Module description

This module examines the research process through studies with young children, children and young people carried out in the fields of education, health and social care. It explores topics central to the research process such as ethics, diversity, power and the responsibilities of researchers. This is a project-based course with no exam and it will help students to develop their own research and analytical skills using audio, video and online materials.

Person specification

The person specification for this module should be read in conjunction with the generic person specification for an associate lecturer at The Open University.

As well as meeting all the requirements set out in the generic person specification, you should have:

- a degree in education, health, social welfare, childhood studies or the social sciences
- an understanding of issues that arise when carrying out research with children and young people
- knowledge and understanding of research design and of qualitative and quantitative approaches
- a postgraduate qualification (either at masters or doctoral level)
- an understanding of the difficulties faced by students studying at level 3.

It would be an advantage to have:

- experience of carrying out research with children or young people in education, health, social care, childhood studies or the social sciences
- an understanding of electronic marking schemes for student assignments
- supervised students carrying out research projects at either undergraduate or postgraduate level.

Module related details - a full explanation can be found on the website

Credits awarded to the student for the successful completion of a module: 60

Number of assignments submitted by the student: 4
Method of submission for assignments: 1a
Level of ICT requirements: 2
Number of students likely to be in a standard group: 20
Salary band: 7
Estimated number of hours per teaching week: 6

There may be opportunities for ALs to undertake associated assessment work for which there will be additional payment and about which you will be contacted separately if applicable.