

Module Specification

Module Summary Information

1	Module Title	Exploring Contemporary Perspectives
2	Module Credits	20
3	Module Level	6
4	Module Code	EDU6252

5	Module Overview
<p>In line with the philosophy and aims of the programme, this module will respond to contemporary perspectives and issues affecting children, young people, families and communities. A strong commitment to inclusive values will be reinforced and will empower you to address issues of equality, disadvantage, diversity and social justice to optimise the life chances of children, young people and their families. In line with the learning, teaching and assessment strategy, the module will be interactive, engaging and challenging; designed to promote your independence and confidence to enable you to be an advocate for children, young people and families and an agent for change. The module is highly responsive to changes and developments, and will provide you with an in depth understanding of how issues may impact your work in your chosen field.</p> <p>As final year students we will support you in contributing to the content of the module through following your ideas, interests and drawing upon your networks, and ours, to plan a programme of interactive lectures and discussions that meet your learning needs, areas of interest and expertise. In this way the learning will be centred on you, with tutors being facilitators of your learning. High levels of engagement and responsibility will be required.</p> <p>To summarise you will explore the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What current issues interest you? • What issues are currently affecting children, young people, families and communities? • How do these issues influence the ways in which children, young people, families and communities are viewed? • How might these perspectives impact upon your developing attitudes, values and beliefs, your own philosophy and your future career? 	

6	Indicative Content
The topics on offer will vary according to the contemporary issues at the time (See module overview).	

7	Module Learning Outcomes	
	On successful completion of the module, students will be able to:	
	1	Critically evaluate the factors influencing contemporary issues and perspectives impacting upon children, young people, families and communities.
	2	Synthesise recent research, theory and policies using contemporary issues as a medium.
	3	Reflect on contemporary perspectives, clarify and articulate personal beliefs and values supported by your own research.
	4	Present a balanced argument by drawing on a range of sources which are referenced appropriately using Harvard.

8	Module Assessment		
Learning Outcome			
	Coursework	Exam	In-Person
1, 2, 3, 4	X		

9	Breakdown Learning and Teaching Activities	
Learning Activities		Hours
Scheduled Learning (SL) includes lectures, practical classes and workshops, peer group learning, Graduate+, as specified in timetable		36
Directed Learning (DL) includes placements, work-based learning, external visits, on-line activity, Graduate+, peer learning, as directed on VLE		36
Private Study (PS) includes preparation for exams		128
Total Study Hours:		200