Doctorate in Education programme (or from any other M level modules approved by the DPD) for an equivalent number of</p>							

credits from modules EDU8161, EDU8162 or EDU8163;

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an equivalent negotiated programme from the Doctorate in Clinical Psychology programme for 30 credits from EDU8161.

It is likely that candidates will request APL for EDU8160 and for for EDU8163.

(b) Research Element

A thesis on an approved topic of 40,000 to 50,000 words

Note: in the research element candidates are required to show ability to conduct original investigations, to test ideas, whether their own or others', and to understand the relationship of their work and its themes to a wider field of knowledge. The thesis should exhibit substantial evidence of original scholarship and contain material worthy of publication.

- (i) All candidates will be required to complete a minimum of one module of 30 credits in Advanced Current Issues in Educational Psychology EDU8161, EDU8162 or EDU8163.
- (ii) For each approved candidate, the Dean or Dean of Postgraduate Studies shall appoint a supervisor, who shall be a full-time member of the academic staff in the University. The Dean or Dean of Postgraduate Studies may, if appropriate, designate in addition another full-time member of academic staff to act as a secondary supervisor.
- (iii) In exceptional circumstances, the Dean or Dean of Postgraduate Studies may, on the recommendation of the supervisor, permit a candidate to complete the programme of study after the period prescribed in section 4 above. In each case where such permission is granted the Dean or Dean of Postgraduate Studies shall determine the period of the extension. Candidates not required to register will need to pay a continuation fee.
- (iv) A candidate who has completed the minimum required period of registration specified in regulation 4 but who remains eligible to submit a thesis, is not required to continue as a registered student unless the candidate is making use of University facilities commensurate with such registration. Candidates who require the continued use of University library and computing facilities but who are completing the writing up of their thesis and do not need normal supervision may be permitted on the recommendation of their supervisor in consultation with the Degree Programme Director to register as 'part-time (writing-up)' candidates.

2. Assessment methods

Details of the assessment pattern for each module are explained in the module outline.

(i) Other

Student Progress

- (i) The progress of all students registered for the degree of Doctorate in Educational Psychology shall be reviewed each year by the relevant supervisor and Head of School. Each supervisor and student shall complete and submit an Annual Report Form concerning the progress of the candidate's study for review by the Dean of Postgraduate Studies.

- (ii) The progress of a student may be reviewed in accordance with the procedure set out in the University's *Taught Postgraduate Masters' Degree Entrance and Progress Regulations*.

- (iii) Tuition and course fees, details of which are set out in the University's *Fees Schedule* obtainable from the Academic Registrar, shall be paid in full at Registration to the Director of Finance, University of Newcastle upon Tyne, Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 7RU.

Notes

- (i) *Forms to submit a title for approval must be obtained from the Registrar, University of Newcastle upon Tyne, Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 7RU.*

- (ii) *The University does not undertake to arrange the examination of a thesis immediately after its submission. Candidates are warned that some months may elapse between the submission of their theses and the completion of the examination, and should consult with their supervisors well in advance.*