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Start with an open mind and be prepared to have your assumptions challenged and to embrace new ideas and interests.

Rupert Knight, Assistant Professor

Get hands-on experience through work placements
Interactive and inclusive lectures and tutorials
Develop your knowledge with academic experts
Lifelong careers support including CV workshops and interview preparation

8th in the UK for education
QS World University Rankings by Subject 2019.

We are located on the award-winning Jubilee Campus and enjoy strong partnerships with many schools and other organisations locally, nationally and internationally.

200 years of experience in the field of education

100% of undergraduates from the School of Education secured work or further study within six months of graduation

Known destinations of full-time home undergraduates who were available for work 2016/17.
Studying education at Nottingham

Studying the discipline of education includes understanding how people learn throughout their lives and the nature of knowledge, curricula and assessment.

Our BA Education provides an excellent foundation for progressing to PGCE Primary Education. However, learning isn’t confined to the classroom and education graduates don’t all go on to become teachers. In fact, half of those working in the education sector are making a difference in a range of roles, including many you might not have imagined, such as:

- local government
- civil service
- educational organisation bodies
- education in museums and prisons
- charities and NGOs
- community and educational theatre
- educational administration at school and university level
- educational marketing, PR and journalism
- education business and commerce

Employability skills are woven into the programme in each year. The personal and academic development modules will develop self-study and reflection, while the work-based placement opportunities offer you a chance to experience working in an educational environment.

At a glance

- Experienced academic experts who have won awards for the quality of their teaching
- Assessed placements develop your practical skills and enhance your employability
- Lectures and seminars delivered in small groups providing regular and consistent tutor-student contact

Our course

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^ Plus GCSE English and mathematics, 4 (C) or above.

English language requirements
IELTS 6.5 (no less than 6.0 in any element). For details of other English language tests and qualifications we accept, please see nottingham.ac.uk/go/alternativerequirements

Academic English preparation
If you require additional support to take your language skills to the required level, you may be able to attend a presessional course at the Centre for English Language Education, which is accredited by the British Council for the teaching of English in the UK.

Students who successfully complete the presessional course to the required level can progress onto their chosen degree course without retaking IELTS or equivalent. Find out more at nottingham.ac.uk/cele

It was clear to me that the School of Education offers a great learning environment, which is something I am passionate about. There are a wide variety of opportunities, from work experience to social life.

Neethu Jacobs,
BA Education

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BA Education

This multi-disciplinary course examines global educational systems and practices in their wider contexts of psychology, sociology, philosophy, politics and history.

You will engage with debates and develop broad perspectives on issues such as:
- learning modes and behaviours
- the role of established and emerging technologies in teaching and learning
- equality, inclusion and social justice in 21st-century education
- the formation and impact of international education policy
- international education and the impact of globalisation

You will be encouraged to critically examine current educational trends and practices, and to challenge the assumptions that underpin them.

**Year one**
You will begin to study a number of strands that run throughout the degree:
- contemporary debates in education
- education and society
- international education
- learning and teaching

You will also develop academic, career-focused and study skills, through individual meetings with personal tutors, group sessions and assessed work.

**Year two**
Your studies continue to incorporate the central strands of the course through core modules. You can also undertake an assessed work placement either in a school or a wider educational environment. Previous students have completed a placement in primary schools, special schools, a refugee education programme and with Nottingham Forest Youth Team.

You will complete a reflective portfolio using a Placement Module Guidance Booklet, and you will be fully supported by a mentor and your personal tutor. The placement provides an excellent opportunity to develop your understanding of educational theories in a practical setting, and will strengthen your CV.

**Year three**
You will consolidate your learning through core modules, and you will also complete a dissertation on a topic of your choice that explores one of the central strands of the course. This gives you the opportunity to specialise in a particular area of interest and to demonstrate your in-depth knowledge and understanding.

In order to develop a broad perspective on education, throughout each of your years of study you have the opportunity to take up to 20 credits from outside of the school from languages study, Nottingham Open Online Courses (NOOC) or appropriate modules from sociology, politics or psychology.

Modules may change, for example due to curriculum developments. The above list is a sample of typical modules that we offer, not a definitive list. The most up-to-date information can be found on our website at nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy/education

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Small-group lectures and seminars make me feel comfortable to share ideas and participate in group discussions. You receive quality attention from the lecturers who can really get to know you.

Alice Humphrey,
BA Education
Engaging study, incredible results

Our staff are experts in their fields and regularly receive student-nominated awards for the quality of their teaching.

Lectures and seminars are delivered in small groups, providing regular and consistent tutor-student contact.

Your final degree classification will be based on marks gained for your second and subsequent years of study.

Education
You will be taught by expert staff whose research aims to improve global education practices and policy. This course is assessed through essays, exams and presentations, as well as reflective portfolios, creative responses and the practical design of learning tools.

Placements
Completing a placement as part of your studies allows you to gain practical experience in your chosen field and enhance your employability.

With BA Education, you can undertake an assessed placement in a wider education setting, such as museums, galleries, NGOs, and social services. If you are interested in teaching, there is the option of a school-based placement.
Outstanding careers support

Our courses will help you develop a wide range of transferable skills, knowledge and understanding.

Education
Our BA Education course provides an excellent foundation for a career in numerous sectors. You will build a broad theoretical and practical understanding of research methods suitable for entering the field of educational research.

Personal and academic development modules will also enhance your self-study and reflection skills, while placement opportunities offer you the chance to put your learning into practice in an educational environment.

Potential BA Education graduate destinations:
- Civil service
- Education in museums and prisons
- Charities and NGOs
- Community and educational theatre
- Educational marketing, PR and journalism
- Primary school teaching (subsequent to gaining Qualified Teacher Status)
- Educational policy development
- Social services

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£16,000 was the average starting salary**

Amplify your potential
Whether you already have a plan or need some inspiration, your Careers and Employability Service is here to help.

Academic excellence and employability go hand in hand at Nottingham. Your course, and the diverse student experiences we offer, will enable you to develop the skills and professional competencies required to thrive in the job market of the future.

We will help you explore your options, so you feel confident making choices about what you want to achieve. Our team will support you as you build your CV, search for jobs, prepare applications, practise your interview technique, and much more.

Get the Advantage
The career-enhancing Nottingham Advantage Award recognises and rewards your extracurricular activities. With a choice of over 200 modules, you can hone the key skills employers are looking for.

From developing your leadership skills and learning a language to public speaking and volunteering, you will leave university with demonstrable experience that sets you apart from other graduates. For further information, visit nottingham.ac.uk/careers/advantage

** Known destinations of full-time home undergraduates who were available for work 2016/17. Salaries are calculated based on the median of those in full-time paid employment within the UK.
How to apply

All applications for full-time undergraduate study at Nottingham, including applications by international students, must be made through UCAS.

You can apply online at ucas.com and will be notified of decisions through UCAS Track.

Your personal statement
This is the section of your UCAS form that tells us most about you, and you should make the best use of it. Be as specific and detailed as you can – we would like to see that you are a student who can work hard, be self-motivated and make the best possible use of the opportunities that our courses offer you. We would also like to hear about any skills you have gained through extracurricular activities.

Minimum entry requirements
Unless otherwise stated in individual course profiles, all UK applicants should have GCSE English grade 4 (C) as a minimum.

Alternative qualifications
In this brochure you will find our A level and International Baccalaureate entry requirements but we accept a much broader range of qualifications. For more details, visit nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy/applying

Flexible admissions policy
In recognition of our applicants’ varied experience and educational pathways, we employ a flexible admissions policy. If we judge that your situation has adversely affected your achievement, then we will consider this when assessing your academic potential.

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Some courses may make a slightly lower offer. For more information about this policy, see nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy/applying

Mature applicants
We encourage applications from mature students, who are defined as 21 years old and over. You should apply through UCAS. Find out more at nottingham.ac.uk/mature

International applicants
The University provides a range of information and advice for international applicants. If you are unable to attend an open day, we can meet you in your country at one of our overseas events or arrange an individual visit to the University. For further information please visit nottingham.ac.uk/international

Deferred entry
Applicants who wish to defer their entry by a year will not be at a disadvantage. Please tell us something about your plans for your gap year in your UCAS personal statement.

Equal opportunities policy
The University aims to create the conditions whereby students and staff are treated solely on the basis of their merits, abilities and potential, regardless of gender, race, colour, nationality, ethnic or national origin, age, socio-economic background, disability, religious or political beliefs, trade union membership, family circumstances, sexual orientation or other irrelevant distinction.

If you wish to declare a disability, please ensure that you have ticked the appropriate box on your UCAS application form. Disclosure of this information will not affect your application.

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In 2020/21 the University will provide a generous bursary scheme to support lower-income students. For details see nottingham.ac.uk/financialsupport
* To eligible home fee status students.
This brochure has been drafted in advance of the academic year to which it applies. Every effort has been made to ensure that the information contained in this brochure is accurate at the time of publishing, but changes (for example to course content) are likely to occur given the interval between publication and commencement of the course. It is therefore very important to check our website for any updates before you apply for the course by following nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy. Where there is a difference between the contents of this brochure and our website, the contents of the website take precedence.