

Primary Education with Gaelic (Learners) (5 years)

University of Edinburgh

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Content

This MA Primary Education with Gaelic (Learners) prepares you to teach the full range of the pre-school and primary curriculum for children through the medium of Gaelic, as well as in English.

The Gaelic language is a vital part of Scotland's heritage, national identity and cultural life. As an official language of Scotland, Gaelic influences and shapes Scottish literature, music, art, film and TV, festivals and, of course, education.

Year 1:

You will study Primary Studies, Primary Literacies, Educational Studies and Gaelic 1A or 1B. Primary education courses include placements in schools.

Year 2:

You will study Primary Studies, Educational Studies, Gaelic 2A or 2B (these courses include further practical language work, as well as the study of Scottish Gaelic history and literature), Linguistics and the Gaelic Language and Mathematics in Primary Education. Primary education courses include placements in schools.

Year 3:

You will spend a year at Sabhal Mòr Ostaig on the Isle of Skye, focusing on developing your Gaelic. You will complete An Cùrsa Comais, an intensive language learning course designed for intermediate level learners whose aim is to become fluent in Gaelic.

Year 4:

You will undertake a year-long school placement which includes extensive experience of both Gaelic-medium and English-medium primary education.

You will experience a range of school stages and will develop professional skills and abilities to prepare for your induction year.

You will also study 20 credits each of primary studies and Education and Gaelic in Scotland during the year, coming back in to the University on specific weeks for classes.

Year 5:

You will study primary studies, educational studies (including a dissertation) and Theory and Pedagogy of Immersion and Bilingual Education.

You will select an option from a suite of courses within the School of Education. Primary education courses include

placements in schools.

Start Date

September

Qualification

Degree

Study Method

Full time

Award Title

MA Hons

UCAS Code

3R67

Course Length

5 years

Faculty

College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

Department

Moray House School of Education and Sport

Entry Requirements

2026 entry requirements

Standard entry:

4 Highers at ABBB (first sitting) or 4 or 5 Highers at ABBB/ABBBB (two sittings) including English plus Maths or Applications of Maths and a language other than English at National 5 at C.

Widening access entry:

4 Highers at ABBB (two sittings) including English plus Maths or Applications of Maths and a language other than English at National 5 at C. Highers at BBB must be achieved in one sitting.

SCQF Level

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