

Multi-professional Support for Learning and Assessment in Practice (previously Preparation for Mentorship)

Level 6 – 20 credits

Non-credit bearing option

Who is it for?

Any qualified healthcare professional who is supporting students or others to learn in practice.

Course unit Aims:

This unit will introduce you to the principles and processes that provide a systematic understanding of the fundamental elements of supporting learners in practice. This is underpinned by a critical approach to teaching, learning and assessment across eight learning domains(standards).

How is it delivered?

The Multi-professional Support for Learning and Assessment in Practice (Preparation for Mentorship) course unit is offered frequently throughout the year, at levels; Non-credit bearing, Level 6 - Undergraduate (Degree) or Level 7 (postgraduate). For further information on Level 7 please visit <http://www.nursing.manchester.ac.uk/postgraduate/cpd/modules/>

Non-credit bearing and Undergraduate provision can be accessed entirely on-line or via a blended learning approach. The blended approach comprises four taught days and three on-line study days.

Key benefits

- During the course unit you will develop your ability to support learning and assessment of students in your practice setting.
- The course unit can be studied for continuing professional development or as part of the Degree Programme.
- The course unit also recognises and integrates the Health Care Professions Council Standards (2012) and prepares AHP and Health Scientists for this role.
- The course unit provides the opportunity to learn interprofessionally and explore the benefits of multiprofessional mentorship(dependent on cohort composition)
- Nurses And Midwives who successfully complete the course unit and who have been qualified 12 months will have met the Nursing and Midwifery Council requirements for mentors.

What will I learn?

You will consider the theory and practice of supporting learning, developing the practice learning environment and assessing practical achievement.

How is the course assessed?

Non-credit bearing

1. A Practice Assessment Document which comprises all eight standards as defined by the NMC (2008) Standards to support Learning and Assessment in Practice and incorporates the HCPC Standards (2012). You must demonstrate achievement of all eight standards in practice assessed by a qualified mentor and graded on a pass/fail basis.

Level 6 - Undergraduate (Degree)

There are two components to the assessment:

1. A Practice Assessment Document which comprises all eight standards as defined by the NMC (2008) Standards to support Learning and Assessment in Practice and incorporates the HCPC Standards (2012). You must demonstrate achievement of all eight standards in practice assessed by a qualified mentor and graded on a pass/fail basis.
2. A 1.500word reflective account on the experience of becoming a competent mentor/educator linked to a specific standard.

Attendance

There are two versions of this course unit:

1. Blended learning (Non-credit bearing/L6 -Undergraduate(degree) A 15 week unit, normally 4 taught days, plus 3 on-line days which will require you to access resource materials and contribute to on-line activities. The on-line days will be moderated by the unit leaders.
2. E-learning (Non-credit bearing/ L6 –Undergraduate (degree) A 15 week Unit. All the content, activities and resource materials are online and can be accessed from any computer with internet access.

For study dates, please see the Course Schedule at www.nursing.manchester.ac.uk/undergraduate/cpd/

Dates of next intakes

Blended learning:-

September 2015	Level 6 or Non-credit bearing option
November 2015	Level 6 or Non-credit bearing option
January 2016	Level 6 or Non-credit bearing option
March 2016	Level 6 or Non-credit bearing option

E-Learning

September 2015	Level 6 or Non-credit bearing option
March 2016	Level 6 or Non-credit bearing option

NB. Course unit availability will be subject to minimum numbers.

Funding

Funding for the programme or individual course units may be available through the CPD Service Level Agreement (SLA) for staff working in the NHS in Greater Manchester (and in the case of some course units the wider North West). To

access SLA funding each course unit must be approved by an authorised SLA signatory on an individual basis. For more information applicants should contact the Education and Training lead within their organization or Practice educator/ equivalent.

If you are not eligible for CPD SLA funding you may also apply with employer sponsorship or self-funding. The home fee for 2015-2016 will be £1080 for Level 6 and Non-credit bearing option.

How do I apply?

Applications should be received by the University at least eight weeks before the preferred intake.

If you are being funded by Service Level Agreement, please contact your Trust and then apply online at www.cpd-applynw.nhs.uk

- **Pre-requisites**

- Must be qualified for 12 months before undertaking the course unit(Nurses and Midwives)
- Must have access to a qualified mentor/educator to support/assess the practice component of the course unit
- Must have access to a learner/student in order to complete the Practice Assessment Document.(PAD)
- Must be registered with the NMC, HCPC or other professional body. If professional registration is not appropriate, applicants must have achieved GCSE English at Grade C or above or equivalent.
- For level 6 applications must have successfully studied at Level 5

- **HEI Additional Information/Personal Statement**

- should include details of your current post and your role and any previous study at level 5 and 6
- outline the reasons why you wish to undertake this course unit.

If you are not being funded by SLA, above pre-requisites also apply. Please send a completed CPD Application Form for stand-alone applications or a Funding and Support Confirmation Form for continuing degree students only to CPD Admissions Office, Jean McFarlane Building, The University of Manchester, Oxford Road, Manchester, M13 9PL or e-mail to conted.nursing@manchester.ac.uk

Application forms and Funding and support confirmation forms (continuing degree students) are available from: www.nursing.manchester.ac.uk/undergraduate/cpd
For other information, please telephone the Admissions Office on 0161 306 7604 or email conted.nursing@manchester.ac.uk