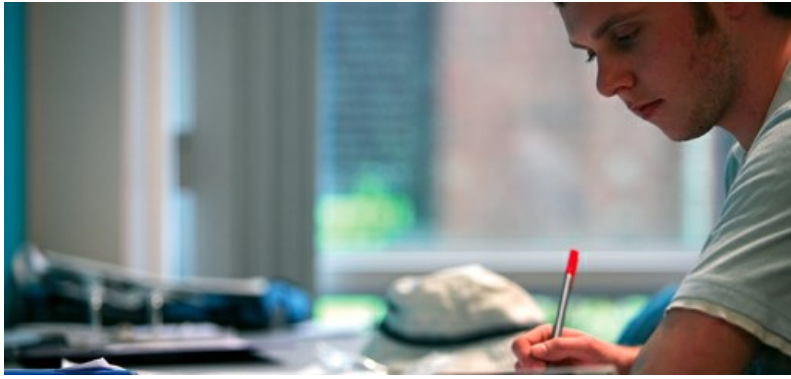


## Educational Studies MRes



The MRes in Educational Studies is a combined programme consisting of a taught element and a research element. The taught element consists of a number of core modules which are taken from the Doctoral Research Training programme. You will then complete a 20,000 words research dissertation.

The University is one of only 12 UK institutions to have been awarded 'Doctoral Training Centre' status by the Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC), the UK funding body for social sciences.

**[Study here and find out why the University of Birmingham was awarded The Times and The Sunday Times University of the Year 2013-14](http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/news/latest/2013/09/20-sep-Birmingham-announced-as-University-of-the-Year.aspx)**  
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### Course fact file

**Type of Course:** Combined research and taught

**Study Options:** Full time, part time

**Duration:** 1 full-time and 2 years part-time.

**Start date:** Contact the School directly

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### Details

The MRes in Educational Studies is a combined programme consisting of a taught element and a research element with a dissertation of 20,000 words.

The taught element consists of the following core modules which are taken from the **[Doctoral Research Training programme](/postgraduate/courses/taught/edu/social-research-education.aspx)**  
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### Programme content

The core modules you will take are:

- Introduction to Social Science Research (20 credits)
- Research Design (20 credits)
- Research Methods 1 (20 credits)

You will then complete a 20,000 words research dissertation.

### Fees and funding

**[Standard fees \(/postgraduate/pgt-fees/fees.aspx\)](/postgraduate/pgt-fees/fees.aspx)** apply

### Fees overseas

Please view our **[Fees for International Students \(http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/international/students/finance/fees.aspx\)](http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/international/students/finance/fees.aspx)** page for further details.

Learn more about **[fees and funding \(/postgraduate/pgt-fees/index.aspx\)](/postgraduate/pgt-fees/index.aspx)**

### Scholarships and studentships

Scholarships may be available. International students can often gain funding through overseas research scholarships, Commonwealth scholarships or their home government. More details may be found on the **[international scholarships \(/International/students/finance/index.aspx\)](/International/students/finance/index.aspx)** page

For further information contact the School directly or the Student Funding Office via **[online enquiries \(http://www.studenthelp.bham.ac.uk\)](http://www.studenthelp.bham.ac.uk)**.

## Entry requirements

Learn more about [entry requirements \(/postgraduate/requirements-pgt/index.aspx\)](http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/postgraduate/requirements-pgt/index.aspx)

### International students

We accept a range of qualifications, our [country pages \(http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/international/students/country/index.aspx\)](http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/international/students/country/index.aspx) show you what qualifications we accept from your country.

### English language requirements

You can satisfy our English language requirements in two ways:

- by holding an [English language qualification \(http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/students/requirements/requirements-pg/international/index.aspx\)](http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/students/requirements/requirements-pg/international/index.aspx) to the right level
- by taking and successfully completing one of our [English courses for international students \(http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/students/requirements/requirements-pg/international/english-courses.aspx\)](http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/students/requirements/requirements-pg/international/english-courses.aspx)

## How to apply

When clicking on the Apply Now button you will be directed to an application specifically designed for the programme you wish to apply for where you will create an account with the University application system and submit your application and supporting documents online. Further information regarding how to apply online can be found on the [How to apply pages \(http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/students/courses/postgraduate/apply-pg/index.aspx\)](http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/students/courses/postgraduate/apply-pg/index.aspx)

[Apply now \(https://pga.bham.ac.uk/lpages/COSo39.htm\)](https://pga.bham.ac.uk/lpages/COSo39.htm)

### Related links

[Social Research \(Education\) MA \(/postgraduate/courses/taught/edu/social-research-education.aspx\)](http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/postgraduate/courses/taught/edu/social-research-education.aspx)

[Research in the School of Education \(/schools/education/research/index.aspx\)](http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/schools/education/research/index.aspx)

[Postgraduate Research \(/schools/education/courses/postgraduate-research/index.aspx\)](http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/schools/education/courses/postgraduate-research/index.aspx)

[Scholarships and bursaries \(/schools/education/scholarships/index.aspx\)](http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/schools/education/scholarships/index.aspx)

## Learning and teaching

With over 100 lecturing and research staff and dedicated research centres, our School of Education is one of the largest research-led schools of education in the UK with a distinguished reputation for excellence in our research and teaching practice both nationally and internationally. We have a history of 5 star rated research and in the 2008 Research Excellence Exercise (RAE), 80% of our work was recognised as being of international quality. You will undertake advanced research under the supervision and guidance of an experienced member of the School of Education staff.

### Research Facilities

The School of Education is equipped with the facilities to suit your needs, whatever programme you may be studying with us. As a full-time doctoral researcher you have 24-hour access to work space in our research suite, where there are computer and telephone facilities. You also have access to University libraries and computer facilities, as well as other entitlements such as grants towards conference attendance and photocopying. Many research students work with supervisors in publishing articles and making their work public.

In addition, we have our own Education library, based within the main Education building on campus, with specialised resources including e-journals and education sector-specific literature. The education library has two group study rooms for education students. Both rooms can accommodate up to 15 people. Facilities available include PC and large smart board displays that can be used for presentations and teaching practice. We have also recently refurbished our Student Common Room facilities as an informal learning space for education students.

The Orchard Learning Resource Centre (OLRC) which is situated on our Selly Oak Campus, holds over 200,000 items, encompassing religious studies, social sciences and humanities. Collections include the European Documentation Collection (EDC) of over 10,000 items published by the European Commission and the German, Arabic and Oriental collections as well as the predominantly Russian-language Baykov Collection.

A vast array of IT facilities is available to students and staff within the school. Flexible open access computer clusters and learning suites are available, with school specific software.

To find out more about the facilities and resources available in the School of Education, including online and e-learning facilities, please visit:

<http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/schools/education/facilities/index.aspx> (<http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/schools/education/facilities/index.aspx>)

## Employability

The University of Birmingham has recently been ranked 9th in the UK, and 55th in the world, for post-qualification employability in a global survey of universities commissioned by the International Herald Tribune. Over the last five years, an impressive 98.3 % of Education postgraduates have been in work and/or further study six months after graduation.

Birmingham's Education graduates choose to work in variety of education roles in schools and administrative roles in public and private sector organisations. Work in retail, sales and administration are also popular options. Some chose to continue their education and apply for professional courses such as teacher training. It will also appeal to applicants with teaching and research interests in this area.

### What type of career assistance is available to postgraduate researchers in Education?

The College of Social Sciences, to which the School of Education belongs, has specially designated careers advisors and careers consultants who can provide guidance for postgraduate researchers on career paths, CVs, training opportunities, application and interviews. The University's central Careers' Service also runs workshops and offers personally tailored advice and guidance including 1-1 careers advice and 1-1 CV advice. The Career's Service runs CV writing workshops especially for postgraduates in the College of Social Sciences, giving advice on how to compile CVs for both employment and for academic roles.

The University also has dedicated careers advisors who run workshops and provide networking opportunities with potential employers. These are especially popular with international postgraduate researchers.

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