Title of Masters Course

MA SEN, Master's in Special Education Needs

Duration: 1 year 2 months

Course description:

This one year Master's programme focuses on Special Education Needs (SEN) within Europe and beyond. It is conducted by a diverse consortium of European universities: Roehampton University, London (UK), Charles University, Prague (Czech Republic) and Fontys University of Professional Education, Tilburg (the Netherlands). It looks at the identification and definition of SEN, explores relevant legislation and the range of policies affecting them, and leads its students towards a measured consideration of the nature of provision for SEN within the international context of education practice.

The Course aims to develop the capacity of its students to analyse policy, to engage in comparative action research for various levels in education, and to contribute to collaborative exchanges of knowledge, understanding and practice across a range of international contexts.

Students will study in London and Utrecht, or London, Utrecht and Prague, according to their choice of optional modules and dissertation topic. The course is made up of compulsory and elective modules. All students will study research methods, investigate international perspectives in professional educational practice and write a substantial dissertation. Students will also study for one or two modules on the topic of "inclusion", in either the Netherlands or the Czech Republic. Appropriate prior learning may also be accredited in place of one module.

The MA SEN will have a maximum of thirty-nine students annually and a minimum of twelve teaching staff. The programme is delivered and assessed in English. There are also opportunities to learn Dutch or Czech. Students will receive a joint degree from Roehampton University and Charles University Prague (Czech Republic), which is recognised internationally.

Applicants need a good first degree recognised by the Masters consortium in a related field of education and/or relevant professional experience. International students whose first language is not English will need to demonstrate adequate proficiency.

Website:

http://www.roehampton.ac.uk/international/erasmusmundus/

Partners:

Roehampton University, United Kingdom (Co-ordinating Institution) Fontys University for Professional Education, the Netherlands Charles University of Prague, Czech Republic

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