

Programme changes for 2021/2

This document summarises changes in programme structures (the modules that will be taught) and assessment.

Department / School	Department of Education
Programme(s)	PG Cert in Education

Summary of Changes

Assessment

There are no changes to the assessment formats from 2020-2021. We will continue to assess students through a combination of coursework and open, online exams. We do not intend to run closed exams.

There are no significant changes to the programme structure, remaining the same as in non-Covid19 affected years. The 2021-2022 academic calendar has been approved by the Board of Studies (March 2021). Still, contingency measures are in place should Covid19 interfere with school placements again in the Autumn Term and/or PGCE module assignments. Those contingency plans echo what was done during 2020-21.

No changes are made to the PGCE programme. The DfE has made no announcements yet (May 2021) about relaxing ITT criteria in 2021-22, so it is assumed that PSRB compliance will return to normal from 2021-22 with 120 days in school and 2 school placement experiences. PGCE students will therefore be assessed : (i) for QTS - against the Teacher Standards (DfE 2012); and (ii) for their PGCE - against the three validated 20 credit modules for the degree award as usual.